



School Summary Report River Ridge Elementary School 2020-2021



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. During the 2019-2020 school year, students did not participate in the end of the year assessments due to COVID. 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.

Please follow us on *Twitter* and like us on *Facebook*. Both of these media networks provide more information about River Ridge for all stakeholders!!

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.

2020-2021 School Improvement Council




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MISSION STATEMENT

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

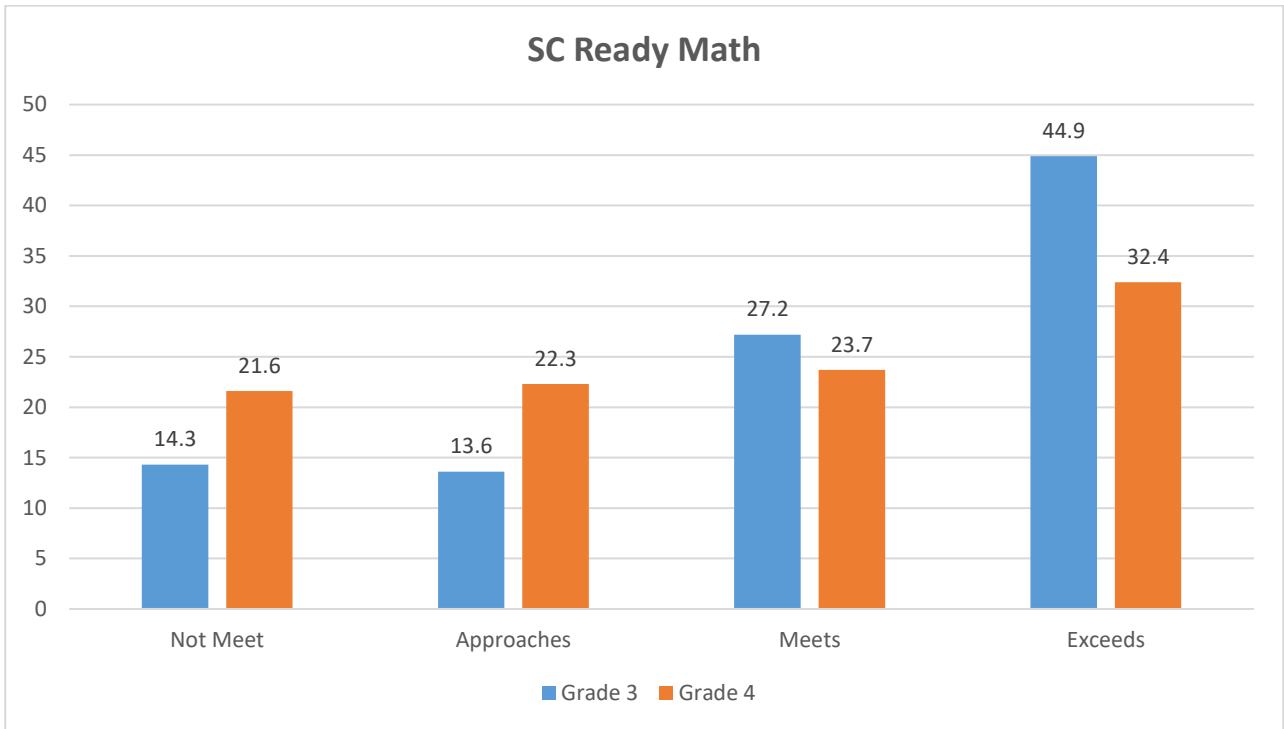
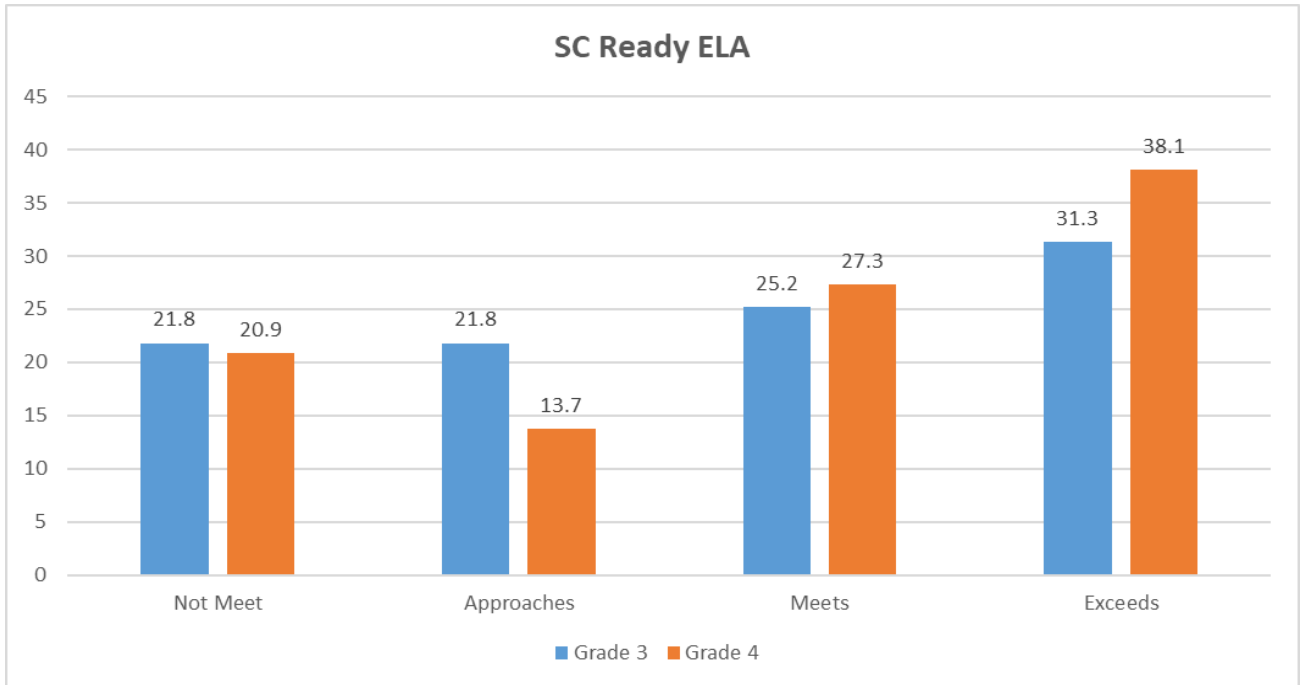
Goals and Strategies

<p>Goal #1 We will improve College and Career Readiness and achievement in all areas of the Profile of the Graduate. <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>Goal # 2 We will provide activities that promote life-long learning, personal responsibilities and character development. <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>Goal #3 We will assist and encourage parents in becoming more involved in their child’s education. <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 2021 School Improvement Council PTO Web-site/ D5 App/Parent Portal/Remind Schoolology/SeeSaw Facebook/Twitter</p>	<p>Goal #4 We will provide opportunities for students to broaden their understanding of and competency in the use of new technology for the purpose of education. <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 Google Ap 1-1 Model Classrooms for Technology (K5 – 4th) EBooks Keyboarding- (Schoolology/Instruction) Schoolology</p>
<p>Goal #5 We will work together to ensure the safety and well-being of all students and staff. <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>Goal #6 We will develop and provide activities to promote appreciation for the arts and other cultures. (2019) <u>Strategies: (Revisions due to COVID.)</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 Creation</p> 

This 2020-2021 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

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT





(Data from 2018-2019 due to COVID)



PASS GRADE 4 2018-2019

Not Meet 26.6	Approaching 25.9	Meets 33.1	Exceeds 14.4
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Some programs offered during the 2019-2020 school year were revised or postponed due to COVID.

Programs	Opportunities for Students	School/Staff Accomplishments
<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 (K5/4th) PTO Sponsored Events Student Council Math/Science Family Night Literacy Nights Honors Chorus (4th) 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>Staci Sizemore was named as River Ridge's "Teacher of the Year" for 2020.</p> <p>Steven Moser was named as River Ridge's "Support Employee of the Year" for 2020.</p> <p>Seven grade 3 and 4 students received awards at the Piedmont Regional Science Virtual Fair held in February, 2021.</p> <p>Maxim Pilipchuk, Grade 4, was named as River Ridge Elementary School's Terrific Kid of the Year for 2020-2021.</p> 
<p>#PANDA Pride</p> <p>Perseverance Respect Integrity Direction Excellence</p> <p>Students are working hard on the characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate!!</p> 	<p>Business Partners</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 "Palmetto Gold" school.</p> <p>River Ridge was named as a "Palmetto Silver" school.</p> <p>River Ridge was named an "Exemplary Writing School."</p> <p>River Ridge received the "Healthy Schools Award" in four categories and in six categories.</p> <p>River Ridge Elementary School was named a "Schools of Promise."</p>