



# DALE R. FAIR BABSON PARK ELEMENTARY

Making a Difference Today for a  
Better World Tomorrow!

**“Intelligence plus character-that is the goal of true education.” - Martin Luther King Jr.**

**5 Star School for 17 Consecutive Years  
High Performing Charter School Status (Florida Department of Education)**

## **MISSION & VISION**

At Dale R. Fair Babson Park Elementary our mission statement is “Making a Difference Today for a Better World Tomorrow”. Our vision is centered around instructional goals that are designed to challenge the curiosity of each student and provide an opportunity to discover, enrich, and expand his/her abilities, interests, values, attitudes, understanding and the skills appropriate to his/her needs and level of development. We feel that these goals can be achieved through doing, exploring, discovering, and creating. The purpose and responsibility of our elementary school is to help a student learn how to think rather than what to think. Believing that all students can learn, we accept the responsibility to provide an educational program characterized by the following.

- Safe and secure learning environment
- Comprehensive, challenging and relevant curriculum
- Accurate and meaningful assessments
- Accountability for results
- Information technology systems that advance teaching & learning
- Innovative approaches to scheduling, staffing and use of resources
- High-performing and inspiring employees committed to professional development, training and lifelong learning
- High academic standards for all
- Effective and engaging instructional strategies
- Culture of continuous quality improvement
- Productive community and parental partnerships
- Behavioral standards that are conducive to teaching & learning
- Partnerships between home & school focusing on communication

## **FAMILY INVOLVEMENT**

At Dale R. Fair Babson Park Elementary we pride ourselves in being a learning family. We realize how important it is for parents, teachers and community to work together to educate and care for our children. Research tells us that family support is more important than any other factor in determining a child’s success in school. It is our desire to enhance parental support by providing the following opportunities for family involvement at Dale R Fair Babson Park Elementary.

Parent Workshop Nights

Parent/Teacher Conferences

PTO Newsletter and Calendar

Parent Input Surveys & Questionnaires

Bimonthly Family Library Checkout Nights

Holiday Assistance Program

Bring Your Parent to School Days

Weekly Communication Reports

School Advisory Council (SAC)

K Support Program

Volunteer Program

All Pro Dad’s

Annual PTO Breakfast with Santa

Annual PTO Fall Carnival

Family Handbook and Compact

PTO Meetings and Programs

Annual Family Picnic

Mentoring Program

## **ACADEMICS/ACTIVITIES**

The teachers and staff at Dale R. Fair Babson Park Elementary work to meet the needs of each student regardless of their socioeconomic status or academic performance.

**Reading:** Culyer Reading Strategies are research-based practices that are successful across the entire spectrum of the school from Kindergarten thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade including ESE students. We also provide free tutoring for struggling students in reading and math.

**Math:** Our math curriculum is a seamless compilation of the Go Math, Ten Marks, Rocket Math and Acaletics Programs.

**Technology:** Our students benefit from many digital opportunities such as: keyboarding program, Edusmart, Ten Marks, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> individual student iPads. Every classroom also has iPads for student use, promethean boards, Activslates, access to Activotes and various other technology tools.

**Clubs/Groups:** 5<sup>th</sup> Grade A Team, School-Wide Chess Club, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Book Club, Gnat Chorus, PRIDE Team, Strings Classes, PE Clubs

**After School Care Program:** Students have the opportunity to enroll in our afterschool care program and will have available to them indoor/outdoor play, snacks, music, and help with homework. Our goal is to offer a fun and developmentally sound program for elementary age students at a price that parents can afford.

**The uniqueness of Dale R. Fair Babson Park Elementary is not credited to programs, activities or the latest and greatest phases. However, its foundation is time-proven, research based practices that foster independent learners with a solid academic future.**