

School Improvement Council

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Jennifer Gillepsie, Assistant Principal
Shawn Suber, Assistant Principal
Jan Fickling, Principal

Parent/Teacher Organization

Charles Riley, President
Stacey Tyler, Vice -President
Marva Riley, Secretary/Volunteer Coordinator
Anthony Lawrence, Treasurer

Environmental Engineers
Running Club
Dolphin Singers
Art Club
Video Club
Student Council
Math Busters Club
Dolphin Detectives
Smart Wise Club

Special Programs

Nautical Academy (Single Gender Program)
2 ITEC (Integrating Technology to Enhance Curriculum)
Extended Day Tutoring

Service Learning Projects

PAALS Rob's Best Friend, Winter Wishes, Jump Rope for Heart, Breat Cancer Awareness, Leukemia/Lymphoma Society Valentine Sale, March for Meals
5K Run
Service Project for Japan

Family Programs

Boys and Girls Club before/after school and summer programs

Rice Creek Elementary parents initiated a uniform dress code in 1996. We have found that uniforms unite our student body and promote school spirit, improve students' attitudes toward their work as they focus on school rather than fashion. For additional information, please visit our school web-site at www.richland2.org/schools/rce.



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School hours
8 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Through a shared vision for excellence, and teamwork with our children, parents, faculty, staff and community, Rice Creek Elementary School pledges to provide developmentally-appropriate, individualized learning experiences that will empower our children to be creative thinkers, responsible citizens and productive life-long learners.

Student Enrollment - 749
Grades - Pre-K - 5th



Richland School District Two
6831 Brookfield Road
Columbia, SC 29206

School Highlights & Awards

Our goal at Rice Creek Elementary is to provide all children with a safe, inviting, and supportive environment that will empower them to be productive citizens and life-long learners. Through Highly Effective Teaching (HET), our students are able to maximize their learning potential. The HET strategies encourage hands-on learning, movement and differentiated instruction. These strategies provide our students with engaging activities that are challenging and exciting. Rice Creek is a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, School of Promise and a two-time Red Carpet recipient. We have been recognized by the Education Oversight Committee for closing the achievement gap for historically underachieving student groups. We are also proud to be a part of the Professional Development School Network. Our PDS partnership with the University of South Carolina provides continued staff development opportunities for our teachers. In addition, we are privileged to place many student interns in grades K-5 and in our related arts classes. These awards and honors are directly related to the hard work and dedication of our students, parents, faculty and staff, and community. We are extremely proud of our dolphins.

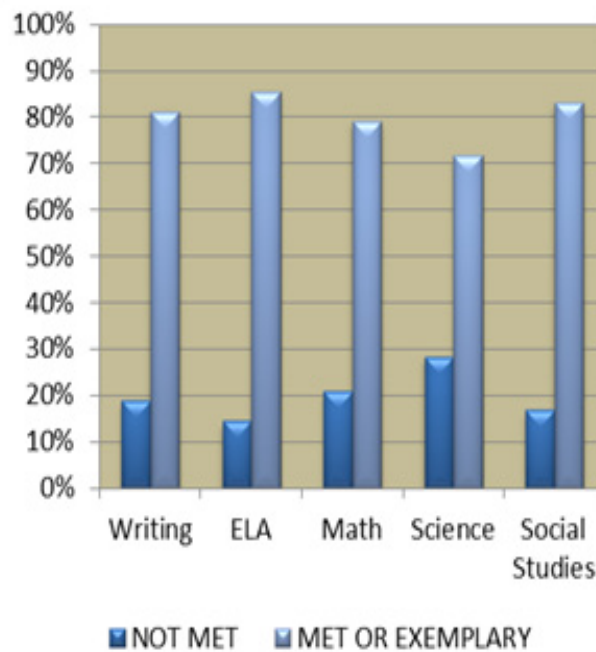
Awards

National Association of Professional Development
Schools Award Recipient
Palmetto Silver Recipient
Palmetto Silver Closing the Achievement Gap
Recipient

Major Grants Received

Technology Innovation Grant

PASS Test Scores



Technology

2-ITEC classrooms
Airliners (Wireless Slates)
SMART Response Systems
FLIP Video Flex Cameras
Garmin GPS Systems
Digital Cameras
SMARTBoards in each classroom
Laptops (3 Wireless Carts)

Richland School District Two does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, or other protected characteristic in its programs and activities.

Goals for the next school year

- ◇ Provide an academic environment that promotes high expectations for all students, based on Highly Effective Teaching (HET) brain-based model
- ◇ Sustain and enhance The Environmental Fitness Academy (eFIT)
- ◇ Implement strategies to provide a positive learning environment
- ◇ Create a professional learning environment that attracts and supports a high quality core of teachers and staff
- ◇ Develop alliances with families and the community to enhance and support the well-being of students

Student Information

72% African American
16% White
4% Asian
4% Hispanic
5% Other

38 Teachers
(14 National Board Certified)