



# School Summary Report River Ridge Elementary School 2019-2020



Dear Parents,

The School Improvement Council and the faculty and staff of River Ridge Elementary School have prepared this Summary Report for you and the community members interested in our school. It is our belief that we are all stakeholders in the educational lives of every student at River Ridge Elementary School. Through innovative and challenging educational experiences, we strive to meet the individual needs of our students. We appreciate your support and value your input. We encourage you to let us know of any questions or suggestions you may have concerning these activities.

This report provides you with a copy of our mission statement and summarizes the goals addressed in our School Renewal Plan. It lists activities and programs being implemented to achieve these goals. Assessment data which includes SC Ready and PASS test scores for grade three and grade four students in 2018-2019 are discussed. We have also included additional information describing awards and recognitions for our school and faculty and a listing of our school's programs and opportunities for students.

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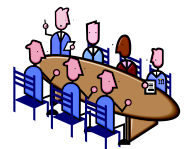
We are proud of our students and their accomplishments and strive to continue to maintain this excellence in education by working hard to achieve all goals and strategies outlined in our five-year improvement/renewal plan. Thank you for the valuable part you play in this educational success.



## 2019-2020 School Improvement Council River Ridge Elementary School

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### *MISSION STATEMENT*

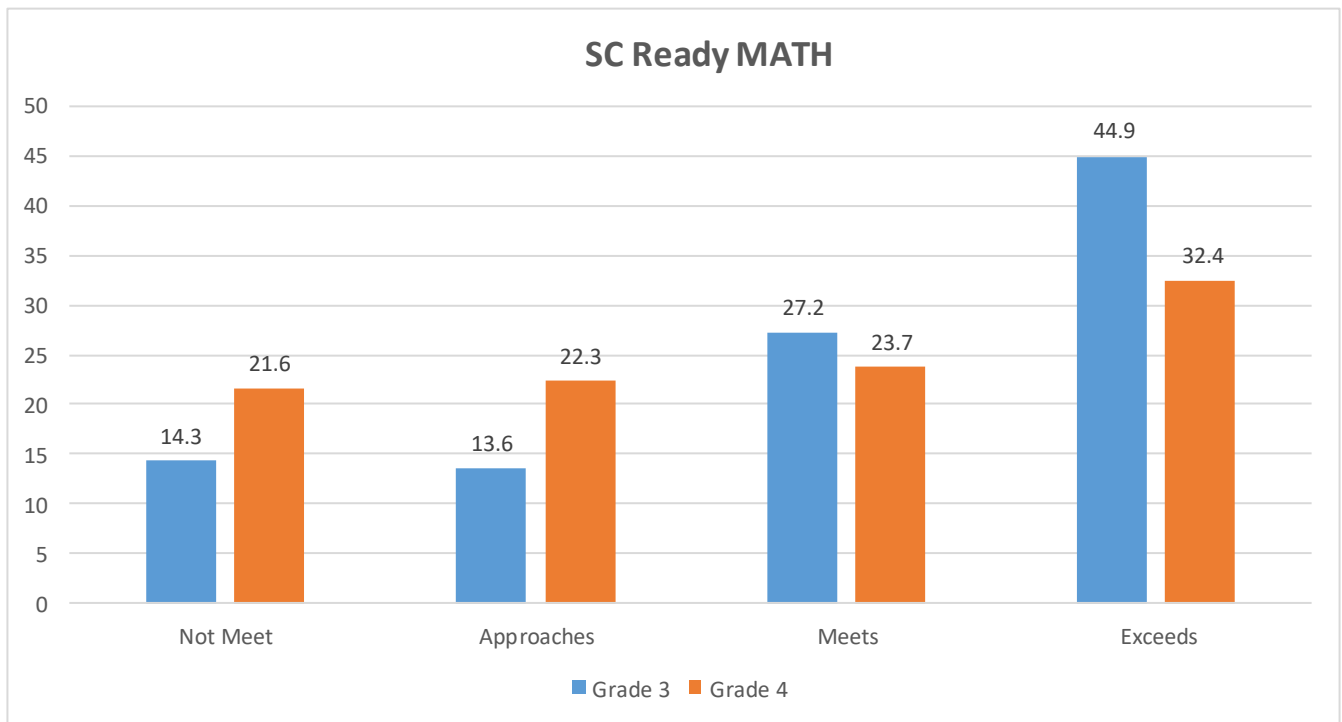
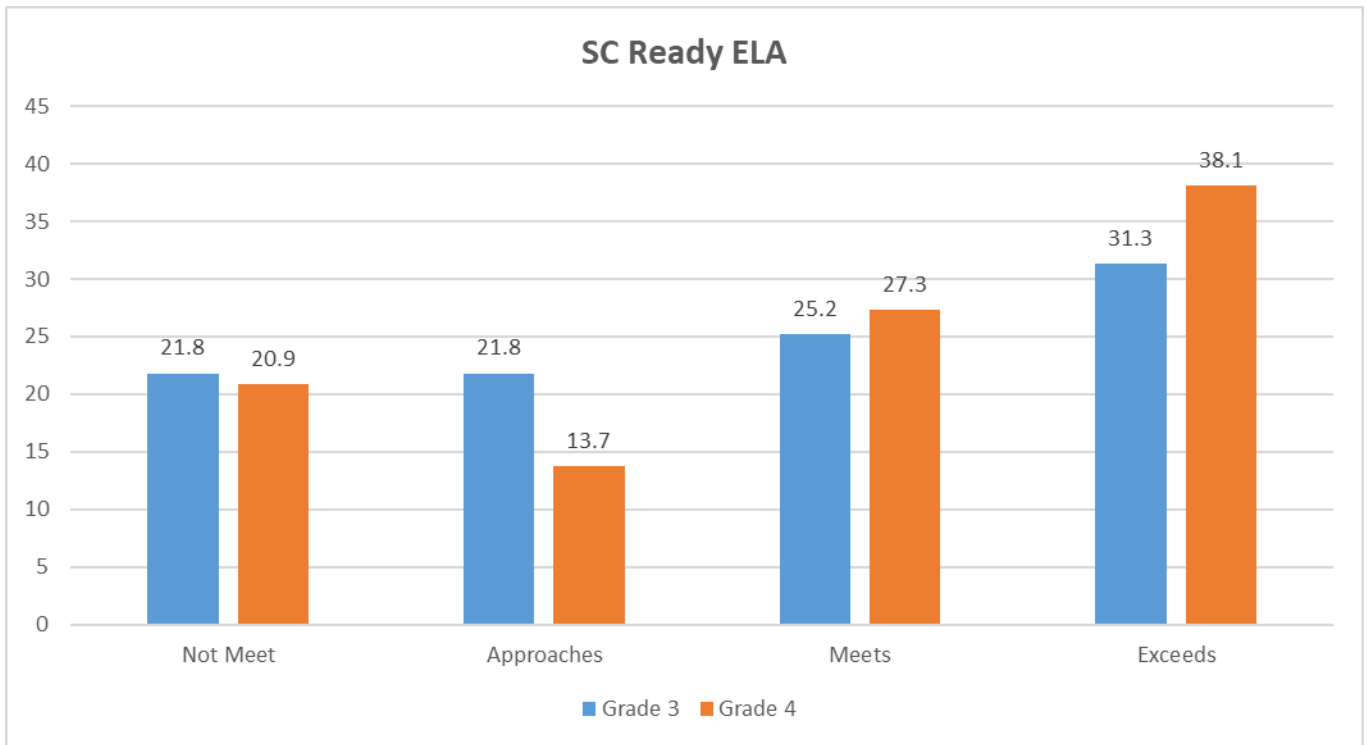
*River Ridge Elementary School will provide every student quality educational experiences in a safe, nurturing, and engaging environment.*

## Goals and Strategies

<p><b>Goal #1</b>  <b>We will improve College and Career Readiness and achievement in all areas of the Profile of the Graduate.</b>  <u>Strategies:</u>  Balanced Literacy Model  Reading Intervention Program- LLI  Analysis of all Assessment Data  Math, Reading, Tech Coaches  Critical Thinking Skills/DOK  i-Ready/Data Analysis/Recognition  Collaborative Learning Opportunities  Standards-Driven Curriculum-SCCCRS  Hands-On Science/STEM  Use of Graphic Organizers  Emphasis on Vocabulary Instruction  Differentiated Instruction/Inclusive Teaching  Use of Fountas and Pinnell Reading Benchmarks  Comprehension Strategy Instruction  Guided Reading/Guided Math  Performance Tasks in ELA/Math  Summer Programs (District-wide)</p>	<p><b>Goal # 2</b>  <b>We will provide activities that promote life-long learning, personal responsibilities and character development.</b>  <u>Strategies:</u>  Character Education Program  Red Ribbon Week  Student Leadership- Morning News Crew/ Panda Patrol/Flag Team/Student Council/ School Store/Technology Team.  #PANDAPride/ PANDA Pride Celebrations  Service Learning Opportunities  River Ridge Rules! (School-wide Behavior Plan)  Olweus Anti-Bullying Program  Walk to School/Fitness Awareness  Field Days  Terrific Kid  Multiplication Medallion Awards for Grade 3 Students  Math Super Stars (Grade 2 Addition/Subtraction Facts)  First Tee Program  Science Fair Projects (Grades 3/4)  Positive Behavior Brag Tags and Awards  Open Gym for Grade 4</p>
<p><b>Goal #3</b>  <b>We will assist and encourage parents in becoming more involved in their child's education.</b>  <u>Strategies:</u>  STEM Family Night  Literacy Night  Parent Conferences/Parent Link/Calls  School Spirit Activities  PTO Membership/Involvement  Class Newsletters/ Parent Information Newsletters  Open House Nights  Volunteer Opportunities-Field Days/Walk to School  ESOL Classes (MTCC)  SDE Needs Assessment Surveys  School Improvement Council  PTO Web-site/ D5 App/Parent Portal/Remind  SSIP Family Engagement  Schoolology/SeeSaw  Facebook/Twitter</p>	<p><b>Goal #4</b>  <b>We will provide opportunities for students to broaden their understanding of and competency in the use of new technology for the purpose of education.</b>  <u>Strategies:</u>  Classroom Computers/Laptops  Tech Coach  Promethean Boards in all Classrooms  1:1 Laptops in Grades 3 and 4  Active G/Web Cams  Video Camera/Digital Camera  3D Printers  iPads (1:2 in K5/1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>)  Google Ap  1-1 Model Classrooms for Technology (K5 – 4<sup>th</sup>)  EBooks  Keyboarding- (Schoolology/Instruction)  Robotics Club  Milo (Robot)  Schoolology</p>
<p><b>Goal #5</b>  <b>We will work together to ensure the safety and well-being of all students and staff.</b>  <u>Strategies:</u>  Safety Drills  Visitor Sign-In/School Check-in  School-wide Safety Committee  Secured Entrances-Visitors must be buzzed in.  School Resource Officer/ Security Cameras  School-wide Emergency Plan  Safety Walk-throughs  Nurse/ First Responders/E-Bags  Playground Radios  Safety Responder Bags (Recess/Field Trips)  AED (Located in Front Lobby)/Stop the Bleed Training  CPR Trained (Numerous Faculty/Staff)  Standards Response Protocol/RAPTOR</p>	<p><b>Goal #6</b>  <b>We will develop and provide activities to promote appreciation for the arts and other cultures.</b>  <u>Strategies:</u>  Cinco de Mayo  Artists-in-Residence  Field Trips- Theater/Ballet  Multicultural Activities-  Black History Program  Foreign Language Class-Spanish  Spring Art Show  Chorus-Grades 3 and 4  District Honors Chorus  Grade Level Performances  State Honors Chorus  Creation</p> 



This 2019-2020 school year, River Ridge faculty and staff continue to be involved in the implementation of the new South Carolina College and Career Ready Standards. \*\*\*Please learn more about us by visiting our web-site: [www.spart5.net/tres](http://www.spart5.net/tres)

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT (Data from 2018-2019)



### PASS GRADE 4 2018-2019

<b>Not Meet</b>	<b>26.6</b>	<b>Approaching</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>Meets</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>Exceeds</b>	<b>14.4</b>
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<b>Programs</b>	<b>Opportunities for Students</b>	<b>School/Staff Accomplishments</b>
<p>#PANDA Pride</p> <p><b>P</b>erseverance  <b>R</b>espect  <b>I</b>ntegrity  <b>D</b>irection  <b>E</b>xcellence</p> <p>Students are working hard on the characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate!!</p> 	<p><b>Business Partners</b></p> <p>Ingles Supermarket, Sonic, McDonald's, Publix, Zaxby's, Papa John's Pizza, Firehouse Subs, and Chick-Fil-A are River Ridge Elementary School's Partners in Education.</p> <p>Our service learning partners are Midway Residential Home, Carpenter's Table, and Middle Tyger Community Center.</p> <p>Our PTO continues to provide financial support for numerous activities such as our Artists-in-Residence, purchasing devices for technology integration, our Red Ribbon Week activities, RRES family events and our book celebrations. Thank you, PTO!!!!</p>	 <p>In past years:  River Ridge was named as a "<b>Palmetto Gold</b>" school.</p> <p>River Ridge was named as a "<b>Palmetto Silver</b>" school.</p> <p>River Ridge was named an "<b>Exemplary Writing School.</b>"</p> <p>River Ridge received the "<b>Healthy Schools Award</b>" in four categories and in six categories.</p> <p>River Ridge Elementary School was named a "<b>Schools of Promise.</b>"</p>
<p>Resource  Early Intervention  Pre-school Speech  Response to Intervention  Spanish  Speech-Language/Articulation  PANDA Packs  Reading Intervention  Math Intervention  River Ridge Afterschool Program  Olweus Anti-Bullying Program  English as a Second Language  Comprehensive Related Arts  Creations-Art  School Nurse  Gifted/Talented  Parent Education  Guidance  Technology  Character Education  Three-Year Old PCD Program  Summer Literacy Program  Rosetta Camp (ESOL)</p> 	<p>Morning Show (Daily News Broadcast)  School Store Workers  Flag Helpers  Panda Patrol  Robotics Club  STEM Buddies (K5/4<sup>th</sup>)  PTO Sponsored Events  Student Council  Math/Science Family Night  Literacy Nights  Honors Chorus (4<sup>th</sup>)  Olweus Class Meetings  Book Fair Family Night  Art Displays- District Office/Art Center  Patches' Writing Pals  Kid of Character  Terrific Kid  Service Learning Projects  Cinco de Mayo Celebration  Foreign Language-Spanish  Good News Club  Spring Art Show  Grade Level Performances  Updated Technology  Red Ribbon Week</p> 	<p>Julie Henderson was named as River Ridge's "Teacher of the Year" for 2019.</p> <p>Officer Roland McAbee was named as River Ridge's "Support Employee of the Year" for 2019.</p> <p>Seven grade 3 and 4 students received awards at the Piedmont Regional Science Fair held in February, 2020.</p> <p>Brodie Kalista. Grade 4 was named as a State Honor's Choir participant.</p> <p>Ricky Burnside, Grade 4, was named as River Ridge Elementary School's Terrific Kid of the Year for 2019-2020.</p>