

YORK ROAD ELEMENTARY SIC REPORT TO THE PARENTS 2025-2026

YRES IS A SAFE POSITIVE SCHOOL
WHERE EVERY INDIVIDUAL FEELS
VALUED, APPRECIATED, AND PROUD
TO BELONG.

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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN GOALS

At YRES, we are focused on creating a school where all students are challenged and supported to do their best. Our goal is for most teachers to feel confident that high expectations are in place for every child, while also increasing student success in reading, math, and science—especially in grades 4 and 5. To support this, our teachers have participated in ongoing professional learning in reading instruction, understanding student learning, and meeting individual student needs. Grade-level teams meet weekly with instructional coaches to plan lessons, review student progress, and adjust instruction to better support each child. We are also working to build a strong growth mindset, helping students and staff believe in the power of effort and improvement. Because of this work, we have already seen growth in student performance on district MAP assessments in both reading and math.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

York Road Elementary's 2024–2025 South Carolina School Report Card reflects a school that is actively working to improve student outcomes and overall performance. The school received an overall rating of "Below Average," indicating that additional progress is needed to meet state expectations. The report highlights ongoing efforts to increase student achievement in reading and math, as well as a continued focus on student growth over time. While academic performance remains an area for improvement, the data also shows that students are making progress in key areas as the school works to strengthen instruction and support.

In response to these needs, York Road Elementary continues to prioritize high-quality instruction, collaboration among staff, and targeted support for students. Teachers engage in ongoing professional learning and work closely with instructional coaches to analyze student data and adjust instruction to meet individual needs. The school also remains committed to building a positive and supportive learning environment where students feel safe, valued, and encouraged to grow. Overall, the report card underscores both the urgency for improvement and the school's strong commitment to continuous growth for all students.

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SIC GOALS

SIC Goal 1: Strengthen Family Engagement and Academic Understanding

Increase parent and family involvement by improving communication and providing clearer understanding of grade-level academic expectations, student progress, and ways families can support learning at home. This includes adding consistent weekly information in teacher communication to families focused on reading and math skills being taught, along with practical ways parents can support learning at home. Families will also have increased opportunities to engage with academic data, school events, and instructional practices.

SIC Goal 2: Support Schoolwide Academic Growth in Reading and Math

Partner with the school to support improved student achievement in reading and math by promoting strong instructional practices, encouraging consistent attendance and student engagement, and reinforcing the importance of high expectations for all learners.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

York Road Elementary School (YRES) is a place where students come first and learning is engaging, meaningful, and fun. Guided by our mission and vision, we work to ensure every child feels known, supported, and encouraged to do their best.

From hands-on learning in our classrooms to real-world experiences like spring planting, students are actively exploring and growing every day. We celebrate each child's unique talents—both in and out of the classroom—while staying focused on strong academic growth for all students.

Inclusion is at the heart of YRES. We are proud to be a Unified school, creating opportunities for students of all abilities to learn together. Our work toward National Banner recognition through Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools, along with South Carolina recognition, reflects our commitment to belonging for all.

YRES is more than a school—it's a community. With the support of our PTA and strong family partnerships, we continue to create a place where every child can thrive.

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