

# Our Culture



RMS is located in an incredible community. We have an active and supportive PTO. We also have many community partnerships that benefit our students.

#OneSchoolOneHeartbeat



We want our students to love school and have many opportunities for student engagement such as our annual Slime Run, dodgeball tournaments, and block parties.

#WorkHardPlayHard



We are an AVID School-wide Site and implement writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization, and reading (WICOR) strategies across the curriculum.

#AVIDforPossibility



We boast a state championship in Archery, conference championships in Boys and Girls Basketball, and a variety of awards in our Band, Chorus, Robotics, and Agriculture programs.

#WeAreRiverside



**Dr. Jennifer Roach**  
**Principal**

**Mr. Kevin Brady**  
**Assistant Principal**

**Mr. Daniel Huggins**  
**Instructional Coach**

**Mrs. Jill McClain**  
**Lead School Counselor**

**Mr. Jeff Rae**  
**School Counselor**



# RIVERSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT 2024-2025



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## SIC Members

Principal, Ex-Officio Member:  
Jennifer Roach

SIC Chairperson:  
Nolan Black

Teachers:  
Bill Sheskey & Jeff Rae

Parents and Community Members:  
Philip Blankenship, Candace Owens,  
Lisa Styles, Deirdre Green, & Winston  
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The School Improvement Council is set up by the SC Legislature. It is an advisory body to the principal and functions to promote student success, provide information to, and promote the school's progress to interested community stakeholders.



## RMS Achievements

- South Carolina ASCD Whole Child Award School, 2025
- AVID Schoolwide Site: 2023, 2024, 2025
- Ranked in the top 10% of middle schools in SC by the US News and World Report: 2024
- SC and US School to Watch Designation: 2019, 2023
- Excellent Rating on SC State Report Card: 2011-2016, 2019, 2023, 2024
- Palmetto Silver Award for State Test Performance: 2014, 2023
- Palmetto Gold Award for State Test Performance: 2013, 2015, 2016, 2019, 2024
- Palmetto's Finest: 2008

## Our Mission & Vision

Our mission is to believe in our students enough to hold them to high expectations! Our vision is to balance student engagement with academic excellence so that students want to be at school today and will be prepared for tomorrow.

## Student Activities

- Beta Club
- Student Council
- Band and Chorus
- Art Club
- Archery and Fishing Teams
- Agriculture Program and FFA
- Vex Robotics Club
- Academic Awards Days
- High School Credit Courses: Algebra I Honors and English I Honors
- Gateway to Technology
- Student Incentives--Block Parties, Slime Run, and More!
- RMS Sports: Football, Basketball, Volleyball, and Cheer
- PHS Sports: Soccer, Cross-Country, Golf, Wrestling, Baseball, Softball, Track, and Swimming

