
RIDGELAND SECONDARY ACADEMY OF EXCELLENCE

SIC REPORT TO THE PARENTS

Every Student Matters - Every Second Counts

Highlights from the Year



2026 JCSD District Art Contest Winner

Jaquan Perry,
Artist
Grade 11

We continue to see growth both in and beyond the classroom. No matter the task, when given the opportunity, our students' Jaguar spirit shines through. Here are just a few highlights from the 2025–2026 school year:

Academics

- RSAE Middle School students attended the Jr. Beta Convention in Myrtle Beach competing in dance, book battle, academics, music, engineering and more.
- Jr. Beta 6th grader, Pedro Hernandez placed 2nd in Spanish at the competition.
- 6th grader, Jose Mendoza, won the 2026 RSAE Middle School Spelling Bee.
- The Jr. Beta Club inducted 44 new members.

- Michael Atonal was awarded a paid contractor internship with Boeing through his studies at BJ ACE.

RSAE High School students enrolled in CTE courses at JC CATE and BJ ACE made an impressive showing at SkillsUSA:

- Alexia Jones will be installed as a State Officer at Nationals.
- Taylor Anderson – Gold - Cosmetology Prepared Speech (BJ ACE).
- Jasolene Torres – Gold – Job Interview Skills
- Unique Brice and Eddie Cruz – Gold – Commercial sUAS Drone
- Paris Sanders and Sumyr Thompson – Gold – Trial Advocacy
- Febe Martinez - Silver - Job Interview Skills
- Jaqueline Silverio – Silver - Medical Math

SIC MEMBERS

Officers

Octavia Byones, Chair
John Bolsch, Co-Chair
Catlynskye Hoff, Co-Chair
Tameika Riley, Secretary

Elected

London Pinckney (Student)
Sharique Ruth (Student)
Shanique Samuels (Teacher)
Zyon Smiley (Teacher)

Appointed

Corey Bivens
Cynthia Hasty
Kimberly Morgan

Ex-Officio

Adrienne Maybank
Alexis Calloway
Paula Murphy

ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Enrollment

- **Total Students:** 730
- **Grades Served:** 6-12

Student Population

- **Gender:** 52% Male | 48% Female
- **Race/Ethnicity:**
 - 48% African American
 - 40% Hispanic
 - 10% Caucasian
 - 2% Other

- La'Trice Perry – Silver - First Aid CPR
- Nolberto Ojeda and Jonathan Rodriquez – Silver - Video Game and Design
- Sumyr Thompson - Bronze - Medical Terminology
- Jaquan Perry – Bronze – Information Technology Services
- RSA High hosted its first ACT Boot Camp and saw an increase in test scores.
- The National Honor Society inducted 15 new members.
- Junior Jaquan Perry won the JCSD Art Contest and will have his artwork featured on the 2026-2027 Parent and Family Engagement Calendar.

Athletics

- Denardo Henry and Cordell McClain were recognized as All-State Honorable Mention for Class 1A Football.
- Palaal Crawford was named 1A Region 4 Running Back of the Year.
- Denardo Henry was named 1A Region 4 Linebacker of the Year.
- Christian Houston was named 1A Region 4 Co-Offensive Lineman of the Year.
- Javar Henderson competed in the state wrestling finals.
- The Jaguar football team was named 1A Region 4 Runner Up.
- The Jaguar girls' track team finished the season as region runners-up.
- The Jaguar boys' track team finished the season as region champions for the 2nd year.

Community

- The Jaguar football team gave back by bagging groceries at Piggly Wiggly and assisting customers getting to their cars.
- 40 students were blessed by our Angles through this year's Angel Tree.
- The Jr. Beta Club collected and donated socks to the residents of the Ridgeland Nursing Home.
- Our SGA sponsored their annual Canned Good Drive and collected more than 1700 cans and non-perishable food items for the Low County Food Bank.
- RSAE partnered with the Jasper County Sheriff's Office for our 2nd Annual Fall Festival.

Schoolwide Goals

RSAE Middle

The percentage of students in grades 6 – 8 scoring meets or exceeds in ELA will increase (7%, 6%, 7%) annually as measured by the State's English assessment.

The percentage of students in grades 6 – 8 scoring meets or exceeds in math will increase (6%, 5%, 6%) annually as measured by the state's mathematics assessment.

The percentage of students in grade 6 scoring meets or exceeds in science will increase to 52.1% as measured by the state's science assessment.



RSAE High

The percentage of 9th-12th students attaining college-readiness prior to (on time) graduation will increase to 36.8% as measured by the school report card.

The percentage of 9th-12th grade students attaining career-readiness prior to (on time) graduation will increase to 69.5% as measured by the SC high school report card.

This school year has been filled with an abundance of meaningful accomplishments and moments of pride for our school community. From academic growth to extracurricular achievements, our students continue to demonstrate dedication, perseverance, and excellence. They have earned recognition in academics, athletics, and the arts, highlighting their hard work both in and out of the classroom. As we move forward, we will continue to foster a supportive and inclusive school culture that prioritizes student well-being, respect, student achievement and community partnerships.

JOIN US

The SIC is an advisory council to the principal and school. RSAE is looking for parents, guardians and community members to get involved. If you are interested in becoming a member or serving in some capacity, please email adrienne.maybank@jcsd.net.

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