Fruitdale Elementary School

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Dear Board,

This has been an excellent year at Fruitdale Elementary School. I am proud of the hard work from the students, staff and parents. Below are some of the reasons in which I am proud to be a Fruitdale Panther:

Academics

This year we continued our enrichment system for all 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students for math. We also implemented a similar system for our primary grades. Teacher met every six weeks to analyze data and used it systematically plan intervention and enrichment needs of every student. On top of the guaranteed 60 minutes of math instruction daily, our students received an additional 30 minutes of intense instruction at their ability level. We learned a lot about the analysis of data as well as student learning. Our math scores on the state assessment exceeded both the district average as well as the state average at all three levels. We are very proud of our students' progress in math overall.

Our reading scores are holding steady. We have begun our work with the implementation of RTI and are looking forward to creating a system to analyze data similar to what we do in math. We are also very excited to dive into our new reading materials.

As the end of this year approaches, we have been working together on next year's schedule. Our priority is ensuring 60 minutes of protected instructional time for all students in math. In addition we are continuing to implement an extra 30 minutes of instruction math intervention or enrichment, depending on the needs of our students. In reading, we are planning on moving to 90 minute reading blocks at every grade level. We will also provide and extra 30 minutes of intervention or enrichment based on the needs of our students.

We witnessed so much success with student growth this year and we are excited to continue down this path. Next year will be even better.

Staff

We would not be able to do what we do without the support of the Fruitdale Staff. I am so impressed with the ability for all adults to collaborate on this campus and work together to best serve our students. The professionalism and cooperation are next to none. It truly is an honor to work with all of the individuals in this building.

I am looking forward to next school year and its new challenges.

Sincerely,

Heather Yount Principal Fruitdale Elementary School