

## School Achievements

National AVID Demonstration Site

National Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School

2017-2018 Middle School Model School

**School Geography Bee Winner:**

Ethan Johnson

**Jr. Scholars (8<sup>th</sup> grade):**

Autumn Burkett  
Chasity Philyaw  
Cheyanne Simmons  
Kaitlyn McKinnley  
William Crittendon  
Hailey Grooms

**Cory White Award:**

Madelyn Alcott

**Teacher of the Year 2018-2019:**

Cheryl Starwalt

## *Robert Anderson*

### *SIC Members*

*Jenny Piel, Parent*  
*Alex Solla-Ellis, Parent*  
*Melanie Hahn, Teacher*  
*James Clinkscales, Community*  
*Macy Gaines, Community*  
*Leonard Galloway, Principal*  
*Tiffany Osborne, Associate Principal*  
*Christina McCurley, Asst. Principal*  
*Adam Coats, Asst. Principal*  
*Ryan Roberts, Asst. Principal*  
*Andrew Shipman, Principal*  
*Butch Tarbutton, Title One Facilitator*



### *Purpose of the Report*

*This report is issued by the Robert Anderson College and Career Academy 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.*

## Robert Anderson Middle School

### Annual School Improvement Council

## Report to the Parents 2018-2019



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### MISSION STATEMENT

The Robert Anderson Middle School's mission is to educate students through rigorous instruction in order to prepare them to be college and career ready.

## SIC Annual Goals

- Percentage of students in grades 6-8 who score Met or above on science, and social studies PASS tests will increase by 1%. This year base scores will be determined using SC Ready for ELA and Math.
- Recruit and retain highly qualified teachers for every classroom by assuring that all teachers meet the NCLB highly qualified definition.
- The school climate will improve through increased parent/community involvement and better citizenship as detailed in our plan.
- In addition, the state has mandated that the school develop a plan to implement the *Read to Succeed* mandated by the South Carolina Department of Education. The goals for *Read to Succeed* will be included in the revised strategic plan. This plan will ensure that South Carolina graduates are College and Career ready.

The goals listed above are part of our five year improvement plan for 2018-2023.

The Robert Anderson staff will continue to make high student achievement the number one goal for our students.

Highly qualified teachers are a necessity in classrooms and the administration will continue to hire teachers who meet the highly qualified status as determined by the SC State Department guidelines.

Parents are always welcome at Robert Anderson, and the goal is to have more parents involved with volunteer opportunities at the school. Along with Mr. Galloway's Sunday call and the school website, our goal is to provide more information about all volunteer opportunities.

## Student Achievement

During the 2018-2019 school year, the students at Robert Anderson participated in the SC-Ready testing for ELA and Math and PASS Testing for Science and Social Studies. Students made gains in many areas of the testing. In the area of MAP growth, our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students exceeded their growth targets for both Math and Reading. Every grade level went above a year's amount of growth. RAMS is closing the achievement gap by helping student get their extra stretch growth every year.



We utilize a variety of strategies at RAMS to increase student achievement:

- Content Recovery
- Mentoring
- Response-to-Intervention
- Student Ownership
- Collective Leadership
- Celebrations

***For more information, you may view Robert Anderson's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school year online at [www.ed.sc.gov](http://www.ed.sc.gov)***

## Additional Information

During the 2017-18, Robert Anderson began its school year combined with Lakeside Middle School. This merger saw our school population grow from 700 students to 1200 students. We were able to successfully merge and have a fantastic school year. Our demographics are as follows: 46% white, 36% African-American, 11% Hispanic, and 7% other. Over poverty index is at 74% with all of our students receiving Free Breakfast and Lunch under the CDEP program.

Along with high academic expectations, students at Robert Anderson are encouraged to develop an attitude of service to the community. This year the students had many opportunities to assist the Beta Club in activities that included: Alzheimer Memory Walk, PAWS, NHC, Richard Campbell Veterans Home, Anderson Ladies Club, Relay for Life, Centerville Fall Fest, and Water Collection.

Our students also succeeded in athletics and the arts. Both our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade football teams had winning seasons. We were also able to see our basketball, wrestling, and volleyball teams have a great season. In the areas of the arts, we have several students place in all region in band and strings. There were also many students who had their art pieces recognized by our school and district.

Teachers at Robert Anderson continue to use AVID strategies and other Best Practices to ensure that students maintain high expectations for achievement. As an AVID National Demonstration Site the school is open to visitors all over the country to visit and observe our AVID practices in the classroom.