

# West Side Elementary Takes School Culture By Storm

West Side Elementary School is a rural school that was founded in 1926 in order to serve elementary students in Picayune, Mississippi USA. Through the years it has grown, along with the district, to become one of 5 elementary schools in the area. It serves a community of 35,000plus residents. Currently the school serves four hundred twelve (412) students, from Kindergarten through Sixth grade.

The mission of West Side Elementary is to Empower each student to be a person of character who can maximize his/her gifts and talents and contribute to the enrichment of a global society. The FUNecole<sup>®</sup> Solution deployment in our school has seen a significant success. Much of this success is attributed to the implementation of FUNecole's Social Emotional component and the robust focus of technology advances.



## At-a-glance:

**Customer:** West Side Elementary

**Website:** <http://ws.picayuneschools.org/>

**Customer Size:** 412 students & 55 Employees

**Country:** United States, Mississippi

**Industry:** Education/Elementary School

**Products and Services:** FUNecole<sup>®</sup>

# West Side Elementary, FUNecole<sup>®</sup> eLearning Solution

## Customer challenges

West Side Elementary is a Title “1” school whose students are at risk due to economic deficiencies outside of their control. In order to reduce our student “Risk Factors” and promote student achievement, we seek to offer hands-on knowledge of the curriculum through the use of 21<sup>st</sup> century Skills, Design Thinking, Social-Emotional skills, and Robotic Technology.

In order to improve the Climate and Culture of our school, it was necessary to address the Social Emotional needs of each student. In search of a method to implement this goal we came across the FUNecole<sup>®</sup> eLearning Solution.

## Customer Benefits

Through the use of FUNecole<sup>®</sup>, the West Side Elementary made great strides! Based on data analysis from the 2019-2020 school year, West Side Elementary found that as students became more comfortable with their computing skills, they were able to complete more difficult tasks in less time with less guidance, illustrating a 17% proficiency skill increase. In turn, a 50% decrease in the need for Tier II behavior plans illustrates that student behavior and engagement improved dramatically.



To reach Hall of Fame status at West Side Elementary, students are required to meet ambitious goals in academics, attendance, & behavior. This year he 25% of the student population met all 3 areas according to Kerri Wilder, Principal of the West Site Elementary



Through implementation of FUNecole<sup>®</sup> we directly addressed the social emotional needs of 50% of our student population, with very positive results.



*FUNecole’s comprehensive curriculum streamlines our use of funding by incorporating STREAMS with social emotional and computer science skills.*

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## Partner Solution

Integrating Social Emotional Learning with technology has proven to be especially beneficial to our students. The FUNecole<sup>®</sup> solution components provides students with a less pressurized learning environment while giving them a sense of control over their own learning. The FUNecole<sup>®</sup> solution effectively helped our teachers to integrate SEL with Microsoft Technologies, even to those that didn’t receive pre-service training in these subjects. Having the ready to use activities and lesson plans laid out for them, gives teachers a clear path. This alleviates much of the stress and the tendency to avoid the subject matter.

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