

# **Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow**

A LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL & SIC CHAIR

Welcome to Riverside Middle School where our diversity is our strength! The faculty and staff at RMS strive to provide the highest quality middle level experience possible to our students. Over the years, RMS has developed an extraordinary reputation for success as a school-community and through individual achievements.

We work to incorporate research-based practices in teaching, learning, and the use of technology to enhance learner's access to learning. Teachers and staff create a balanced middle-school experience that prepares our students to be well-rounded individuals capable of leading in a global society. We are dedicated to preparing students for success through the tenants of the profile of the South Carolina Graduate and our district's Graduation Plus Initiative. Our school embraces a middle school model that is developmentally responsive and provides a variety of supports and opportunities to our students.



REPORT CARD RATING

**EXCELLENT** 

WINNER

NATIONAL PTSA SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE RED CARPET AWARD PALMETTO GOLD AWARD PALMETTO'S FINEST SCPTSA OUTSTANDING TEACHER. ADMINISTRATOR. SUPPORT STAFF. & **VOLUNTEER** SCASL PARAPROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR SCPTSA STATE REFLECTIONS GREER CITY BLACK HISTORY ESSAY CONTEST **CIVITAN ESSAY CONTEST** GCSD DISTRICT ART SHOW **GREENVILLE WATER ESSAY CONTEST** ATLANTIC ESSAY CONTEST SOLICITOR'S CALENDAR LIVEWELL GREENVILLE

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## **ACADEMIC FEATURES**

#### SOCIAL STUDIES

- Highest Middle School benchmark scores in Greenville County
- Project-based and hands-on learning with an emphasis on understanding the lasting effects of history in the context of the current world.
- Art in History with an emphasis on cultural diversity

#### **MATH**

- Highest Middle School SCReady scores in Greenville County
- Most sections of honors high school credit math at the middle level

- 99% Pass rate on Algebra I EOC
- Carnegie and MATHia programs used to create student-centered learning.
- Math Interventionist/ Skill Building

#### **ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS**

- Consistently ranked among the top schools in the district and state in ELA & Writing achievement.
- Partnership with the Clemson Upstate Writing Project to enhance instruction in Reading & Writing
- Classroom Libraries
- Reading Interventionist/ Read-180

#### **SCIENCE**

- Highest Middle School SCPASS scores in Greenville County; continuous achievement beyond mere participation.
- Curricular based field trips & guest speakers: PlastiVan, Roper Mountain Science Center, Watershed Ecology Center, Greer Commission of Public Works, USC ~ Upstate, Greenville Children's Museum, DHEC, and More!)
- Project-based, hands-on, and computer-based learning with an emphasis on Science and Engineering Practices.



# ESSENTIAL ARTS CLASSES

ART & ART I TEEN LEADERSHIP SPANISH & SPANISH I CAREERS PROJECT LEAD THE WAY ROBOTICS PROJECT LEAD THE WAY - GTT COMPUTER TECH VIRTUAL GRAPHIC DESIGN VIRTUAL COMPUTER SCIENCE CLASSES YEARBOOK/JOURNALISM ADAPTIVE MUSIC **CHORUS** GUITAR BAND BAND 1 & BAND 1H ORCHESTRA 1 & ORCHESTRA 1H **HEALTH PROFESSIONS** THEATER

# ARTS FEATURES

#### BAND

- Students selected by audition for All-State, All-County, and All-Region Band
- Superior & Excellent Ratings in Solo & Ensemble Festival
- Superior Rating w/ Distinction & Excellent Rating at Concert Performance Assessment

#### CHORUS/GUITAR

- · Spring Sing
- Guitar offered 6-8th grade & Advanced Guitar
- Two time recipient of the Art Innovation Curriculum Grant to fund the purchase of guitars

#### STRINGS/ORCHESTRA

- Superior Rating with Distinction at Concert Performance Assessment (7th and 8th grade)
- Superior and Excellent Ratings in Solo and Ensemble Festival

 Students selected by audition for All-State, All-County, and All-Region Orchestra

#### Theater

- Student-centered productions
- Advanced Drama & Theater I
- Participants in SC Governor's School for Theatre, Fine Arts Center of Greenville County, Governor's School Summer Programs

#### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- PE curriculum that goes beyond the traditional to include team-building, archery, and lacrosse; Comprehensive health education curriculum
- Adaptive PE using a peer inclusion model



### **ENRICHMENT**

- Beta Club
- Capturing Kids Hearts National Showcase School Nominee
- Fine Arts Performances
- Intramural Sports
- Greenville Remembers
- Model United Nations
- H.S. Speech & Debate Club
- District & State PTSA Reflections Contest Winners
- Greenville Children's Museum Makers
- Extended Day Program
- Drama Club

- A/B Honor Roll Program
- MakerSpace
- Student Council
- Student Staffed Yearbook
- Library Club
- Engaging Field Trips: US National White Water Center, Dollywood, Peace Center, and Carowinds
- Community Garden
- Recycling Club
- Royal Day
- Battle of the Books
- Swords and Stories Club
- Competitive VEX Robotics Team

## **ATHLETICS**

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Soccer
- Softball
- Volleyball
- Participants in High School Sports including football, lacrosse, cheer leading, cross country, swimming, golf, tennis, fishing, wrestling, track/field, and dance



A COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS, DEVELOPING THE WORLD CLASS SKILLS TO BE PRODUCTIVE, ENGAGED MEMBERS OF A GLOBAL CITIZENRY.

# COMMUNITY

- Active School Improvement Committee (SIC)
- Award-winning PTSA
- Community fundraising campaigns for technology, materials, learning environment, supplies, and teacher support
- Rising Sixth-Grade Summer Orientation Sessions for parents and students
- Back-to-School Orientation
- Museum on the Move
- Multicultural Committee

- Community Service Projects, including Student Council Spirit Night
- Lunchroom Friends
- Friday Friends
- Red Ribbon Week
- Coffee with the Counselors
- Rick Floyd Presentation
- MentorGreenville
- ACE Award Recipients
- Bi-Annual Community Fest
- Breakfast for Guardians
- Dippin Dots Volunteers





















#### GRADUATION PLUS AT RMS

- Highest level of academic rigor in all classes
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  11 High School credit classes at RMS
  Career Speakers & Field Trips
  Individual Graduation Plans (IGP's)

- Junior Achievement in a Day Program

## RMS FAST FACTS

1999
1,132
6-8
94.82%
17:1
Royals
Silver & Blue
Kate Malone
<b>Barry Horst</b>
arilyn Jones





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