



Richland County Elementary School

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Dear Richland County Elementary School Community,

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) released our annual School Report Card on Oct. 30 at www.illinoisreportcard.com. The Report Card shows how well our school is progressing on a wide range of educational goals. We are proud of our students' growth overall in the Illinois Assessment of Readiness scores, 5% increase, and the Illinois Science Assessment scores, 12% increase.

This progress reflects the investments we have made in adding a new reading series for consistency. Also ensuring we have highly qualified and trained staff and providing professional learning opportunities.

Our teachers, administrators, and staff, in partnership with you, are continuing to focus on elevating student progress, which will be reflected in assessments.

One component of the School Report Card is the summative designation – a descriptor of how well our school is meeting the needs of all students. This designation is based on eight indicators of academic success and school quality. Our designation of Commendable means that we are a school that has no underperforming student groups and are not in the highest or lowest performing schools in the state.

For the first time ever, these designations and academic indicators appear alongside site-based expenditures – how much money our district spends per student at our school. With these two data points, we have the opportunity to take a closer look at the relationship between financial investments and student outcomes.

We welcome this opportunity to dive into our data and talk about additional improvements and investments we can make to support every student in reaching their goals. Our school is strongest when we all work together, so we encourage you to give us your feedback. I invite you to complete this survey:

<https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#!/action/120426/p2024>

We at Richland County Community Unit #1 hold high expectations for all students and believe every student can meet our expectations with the right supports. Thank you for your continued partnership to ensure every child at Richland County Elementary School is thriving.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us by contacting Cris Edwards, Principal, at cedwards@rccul.net or 618-395-8540. Go Tigers!

Sincerely,

Cris Edwards
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