

## Piedmont Unified School District



### **“Students come first”** in the Piedmont Schools ‘Practice makes perfect’

Piedmont’s elementary schools; Beach, Havens and Wildwood are dedicated to supporting their children as they learn and grow. They provide students with learning opportunities and experiences that will serve as the foundation for their continued academic success.

Amongst the skills taught, touch typing is one they consider essential but this year they are taking a different approach. We will publish the outcome at the end of the school year.

“In Piedmont we have been providing keyboarding instruction for many years. All of the products we've used have been similarly gamified with levels and completion badges. We found that students were more interested in completing the levels rather than practicing for stamina and improvement of their keyboarding skills. When we came upon KAZ, we found it had an instructional approach that was different than other products we'd used. We liked that the instruction of key location and finger placement was all up front, and then the practice was just that, practice. No levels, no badges. We are interested to see how student skill development will differ this year than in past years.”