# **School Achievements**

For the first time in our history, our **Math Counts** team placed 6<sup>th</sup> out of all the teams competing at the regional Math Counts competition in February at Aiken Technical College. (Our team scored in the top 40%.) One of the students on the team placed number 21 out of more than 115 students.

For the first time in our history, the **Future City** team participated in the state
competition this past January, and fielded a
team for the middle level Academic Team
competition.

Celebrating our newly formed PTO for this year, which has focused solely on supporting teachers and students.

Submitted a comprehensive application for support through the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant Application, which will be called Project EXCEL.

Band successes include:
Rating of "Good" and 5th Place finish at the
Mustang Classic
Rating of "Excellent" and 4th Place Finish at
the Garden City Classic
Rating of "Excellent" and 5th Place at Lower
State Marching Band
Rating of "Excellent" and 11th Place Finish
at Marching Band State Finals

# Ridge Spring-Monetta Middle School SIC Members

Below are the Student Improvement Council members that has served in this capacity for RSM this school year:

Chairperson:
Robin Kinard, Parent Representative
Principal:
Sidney Johnson
sjohnson5@acpsd.net

Donna Minor, Parent Representative Keisha Edwards, Parent Representative Jennifer Randall, Faculty Representative Crystal Coleman, Teacher Representative Cayce Spire, Teacher Representative Kyle Blankenship, Community Member Calie Herlong, Community Member

# **Purpose of the Report**

"This Report is issued by the Ridge Spring-Monetta Middle 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."

# AIKEN COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# Ridge Spring-Monetta Middle School

# Annual School Improvement Council "Report to the Parents" 2018-2019



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# **Mission Statement:**

"Ridge Spring-Monetta Middle School will consistently provide avenues for our students to become lifelong learners and productive members of the community."

# SIC Annual Goals for Next School Year

Ridge Spring-Monetta Middle School is in Year 1 as a first time middle school, having been a combined middle/high school previously. The SIC this Year, as part of Year 1, was developed to help support the initiatives of achievement and building a positive school culture. As such, our goals for next year are:

- To continue to implement increased rigor in the classroom through a focus on DOK Level 2 and 3 instruction.
- Continue to provide students with opportunities to develop their own S.M.A.R.T. goals in their academic progress and their behavior progress.
- Continue to develop student academic interventions by creating The Trojan Zone, an afterschool program designed to close achievement gaps in ELA and Math, as well as Saturday School, which is an opportunity for students to Content Recover material in each academic area.
- Continue to provide students with positive behavior support through "The Trojan Way", a school-wide behavior support plan that helps students focus on being responsible, safe, and mindful throughout the school environment.
- Continue to build parent and community relationships to increase involvement, including Parent University, Family Curriculum Night, and Back to School Orientation and Registration.

# **Student Achievement**

# **South Carolina Report Card 2017-2018** *Overall Rating:*

• Below Average: 31 points

### Overview of Academics:

- Academic Achievement Unsatisfactory: 7.61 / 35 points available
- Student Progress Average: 14.79 / 35 points available

# Overview of School Environment:

• Student Engagement – Below Average: 3 / 10 points available

"For more information, you may view RSM's "S.C. School Report Card" for the previous school year online at www.ed.sc.gov."

# **Student Performance on SC READY**

RSM 2017-2018	ELA	MATH
Exceeds Expectations	5.5%	3.9%
Meets Expectations	11%	6.1%
<b>Approaches Expectations</b>	37%	30.9%
Does Not Meet	46.4%	59.1%

RSM 2017-	Percentage of Students Who		
2018	Meets or Exceeds		
Subject	8 <sup>th</sup> grade	7 <sup>th</sup> grade	6 <sup>th</sup> grade
ELA	14.8%	27.7%	6.5%
MATH	3.7%	16.9%	8.1%

# **District Performance Tests**

	Performance Standard Growth, Fall 2018 to Spring, 2019		
Subject	8 <sup>th</sup> grade	7 <sup>th</sup> grade	6 <sup>th</sup> grade
Reading - Lexile Points	+20	+60	+33
Math-Average Quantile	+45	+115	+110

# **Additional Information**

# About Ridge Spring-Monetta Middle School:

Ridge Spring-Monetta Middle School, home of the Trojans, is a small, rural middle school in the heart of South Carolina Peach Country with a wealth of tradition and a strong connection to our community. Ridge Spring-Monetta Middle School emphasizes a culture of acceptance and respect of others by empowering students to become leaders throughout the school and district. The Trojan Way, which focuses on character development through an emphasis on student Responsible, Safe, and Mindful behavior, allows students to be provided with opportunities for increased positive behavior.

## **Technology Initiative:**

 Laptops available in every classroom, along with desktops, computer labs, and 4 "Full Circle" technology classrooms.

# **Student Information**

- Ridge Spring-Monetta is a Title 1 School, where 77.6 percent are eligible for free and reduced-price school meals.
- Student Demographics:
  - o Total student enrollment is 203
  - African American 36%
  - $\circ$  White -42%
  - Hispanic 16%