

School Organizations and Contacts

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Philip Cobb, *Chairperson*

Ashley Foster, *Vice-Chairperson*

Dr. Chandra Reed-Carr, *Secretary*

Ashley Thomas • Kelly Eifert

Sandy Tanner • Bettina Henderson

Riggsbee Sanders • Inger Brown

Nastaran Kazerounian

Clarissa Bennett, Ex-Officio & Principal

Brandon Schirmer, Ex-Officio & Assistant Principal

PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Emma Burns, *President* - rtepto@gmail.com

LaTonya Fleming, *Vice President*

Lori Edwards, *Vice President*

Alma Hill, *Volunteer Coordinator*

Julie Garrison, *Treasurer*

Catherina Salley, *Secretary*

Jayne Duren, *Director at Large*

Richland School District Two
6831 Brookfield Road
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Extracurricular Activities

CLUBS

Student Lighthouse Team • Student Community Team

Student Traditions Team • 28 Leader in Me Clubs

WING TV • Sports & Fitness Club • Air Mail • Art Club

Brown Bags & Books • Safety Patrol • Morning Fun Run

Student Council • Aviator Dance Company

Aviator Ensemble • Readers Challenge • Aviator Chorus

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Virtual Trivia Night • Virtual Paint & Sip, Jr • Virtual Drum Fit

(Dance & Music Event) • Virtual National Field Day •

Virtual Family Fitness Challenge •

PB&J (Parents, Books, & Juniors) • Backpack Food Program

Critical Thinking Lab • Reading Counts

Arts in the Basic Curriculum (ABC) School •

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Elementary

Junior Achievement • The Leader in Me ®

Read-A-Thon • Boosterthon •

Watch D.O.G.S • Teacher Cadets

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Boys and Girls Club of the Midlands •

Genova Karate • Good News Club • Haney Golf Academy

Tumbletree Cheerleading & Sports

Ashley Tolson Dance • A-Game Sports & Fitness • STEM Club

**Note: some activities postponed during the 2020-21 school year.*

Demographics

STUDENTS: 656

African American 274 • White 254 • Asian 20
Hispanic 63 • Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 1 • Other 44

TEACHERS: 46
16 National Board Certified

SUPPORT STAFF:
22

Round Top Elementary



Home of the Aviators

"Where Learning takes Flight"

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Blythewood, SC 29016

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Clarissa V. Bennett, Principal

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School Hours: 8:00 A.M. - 2:50 P.M.

RTE Mission

Round Top Elementary, in collaboration with our community, will provide an experience-enriched environment that empowers students to become life-long learners and responsible citizens.

RTE Vision

Empower - Lead - Succeed

Student Enrollment: 656

Grades: PreK - 5th Grade

School Highlights & Awards

RTE is helping all students develop college and career readiness skills representative of the Profile of a South Carolina Graduate. As an AVID Elementary Showcase and Leader in Me® Lighthouse school, RTE works to provide to all students a rigorous and engaging academic learning environment characterized by: relationship building, critical thinking, collaboration, meaningful feedback, and purposeful movement. We believe these skills build confidence and support the development of a “growth mindset” to support them in successfully navigating their individual college and career pathway.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

Lighthouse Recertification, 2020

The Leader in Me® Lighthouse School, 2018

Academic Distinction and Honor Roll, 2018

AVID Showcase School, 2018 & 2019

South Carolina Palmetto's Finest, 2017

SC Art Education Association Principal of the Year, 2014

SC School of Character, 2013

National School of Character, 2013, 2014

RAMP Award (Recognized ASCA Model Program by the American School Counselor Association), 2012-2015

Palmetto Gold Award, 2010 • 2011 • 2012 • 2013

Arts in the Basic Curriculum School since 2006

SIC Dick & Tunky Riley Award Finalist, 2009, 2010, 2020

RS2 Honor Roll Teacher of the Year

Mary Ellen Hedrick, 2009 • Nichole Timmerman, 2012 • Heather High, 2013 • Missi Paschoal, 2019

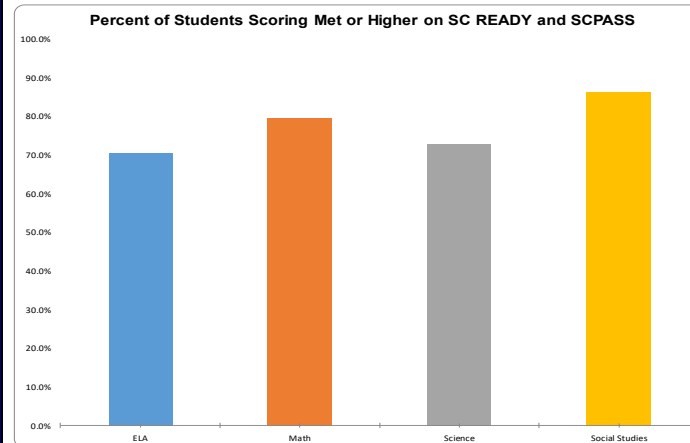
SC Media Specialist of the Year - Cindy Symonds, 2012

Innovation Incubator—Time Machine since 2015

SC Council for Exceptional Children, 2019

SCPASS and SC READY Test Scores

2019 SC READY and SCPASS



Technology

One to One Computing in Kindergarten through 5th Grades

100% Wireless School Internet Access

Sound Field Amplification Systems in Classrooms

Clear Touch Panel Screens in Every Classroom

One Computer Lab

Google Classroom Suite

Technology Innovation Practices

Blogging • QR Coding • Flipping the Classroom • Edmodo

Google Hangout • Video Editing • Voice Thread • Wee Video

Board Building • Ozobot • 3D Printing • Green Screen Filming

Google Classroom • and more!

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SIC Goals and Achievements

Leader in Me

In conjunction with our well established LIFESKILLS and Lifelong Guidelines, we emphasize student leadership as we embrace the Leader in Me philosophy utilizing the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. Future goals will include additional opportunities to foster community engagement with SIC support.

AVID Elementary

(Advancement Via Individual Determination)

RTE continued school-wide implementation of AVID Elementary in Child Development through 5th grade classrooms. Twenty eight out of thirty classroom teachers have received formal training in AE best practices. To continue supporting school-wide implementation, new faculty members will be scheduled to attend AVID professional learning within their first year. Future goals will include additional training opportunities that focus on Writing and Culturally Relevant Teaching practices.

Living Mission Statement

Teachers are collaborating to ensure we not only model the 7 Habits of Highly Effective People, but also provide opportunities for students to carry out our vision.

SIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Teacher Advocacy

- School Reopening Townhall video series
- Teachers in Action video series

SERVICE LEARNING PROJECTS

- Ronald McDonald House • Pasta for Pennies
- Canned Food Drive for Harvest Hope • Souper Bowl of Caring
- Winter Coat Drive for God's Storehouse
- Epworth Children's Home • Kindness Certified