

2022-2023

RIVERSIDE MIDDLE

SIC Report to the Community

Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

A LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL & SIC CHAIR

Welcome to Riverside Middle School where our diversity is our strength! The faculty and staff at RMS strive to provide the highest quality middle-level experience possible to our students. Over the years, RMS has developed an extraordinary reputation for success as a school community and through individual achievements.

We work to incorporate research-based practices in teaching, learning, and the use of technology to enhance learners' access to learning. Teachers and staff create a balanced middle-school experience that prepares our students to be well-rounded individuals capable of leading in a global society. We are dedicated to preparing students for success through the tenants of the profile of the South Carolina Graduate and our district's Graduation Plus Initiative. Our school embraces a middle school model that is developmentally responsive and provides a variety of supports and opportunities to our students.



REPORT CARD RATING

EXCELLENT

WINNER

OVERALL HIGHEST
PERFORMING MIDDLE SCHOOL
IN ALL SUBJECTS
NATIONAL PTSA SCHOOL OF
EXCELLENCE
RED CARPET AWARD
PALMETTO GOLD AWARD
PALMETTO'S FINEST
SCPTSA OUTSTANDING
TEACHER, ADMINISTRATOR,
SUPPORT STAFF, & VOLUNTEER
SCASL PARAPROFESSIONAL OF
THE YEAR
SCPTSA STATE REFLECTIONS
GREER CITY BLACK HISTORY
ESSAY CONTEST
CIVITAN ESSAY CONTEST
GREENVILLE WATER ESSAY
CONTEST
ATLANTIC ESSAY CONTEST
SOLICITOR'S CALENDAR
LIVWELL GREENVILLE

ACADEMIC FEATURES

SOCIAL STUDIES

- Highest Middle School benchmark scores in Greenville County
- Project-based and hands-on learning with an emphasis on understanding the lasting effects of history in the context of the current world
- Art in History with an emphasis on cultural diversity

MATH

- Highest Middle School SCReady scores in Greenville County
- Most sections of honors high school credit math at the middle level

- 99% Pass rate on Algebra I EOC
- Carnegie and MATHia programs used to create student-centered learning
- Math Interventionist/ Skill Building

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

- Highest Middle School SCReady scores in Greenville County
- Partnership with Clemson Upstate Writing Project to enhance instruction in Reading & Writing
- Classroom Libraries
- Reading Interventionist/ Read-180

SCIENCE

- Highest Middle School SCPASS scores in Greenville County
- Curricular based field trips & guest speakers: Roper Mountain Science Center, Watershed Ecology Center, Greer Commission of Public Works, USC ~ Upstate, Greenville Children's Museum, DHEC, and More!)
- Project-based, hands-on, and computer-based learning with an emphasis on Science and Engineering Practices



ESSENTIAL ARTS CLASSES

ART & ART I
TEEN LEADERSHIP
SPANISH & SPANISH I
CAREERS
PROJECT LEAD THE WAY - ROBOTICS
PROJECT LEAD THE WAY - GTT
COMPUTER TECH
VIRTUAL GRAPHIC DESIGN
VIRTUAL COMPUTER SCIENCE CLASSES
YEARBOOK/JOURNALISM
ADAPTIVE MUSIC
ADAPTIVE PE
CHORUS
GUITAR
BAND
BAND 1 & BAND 1H
STRINGS
ORCHESTRA 1 & ORCHESTRA 1H
MEDICAL DETECTIVES
THEATER

ARTS FEATURES

BAND

- Students selected by audition for All-State, All-County, and All-Region Band
- Superior & Excellent Ratings in Solo & Ensemble Festival
- Superior Rating with Distinction & Excellent Rating at Concert Performance Assessment
- SCBDA Outstanding Performance Award recipient

CHORUS/GUITAR

- Spring Sing
- Guitar offered 6-8th grade & Advanced Guitar
- Two time recipient of the Art Innovation Curriculum Grant to fund the purchase of guitars
- Excellent rating for State Concert Performance Assessment

STRINGS/ORCHESTRA

- Superior Rating with Distinction at Concert Performance Assessment
- Superior and Excellent Ratings in Solo and Ensemble Festival
- Students selected for All-State, All-County, and All-Region Orchestra
- Outstanding Performance Award recipient

THEATER

- Student-centered productions
- Advanced Drama & Theater I
- Participants in SC Governor's School for Theatre, Fine Arts Center of Greenville County, Governor's School Summer Programs
- Spring Musical *Dear Edwina*

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- PE curriculum that goes beyond the traditional to include team-building, archery, and lacrosse; Comprehensive health education curriculum



ENRICHMENT

- Beta Club
- Capturing Kids Hearts National Showcase School Nominee
- Fine Arts Performances: strings, band, guitar, chorus and theater
- Intramural Sports
- District & State PTSA Reflections Contest Winners
- Extended Day Program
- Drama Club
- World VEX Robotics Championship Qualifying Teams
- Student News Show
- A/B Honor Roll Program
- Afterschool Extra Help
- MakerSpace
- Student Council
- Student Staffed Yearbook
- Library Club
- Engaging Field Trips
- Community Garden
- Recycling Club
- Royal Day
- Battle of the Books
- Teen Leadership Club
- Student-Run Royal Supreme Coffee Cart



ATHLETICS

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Soccer
- Softball
- Volleyball
- Participants in High School Sports including football, lacrosse, cheerleading, color guard, cross country, swimming, golf, tennis, wrestling, track/field, men's volleyball and dance

A COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS, DEVELOPING THE WORLD CLASS SKILLS TO BE PRODUCTIVE, ENGAGED MEMBERS OF A GLOBAL CITIZENRY.

COMMUNITY

- Active School Improvement Committee (SIC)
- Award-winning PTSA
- Community fundraising campaigns for technology, materials, learning environment, supplies, and teacher support
- Rising Sixth-Grade Summer Orientation Sessions for parents and students
- Back-to-School Orientation
- Multicultural Committee
- Community Fest
- School Beautification Days
- Talent Show
- Royal Ambassadors - student-led tours for rising 6th graders and families
- Community Service Projects, including Student Council Spirit Night
- Lunchroom Friends
- Friday Friends
- Red Ribbon Week
- Coffee with the Counselors
- ACE Award Recipients
- Breakfast for Loved Ones
- Dippin' Dots Volunteers
- Fall for Riverside
- Mentor Upstate
- Family Book Fair Events
- Co-sponsor and hosts of the PEP Trustee Candidate Forum
- Partnership with Julie Valentine Center





GRADUATION PLUS

- Highest level of academic rigor in all classes
- 11 High School credit classes at RMS
- Career Speakers & Field Trips
- Individual Graduation Plans (IGP's)
- Junior Achievement

RMS FAST FACTS

Established	1999
Enrollment	1,083
Grades	6-8
Attendance Rate	94.82%
Student:Teacher Ratio	17:1
School Mascot	Royals
Colors	Silver & Blue
Principal	Kate Malone
SIC Chair	Barry Horst
PTSA President	Marilyn Jones



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