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Rocky Creek Elementary School Improvement Council 2017-2018 "Report to the Parents"

Rocky Creek Rangers are self-directed learners, caring citizens, and positive world-changers.

School Achievements

Kristen Taylor, grade 1 teacher, was selected as Teacher of the Year. She was also named a finalist for District Teacher of the Year.

Kathy Young was selected for Support Staff Employee of the Year.

RCE received an Excellent rating for overall performance.

RCE became a Code to the Future coding immersion school.

RCE continued their participation in Jon Gordon's *Energy Bus for Schools Leadership Program*.

RCE received several grants this year: Donors Choose.org Projects, Mid-Carolina Electric Cooperative, and Michelin Golden Apple.

RCE reached 900 followers on Twitter to follow what happens inside the walls of The Creek.

RCE School Counseling program is recognized as a ASCA Model Program.

RCE was certified as a Great Kindness Challenge School.

RCE students donated more than 800 pounds of canned goods to Lexington Interfaith Community Services.

RCE sponsored a Creek Cares Tree and was able to make 14 families' holidays a little brighter.

RCE collected hygiene items to send to the American Red Cross in Texas to provide relief to the victims of Hurricane Harvey.

RCE students raised over \$5,000 for Jump Rope for Heart.

RCE students and staff completed the Million Word Challenge: all read 1,000,000 words this year!

RCE had \$1,300 sent to the Kade Crocker Memorial Fund - a memorial set up to honor Kade Crocker, 3rd grade student, who passed away in May.

SIC Members

Chairman John Gagan Parent

Jack Epps Parent

Sarah Harmon Parent

Jennifer Howell Parent

Dana Randall Parent

Meredith Gray Teacher

Kristen Taylor Teacher

Brenda Nichols Principal

Katie Herndon Assistant Principal

Diane Thomas Assistant Principal

About RCE:

Student Capacity: **800** Student Enrollment: **752** Number of Staff: **94** Grades: **4K-Grade 5** Mascot: **Rangers** Colors: **Green and Brown**

Additional Information:

At Rocky Creek Elementary, we practice our motto of being reading to learn, celebrating each other, exemplifying kindness, and staying safe each day.

We are committed to living out our mission in collaboration with families and community, we will provide an exceptional educational experience for all. Our dedicated staff and supportive parents work closely to make learning enjoyable for our students.

Rocky Creek Elementary opened in 2010 and is accredited by the State Department of Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The school was designed and constructed using Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) strategies. The U. S. Green Building Council awarded RCE Silver Status in the LEED for schools rating system.

Please go to our website for additional information about Rocky Creek Elementary. <u>http://rces.lexington1.net/</u>

Student Achievement

| Tested Subject | 2017 |
|----------------|--|
| | SC Ready |
| | SC PASS |
| | % Exceeds & |
| | Meets |
| Language Arts | 61.0 |
| Math | 78.0 |
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| Language Arts | 68.0 |
| Math | 60.0 |
| Science | 64.0 |
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| Language Arts | 79.0 |
| Math | 70.0 |
| Social Studies | 85.0 |
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| | Language Arts Math Language Arts Math Science Language Arts Math |

RCE Performance Goals

1. The district will increase the percentage of students who are progressing on-time with the requisite skills for success at their current grade levels. (Student Achievement)

2. The district will implement strategies to improve equity in high level coursework. (Teacher and Administrator Quality, School Climate, Student Achievement)3. The district will implement strategies to improve performance in high level coursework. (Student Achievement)

4. The district will improve the conditions that lead to student success in each school by utilizing a system of advocacy for each child that facilitates healthy social and emotional growth. (School Climate, Teacher and Administrator Quality)
5. The district will increase opportunities for district personnel to participate in collaborative professional learning opportunities that impact student achievement. (Teacher and Administrator Quality)

6. The district will implement strategies to improve customer service, parent engagement, and community involvement. (Teacher and Administrator Quality, School Climate)

Purpose of the Report

"This Report is issued by the Rocky Creek Elementary School Improvement Council in accordance with South Carolina law to share information on the school's progress in meeting various goals and objectives, the work of the SIC, and other accomplishments during the school year."

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