



SCHOOL ACCREDITATION UPDATE

Ashurst Elementary School
4320 Dulaney Road
Quantico, Virginia 22134

October 6, 2008

NEWS YOU CAN USE!

Dates for the School Improvement Plan meetings:

Wednesday, Oct. 15,
2008 at 3:30pm.

All meetings will be held in the AES Media Center. Your attendance is valued.

Great Changes Have Taken Place!

Former AES P.E. teacher AH completed the mural in the Kindergarten wing.

PEA provided additional landscaping, together with new mulch for all playground areas.

New Pre-K playground equipment was purchased.

The faculty and staff of Ashurst Elementary School have been working hard to meet the needs of our students. In conjunction with the recommended “next steps” of our accreditation agency, AdvancED (www.advanc-ed.org) we have developed two goals focusing on highest student achievement in our pursuit of continuous school improvement over the next five years.

These goals are:

1. All students will improve their written communications across the curricula.
2. All students will improve their higher level thinking skills across the curricula.

We have been meeting regularly to discuss these goals. We have refined the teaching strategies used with Goal 1 to facilitate further student achievement. We have determined the teaching strategies required to facilitate student achievement for Goal 2. We have implemented an assessment across all grade levels for Goal 2 and the results of this assessment will become our “baseline data.” We will continue to pursue teaching excellence as we collect and analyze data and implement changes necessary to improve student achievement.

Parents Are Always Welcome

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Communication Committee Chairperson

Parent involvement is essential to the improvement process. We shall continue to have regularly scheduled meetings to examine and develop our School Improvement Plan. Your attendance at any or all of these meetings would be very welcomed. We will be announcing the dates of these meetings on the school calendar, AES website http://www.am.dodea.edu/ny_va/quantico/ashurst/, as well as school newsletters.
