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Pelican is a school dedicated to our students. Here you will find staff who work very hard to make positive connections with all students. This starts with welcoming students at the beginning of each day and then finding ways to connect passing in the halls and within the classrooms. We believe that if students have positive connections with caring adults, they will want to do their best work and be their best selves. These relationships guide our work.

Pelican teachers incorporate instructional best practices in their teaching. Pelican is an AVID certified school and we are trained in explicit instruction. Pelican is also extremely fortunate to have an outstanding instructional coach. Our instructional coach observes teachers, takes data, gives constructive feedback, mentors, models lessons, and does learning walks with teachers to improve instructional practices. Our teachers teach one another and share best practices with one another so we continue to grow. The better we become, the better our students become.

Our staff work hard to instill a growth mindset for all students. We understand that the high expectations we have for our students in both academics and behaviors can be challenging. With these high expectations, our students will be successful and will make mistakes, both are totally okay. We want our students to learn from their mistakes, just as we do...and use that learning to do better.

Pelican has a small school feel which we hold tightly. We work just as hard to build positive relationships with our families as we do with our students. This was true when I was a teacher at Pelican and something I wanted to carry on as principal. I am honored to have the opportunity to lead a school with such persevering students, an extremely dedicated staff, and a supportive school community.

It's a great day to be a Pirate!

Mrs. Michelle McCabe
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