

## Watauga Elementary School “Where Everyone Succeeds”

Watauga Elementary School (WES) is a public elementary school, located in a rural community approximately four miles from the town of Abingdon in Washington County, Virginia. WES has high expectations for all students resulting in a faculty who consistently provides both small group and individualized instruction to ensure student success. Watauga’s faculty and staff truly represent a team approach to student learning and achievement, and this approach continues to benefit all Watauga students. Our students are active, engaged, and motivated learners who participate in academic and extracurricular activities. The WES PTA and all school stakeholders play a progressive role in the school by hosting many student-centered and family night events. WES encourages the development of the whole child by participation in service learning projects and other community outreach programs. The curriculum contains the core areas of English, math, science, and social studies based on the Virginia Standards of Learning (SOL). Instruction is centered on high expectations and the belief that every child can learn. Staff members recognize that professional development is an essential factor in meeting the needs of all students. Teachers participate in professional development activities throughout the school year and in the summer months. WES provides a welcoming, positive environment with a focus on meeting the needs of every student. Our goal is for students to leave elementary school with a strong academic foundation, a sense of community pride, and fond memories of their elementary school years.