

## **PLANNED IMPROVEMENT FOR SHERMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

### **Some areas of accomplishment for Sherman Elementary School during the past school year include:**

Enhanced communication and learning through the use of technology:

- computer generated grade report cards,
- improved communications with increased use of email and websites by teachers and staff,
- addition of equipment to utilize United Streaming as a teaching tool,
- implementation of Study Island, a computer based program for students to prepare for the ISATs, at school and at home.

The Safe Routes to School grant was written and submitted. If granted, the money will be used to provide:

- At Risk curriculum for elementary students,
- sidewalks so the children may have a safe walk to school

Continuation of character building programs.

Participation by teachers in workshops and inservices to explore strategies to teach reading and math at all levels.

### **Areas of priority as we focus and plan on the future of Sherman Elementary School:**

Implement guided reading strategies at first through fifth grades.

Provide workshops and classes for the teachers to enhance their teaching of writing strategies.

Continue to promote a positive environment in a safe school by:

- working with the local police and fire departments to review safety procedures needed in emergency situations,
- updating building safety procedures,
- expanding character education programs that build self esteem.

Maintain and upgrade technology equipment in classrooms and integrate strategies into the curriculum.