

A group of teachers from Tates Creek Elementary (**Denise Finley, Sara Chamberlain, Carrie Paul and Michelle Moore**) took time right before Spring Break to meet with fellow teachers and a principal from a neighboring district. They stayed well past their school day to sit down and talk about ways in which they addressed their school's challenges, which resulted in several teachers scoring more than 100 in their classroom indices. After reviewing several monitoring tools, Finley provided a school tour and followed up with an e-mail that included a PowerPoint of pictures and other good resources. ... The fact that Tates Creek Elementary teachers gave up their personal time to go above and beyond for visitors speaks volumes about the commitment to making sure all children succeed.

– Submitted by Tara Isaacs, highly skilled educator