

RIVER TRAIL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL SUMMARY REPORT 2023-2024

An Update on the Progress of Our School Improvement Strategic Plan

Savannah Steger, Principal
 Sarah Baird, Assistant Principal
 Mabra Wayman, Assistant Principal

MISSION

We prepare all students with the skills and mindset to **THRIVE & IMPACT** The **WORLD**.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Savannah Steger, Principal
 Sarah Baird, Asst Principal
 Mabra Wayman, Asst Principal
 Brennan Roberts, Lead Teacher
 Brooke Smith, Teacher
 Jennifer Brailsford, Literacy Coach
 Mandy Shamblin, Teacher
 Merri Martin, Teacher

MEMBERS:

Adam Metz, parent
 Elizabeth Davis, parent
 Katherine Gutteridge, parent
 Shannon Brown, community



Purpose of the report:

This report is issued by River Trail 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.

The goal of the River Trail Elementary School Improvement Council is to increase parental and community involvement with the school to cultivate an atmosphere of academic achievement and foster the educational environment for all students.

Enrollment Grades K – 5

Total: 724
 Male: 392
 Female: 332

STAR TESTING RESULTS:

Star testing is used in Kindergarten – 12th grade education to help teachers understand student growth and achievement.

	Percentage of Students Meeting District's Proficiency Benchmark Winter 2021-2022	Percentage of Students Meeting District's Proficiency Benchmark Winter 2022-2023	Percentage of Students Meeting District's Proficiency Benchmark Winter 2023-2024
Early Literacy	85.0%	93.9%	93.2%
Math	84.5%	89.9%	93.5%
Reading	75.9%	80.5%	87.7%

Donors & Grants

Mrs. Sugden, Mrs. Borrer, Mrs. Gamble, Mrs. Shamblin and Ms. Foley received multiple Donors Choose grants this year totaling \$12,292!

Student Accomplishments

3 students had a PERFECT SCORE on the MATH SC READY test!

River Trail was awarded the **Lighthouse Designation** from Blue Ribbon Schools for Excellence, Inc.



Professional Development

- Mrs. Burroughs (Music) presented at Georgia Music Educators Conference, led PD for Lexington 5 District Music Teachers, presented at Tennessee Music Educators Conference, presented at Olde English Consortium Conference
- Mrs. Wright (Reading Intervention) presented a PD on sound walls to Reading Interventionist across the district
- Mrs. Shamblin (4th Grade GT and STEAM leader) presented at the University of North Carolina Charlotte, presented at the district office for elementary STEAM leaders, presented at Fort Mill School District's Engage to Learn Conference
- Mrs. Shamblin (4th Grade GT), Mrs. Sugden (5th Grade GT) and Mrs. Burroughs (Music) led PD at our school on STEAM

Conferences

- Mrs. Wayman & Mrs. Sugden attended the National Association for Gifted Children
- Ms. Hurin & Mrs. Shiplett attended the Early Literacy Conference
- Mrs. Bassett attended the 2023 SE Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages Conference
- Mrs. Burroughs attended the American Orff Schulwerk Conference
- STEAM University of North Carolina, Charlotte
- Mrs. Sugden & Mrs. Shamblin attended the leadership skills mini conferences at the district office
- Mrs. Swank, Ms. Foley, Mrs. Yates, Mrs. Rigby, Mrs. Cook, Ms. Knighton, Mrs. Ray, Mrs. DeSanctis, Mrs. Sugden, Ms. Santucci, Mrs. Carroll, Mrs. Wilkerson, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Batot, Mrs. Trull, Ms. Willets & Ms. Andrews all attended a PLC conference.

Additional Coursework

- Mrs. Wright & Mrs. Yates are in the Clemson Grant-Funded Graduate Program- Masters of Literacy: Reading Coaching/ESOL
- Mrs. Wayman is working towards her Doctorate in Education Practices and Innovation with a Concentration in Education Systems Improvements

School & Community Events

- Fall Festival
- Fall & Spring Book Fair
- One School, One Family Breakfast
- Monthly Guest Readers
- Red Ribbon Week
- Read Across America
- Winter Wonderland
- Boosterthon
- Teacher Cadets from CRHS & FMHS
- The Otter News Show
- Otter Outlet
- Otter Tech Club
- Safety Patrol
- Monthly Spirit Nights
- 4th/5th Grade Talent Show
- Spring Dance
- Toy Drive in honor of Joseph Petramale for Levine's Children Hospital
- Treble Trail Chorus Performance at Fort Mill Town Tree Lighting
- Treble Trail Chorus Performance at the Strawberry Festival

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Special Programs & Fundraisers

- River Rock Church Partnership
- Kids Heart Challenge raised \$11,810.61
- Mrs. Kawakami facilitated iLEAD with fourth grade small group