



Richlands Elementary School

2012-2013 Results and 2013-2014 Next Actions

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Vision

Reaching Excellence & Success for All

Mission

Richlands Elementary will be a community of young, global learners striving to attain academic excellence, enabling them to succeed in the 21st Century.

Purpose

Our purpose at Richlands Elementary is to build a community of successful global graduates.

School Executive's Message: Richlands Elementary is a themed elementary school based on Communities in Action. We are a forward thinking and sharing school community focused on providing a safe, healthy and supportive learning environment for all. We believe that no significant learning occurs without a positive significant relationship. As a staff, we recognize the importance of working in unity, as a team with students, parents, colleagues and community members. In the year 2013-2014, Richlands Elementary is committed to facing the challenges ahead with renewed focus and fidelity. We desire to be more deliberate in our planning and teaching as we go forth and prepare our students to be college ready, global minded and productive citizens of the community in which they live.

School's Strengths:

- Increased student awareness of cultural diversity through weekly global enrichment opportunities
- School wide behavior management guidelines unified through PBIS training and initiation
- Focus on school safety measure with the implementation of Ident-A-Kid system for check-ins, check-outs and visitors
- Restructured time for grade level teams to collaborate during student enrichment blocks
- Met expected growth overall with 44.7% school-wide proficiency, 4th & 5th grade growth in reading and math
- Increased pride and ownership of school through campus beautification efforts

School's Challenges:

- Aging school and structural condition of the facilities, capacity, maintenance needs and instructional requirements
- New leadership
- 2nd/3rd grade transition
- Read to Achieve legislation
- Technology- maintenance, sustainability and replacement
- Responding to the instructional needs of at-risk learners

2013-2014 Focused Next Actions:

- Implement WAVE schedule to provide teachers with extended, uninterrupted periods of planning and professional development opportunities
- Modify and continue to implement school-wide PBIS and character development initiatives
- Promote Communities in Action school theme by increasing stakeholder awareness and involvement
- Create 2nd/3rd grade PLC with Richlands Primary School: Two Campuses, One School

- Prioritize technology needs for replacement, improvement and new purchases
- Partner with VIF to assist with global initiatives as well as reconnect with Denmark partners
- Utilize Instructional Technology Facilitator to enhance and support innovative technology integration
- Create Literacy, Math and Science Focus teams to analyze data and develop strategies for improvement

Greatest Accomplishment in 2012-2013:

- Implementation of new technology to facilitate student learning
- Gained knowledge of Common Core State Standards and assessment options
- Created framework for increased global awareness, partnerships and understandings