



# Forts Pond Elementary School

LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

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**Principal:** Michelle L. Smith

**Assistant Principals:** Jason Lehmann and Stephanie Taylor

**Grades Served:** 4K–5

**Student Enrollment:** 550

*Fulfill the Potential  
of Every Child*

*Leader in Me  
Lighthouse School*

*Empower each child to design the future.*

Forts Pond Elementary School's (FPES) vision is "Forts Pond Elementary students will become self-directed, collaborative, creative and caring learners who flourish in the global, competitive 21st century." The mission of FPES is to fulfill the potential of every student by collaborating with families and the community; providing a safe, nurturing environment; promoting learning through academics and the arts; inspiring students to find their own greatness; engaging students in goal setting; celebrating accomplishments; and developing LEADERS.

**All students, regardless of circumstances, advance on time, prepared to graduate and ready to enter college, the military or industry with certification.**

**FPES is committed to:**

- Increase the percentage of students who are progressing on-time with the requisite skills for success at their current grade levels.
- Implement strategies to improve equity in high-level coursework.
- Implement strategies to improve performance in high-level coursework.
- Improve the conditions that lead to student success by utilizing a system of advocacy for each child that facilitates healthy social and emotional growth.

**Teaching and learning develop power skills in all students.**

**FPES supports this commitment by:**

- Implementing strategies to improve equity in high-level coursework.
- Improving the conditions that lead to student success by utilizing a system of advocacy for each child that facilitates healthy social and emotional growth.

**Our schools are service-oriented centers of learning, committed to family and community partnerships.**

**FPES continually implements strategies to improve:**

- customer service
- parent engagement.
- community involvement.

**Every adult will be equipped with the skills and resources necessary to advocate for and ensure the success of all students.**

**FPES will continue to:**

- Improve the conditions that lead to student success by utilizing a system of advocacy for each child that facilitates healthy social and emotional growth.
- Increase opportunities for personnel to participate in collaborative professional learning opportunities that impact student achievement.