

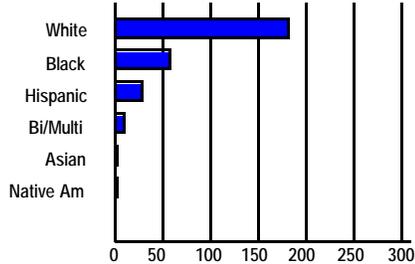


**Department of Defense Education Activity  
Herbert J. Dexter Elementary School (PK-5)  
1996/97 School Profile**

*Vicki P. Rogers, Principal*

**School Characteristics**

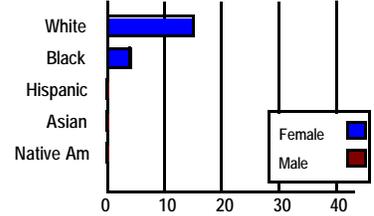
**Student Enrollment - 349**



Grade	#
PreK	59
K	54
1	53
2	57
3	47
4	43
5	36
<b>Total</b>	<b>349</b>

Sponsor Affiliation	
Marine	0%
Army	99%
Navy	0%
Air Force	1%
Coast Guard	0%
Non-US Military	0%
US Civilians	0%
Non-US Civilians	0%

**Professional Staffing**



Special Programs			
Grade Offered	Program	#	%
PK-12	Special Education	18	5%
PK-12	TAG	44	13%
PK-12	ESL	N/A	N/A
AP Courses Offered		N/A	
Students Taking AP Courses		N/A	N/A

Teacher Experience	
Years	Teachers
New	0
1-3	0
4-6	0
7-10	5
> 10	8

**Mobility Rate**  
65% Per Year

School Staff	
Category	FTE
Administrators	1
Classroom Teachers	14
Special Education	0
Other Professionals	4

Teacher Education	
Degree	% Teachers
BA/BS	11%
MA/MS	89%
Doctorate	0%

**Principal's Highlights**

Working together toward tomorrow is the mission of stakeholders of Herbert J. Dexter School. Dexter, a School of Excellence, is a 21st Century classroom facility with a media center, cafeteria and a greenhouse complex.

Technology continues to be in the forefront as a tool for learning. Galaxy Network Distance Learning found students interacting with others around the country about math, science, and language arts via fax machines. Students' writings and achievements were published on Galaxy Network and featured on Galaxy's nationally televised program.

A Dexter teacher was named Georgia's Science Teacher of the Year, receiving accolades for innovative use of technology in the teaching of science.

Our kindergarten ecology club gleaned top honors in state competition and the sponsor was named Georgia's Woman of the Year. Their recycling marathon netted 15,550 plastic lids in 12 colors, all of which were recycled into their hands-on math program. Because of these determined 5-year-old ecologists, the Dexter community has become environmentally-conscious.

**DoDEA Strategic Plan: School Improvement Implementation  
School Year 96/97 Priorities**

**Goal 3: Student Achievement And Citizenship**

*Benchmark 3.10: Demonstrate student technological proficiency.....*

Proficiency in technology was increased through implementation of Galaxy Network Distance Learning. Keyboarding skills were introduced at all grade levels and fully implemented in grades 1, 4, and 5. Continued use of the internet, CD ROM, and computer programs served to integrate technology across the curriculum.

**Goal 4: Math And Science Achievement**

*Benchmark 4.3: Increase student proficiency in math and science.....*

Instructional strategies focusing on problem solving and the implementation of teacher made computation pre/post tests improved math skills. Results of the ITBS indicated students in grades 1-5 overall showed an 8% increase in math computation and problem solving.

**Goal 7: Teacher Education and Professional Development**

*Benchmark 7.1: Provide professional development structure for educators.....*

There was 100% participation in site-based staff development courses. Based on the needs assessment, courses offered were in support of technology, math and science. Evaluation feedback indicated that the most successful courses were those taught by faculty members, as well as monthly sessions where teachers shared their areas of expertise.

**Goal 10: Organizational Development**

*Benchmark 10.8: Establish Technology for teachers and administrators.....*

An automated check out system was introduced in the media center. The management options were utilized to print reports/overdue notices. A central computer was installed as a look-up station, replacing the card catalog. Training on the use of the internet was provided for interested students/staff and all classrooms were linked by e-mail.

