

**A TITLE 1 SCHOOL WITH A MISSION!
RHES - REAIZING HIGH EXPECTATIONS
FOR ALL STUDENTS**



Ruth Hill Elementary School

Home of the SOARing Eagles!

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Comprehensive Needs Assessment

Every year, a comprehensive needs assessment of the entire school program is conducted. Administrators and certified staff members are involved in creating a comprehensive school improvement plan from test and demographic data collected for the state. Our plan includes the following focus goals for 2008-2009:

1. Improve reading scores
2. Improve math scores
3. Continue to show gain in writing scores

Instruction by Highly Qualified Teachers

In compliance with state and federal regulations, **RHES** works diligently to hire and sustain Highly Qualified teachers. Levels of degrees vary among our staff members varying teaching experience from 30 years to first year teachers. In compliance with current law, all Ruth Hill paraprofessionals have either taken the state assessment or the required post-secondary course work.

Schoolwide Reform Strategies

In order to meet the state's proficient and advanced levels of student academic achievement, **RHES** uses the following reform strategies:

1. Increased use of technology
2. Parent Involvement Trainings & Activities
3. Character Education Program
4. School-wide Discipline Plan (Limiting & Directing)
5. Hands-On Learning
6. During-Day and Extended Day Enrichment & Remediation
7. Professional Development for Teachers
8. Additional certified & classified personnel

Parental Involvement

RHES provides an active parental involvement program. A continuing goal has been to seek way to increase parental involvement and two-way communication. Some of those strategies are:

1. Active Parental Involvement Committee
2. Use of Teacher/Student/Parent Compact
3. Parent Training Sessions (ie. PASSport)
4. PTO and Academic Nights
5. Monthly PTO Board Meetings
6. Four or more School Council Meetings/year
7. School newsletters
8. Weekly SOAR Reports
9. Daily communication in Agendas
10. Parent Involvement Bulletin Board in lobby
11. School marquee providing calendar events
12. Active Social Worker