

## Points of Pride

- ♦ **Franktown Elementary volunteers** logged 4,530.55 hours of volunteer time during the 2007-2008 school year.
- ♦ **Franktown Elementary facilities are used by our community** on a regular basis throughout the entire year.
- ♦ **We have both before and after school activities** to enhance student learning. Activities include, but are not limited to: Choir, Science and Physical Education Enrichment.
- ♦ **Wireless technology throughout the building** and multiple ports in each classroom provide access to the Internet.
- ♦ **Our outstanding and active Parent Teacher Organization** has provided their continuous support to our teachers and classrooms, including the purchase of document cameras for every teacher to use with their MacBook Computer and LCD projectors to enhance instruction in the classroom.
- ♦ **A half-time Gifted and Talented Coordinator is available** to assist teachers in addressing the needs of our advanced learners.
- ♦ **Reading Recovery support** for first grade students reading below grade level and other literacy support for struggling readers in other grade levels.

## About Our District

Douglas County School District is the third largest school district in Colorado and we remain one of the highest achieving and fastest growing districts in Colorado.

Superintendent Jim Christensen and the Board of Education attribute this continued success to a focus on students. Engaged parents, outstanding teachers and staff contribute greatly to student learning in our District. Our Vision is to help students acquire the knowledge and abilities to become responsible citizens who contribute to society.

In addition to the information found in this school report, state-required accountability and accreditation information is also available in the Colorado Department of Education's "ONE REPORT," linked to the District web site at [www.dcsdk12.org](http://www.dcsdk12.org). Or, send an email to [communications@dcsdk12.org](mailto:communications@dcsdk12.org) for additional information.

We have outstanding students in our District who go far beyond what required reports can tell us. We celebrate their successes daily. Thank you for being part of our school community!

### School Mission Statement

We are committed to creating a learning community that knows no limits with respect to the success of the whole child. Therefore, all students at Franktown Elementary will meet or exceed their proficiency levels in order to reach their full potential.

## Franktown Elementary School



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## Principal's Perspective

Franktown Elementary School (FES) continues to be a great school with amazing students, incredible staff and fantastic parents. Even though groups of students change every year and the gifts those students bring to our school change, we continue to have a common thread of great kids in an amazing community. And, while a few people on our staff change every year, we are absolutely committed to recruiting and retaining the most talented people to work with the children of our community.

As noted in "Points of Pride," our community continues to offer our school the unprecedented gift of their time. Our volunteers accumulated 4,530.55 hours of volunteer work at FES during the 2007-08 school year.

Through the collective efforts of all the above-mentioned groups, we have been able to be, and will continue to be, a great place for children to think and learn. We will continue to focus on every child striving to fulfill their potential. Focusing on each and every child addresses the needs of every learner — the many children who are achieving above grade level, as well as those who are below grade level. To best meet the learning needs of each and every child, it is imperative that our staff assess, plan and teach to the learning needs of each learner. At FES, each student helps in the creation of their learning goals and in tracking their progress to assist in building ownership of their own learning and thinking.

We will continue to strive to be a community of high-performing learners, both as adults who lead our classrooms and maintain our schools, and as children who enthusiastically focus on thinking every day. Our collective commitment to this process is what makes us a great school.

*Mark Harrell*

Principal

## Goals and Measures

### 2007-08 Progress Toward Student Learning Standards

- Students will communicate comprehension of fiction text by writing clear and concise paragraph(s) with grade appropriate conventions.

*During the 2007-08 school year our school increased the number of children writing at or above grade level by 5%.*

- Create a safe environment that recognizes and promotes kindness and respect through fair expectations for all.

*During the 2007-08 school year our students were recognized for over 10,000 acts of kindness or respect.*

### CSAP – Spring 2008 Results

#### Percentage of Students Proficient or Advanced

	3rd	4th	5th	6th
Reading	73	93	82	91
Writing	62	90	73	84
Math	91	88	68	86

Based on our review of this academic performance data and data we collected from our stakeholders, we have selected three goal areas to work on improving.

### Goals for our school during the 2008-09 school year

- By May 5, 2009 our school will achieve 85% proficiency on the 3rd Trimester EPR for Math Standard 2 Algebra.
- On the May 2009 survey data we will achieve 80% compliance in behavior expectations defined, expectations taught.
- Students will be recognized for outstanding academic performance.