



ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

- Green Squad Environmental Club
- Chorus
- Multicultural Committee
- Orff Ensemble
- Recorder Club
- Safety Patrol
- Student Council

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS

- Parent Teacher Association (PTA)
- School Advisory Council (SAC)
- Business partnerships
- Annual Carnival
- Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Music Program
- Spring Concert in the park

SCHOOL MISSION

The mission of Westgate Elementary is to provide an environment in which learners will continue to succeed through quality teaching.



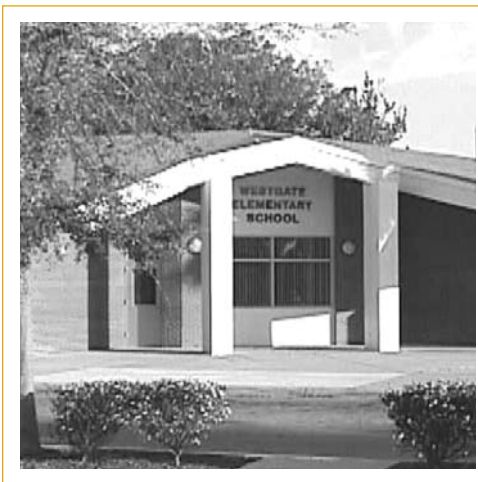
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Westgate

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2009-2010



Give It Your Best!

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QUICK facts

Principal: Cara Walsh

Grade Levels: K-5

Enrollment: 682

School Hours: 8:35 a.m.-2:50 p.m. (Early release on Wednesdays – 8:35 a.m.-1:35 p.m.)

Attractor/focus: Creating lifelong learners who are high achievers

Uniforms: No

Before/after-school care: YMCA, 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; Phone: 895-9622

Average Class Size: The class-size reduction amendment requires that each elementary school have a primary grades (K-3) average of 18:1 and an intermediate grades (4-5) average of 22:1. These averages include all programs providing services to students in each school.

Teaching Staff: Approximately 45 percent of faculty members have advanced degrees.

Exceptional Student Education:

Full time: Emotional Behavior Disorder, grades 1-5 (EBD)

Part time: Varying Exceptionalities (VE), Speech Impaired (SI), Language Impaired (LI), Deaf/Hard of Hearing (DHH), Visually Impaired (VI), Occupational Therapy (OT), Physical Therapy (PT) and Gifted

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Program: Yes

Academic Information: Visit www.pinellas.k12.fl.us/schools

Computers and Technology: State-of-the-art computer lab and multiple computers in every classroom with Internet connection

SCHOOL BACKGROUND

Westgate is a school of approximately 560 students and a staff of 93 people including administrative, support and teaching personnel. A commitment to provide a quality education for every student distinguishes Westgate Elementary. The community and the staff of Westgate work together so students can succeed. The school's commitment to a quality curriculum has been recognized with many awards and honors. The highly trained staff includes National Board-certified teachers and compares favorably with any staff nationwide.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

- Enthusiastic, highly trained staff including six National Board-certified teachers
- Nearly half of our staff members hold master's degrees.
- Student-run TV studio
- Strong volunteer program, active Parent Teacher Association (PTA) and School Advisory Council (SAC) with many annual events
- Open-door policy, parent-friendly atmosphere
- 2008 Florida School Recognition Award
- 2008 & 2009 Top Apple Award

POINTS OF PRIDE

- School Grade A
- State of Florida Golden School Award for outstanding community involvement programs
- Frequent Educational Media Awards (EMA) winners
- District Music Teacher of the Year

CURRICULUM

- Subjects include math, reading, language arts, science, health and social studies
- Physical education daily
- Extra subjects on a weekly basis – art and music
- Self-contained classroom format
- Gifted education for eligible students
- Library Information Center
- Character education
- Computer lab

SPECIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

- Title I schoolwide support
- Closed-circuit television programming
- DOORWAYS scholarships
- Students Targeted for Achievement, Recognition and Success (STARS)
- Behavior Specialist