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WALTER HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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INCREASING SCHOOL CLIMATE BY INVOLVING ALL STAKEHOLDERS

Walter Hill Elementary School in Rutherford County has welcomed new community members this year! The school is now home to three pigs, several chickens, and a goat named Horace! Click on the photo above to hear Walter Hill staff members explain how the farm has evolved to become an integral component of the school's culture and climate.

Working with and caring for the animals teaches children responsibility and empathy. Many Walter Hill students choose time at the farm as their reward for meeting school-wide expectations. Teachers have found creative ways to structure social skills lessons around the animals and daily responsibilities required to run a farm. The entire Walter Hill community has become involved with the farm and helps with caring for the animals. We are excited to share the amazing work being done at Walter Hill Elementary School.