



# New Providence Elementary School

LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

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**Principal:** Robert Candillo

**Assistant Principals:** Andrew Brooks and Rebecca Matthews

**Grades Served:** K–5

**Student Enrollment:** 675

**New Providence Elementary School is a computer science immersion school.**

## *Empower each child to design the future.*

The mission of New Providence Elementary is to create a safe, nurturing, high performance learning culture of excellence where students will acquire 21st Century learning experiences in the arts, academics, leadership, and global citizenship.

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

Students at New Providence Elementary acquire 21st Century computer science experience through our partnership with Code to the Future along with a comprehensive education in the arts, academics, leadership, and global citizenship. We take a systematic approach to ensure each student receives the instruction, support, and interventions to promote their academic and behavioral success using authentic data and innovative strategies. Every student will leave New Providence prepared for multiple college and career readiness pathways.

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

At NPES, we have aligned eight Power Skills (accountability, communication, interpersonal skills, perseverance, integrity, collaboration, critical thinking, and willingness to take risks) with our study of the five Lifelong Guidelines and nineteen LIFESKILLS found in Sue Pearson's book *Tools for Citizenship & Life*. Students and classes are rewarded for demonstration of these character traits using a comprehensive schoolwide character initiative (Character Compass weekly badge challenges and Lion Leadership Rallies). Through our focus on Power Skills, LIFESKILLS and Lifelong Guidelines, we will equip our children with tools for success.

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

NPES is a service oriented center of learning, empowering students through building strong community partnerships

and relationships with families. This system commitment is accomplished through parent involvement and community collaboration projects like Parent University workshops and career awareness activities. We empower students through partnerships with local churches providing individual student support. Mentors for individual students are an important resource in supporting the whole child. All grade levels participate in service learning projects to support local and national charitable agencies. In addition, we coordinate with our district social workers to build positive relationships and assist families in need. Having established family and community partnerships helps us empower students to be creative and enriched young people who will design their future.

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

NPES believes that relationships are the heart of a positive school culture. Each student has a structure of advocacy that supports them on their educational journey by building and maintaining caring and healthy relationships. The staff at New Providence continuously develops our professional skill set and intentionally collaborates to meet the needs of the whole child. Additionally, students are afforded opportunities to forge relationships with one another by participating in various collaborative efforts that encourage risk taking, critical thinking, and the perseverance necessary to achieve a desired outcome. At NPES, advocacy and relationships matter.