

RUDOLPH GORDON SCHOOL

Serving approximately 1,600 students, Rudolph Gordon School is a K–8 school committed to providing a world-class, student-centered education for all learners. During the 2025–2026 school year, our work focused on strengthening our Teaching and Learning Teams to ensure every student can access grade-level or above learning and articulate their understanding at deeper levels. This emphasis on Student Ownership has supported students in taking an active role in their learning— understanding where they are, where they are going, and how to get there—while allowing teachers to personalize instruction in meaningful and targeted ways. Rudolph Gordon School continues to take pride in offering strong academic, athletic, engineering, extracurricular, and arts opportunities. In alignment with our mission, our faculty and staff remain committed to fostering strong home and community partnerships as we prepare students to become lifelong learners and responsible, productive citizens.



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dr. Meredith Welch, Principal	Tricia Surles, Parent, SIC Chair
Meri Heather Acton, Assistant Principal	Amy Hibbs, Parent
Daniel Anderson, Assistant Principal	Ginny Webb, Parent
Jon Stauffer, Assistant Principal	Samantha Hill, Community Member
Faith Garvin, Assistant Principal	Chris Barrineau, Community Member
Lauren Nagelkirk, Assistant Principal	
Tara Gunter, Teacher	
Laura Shaw, Teacher	

Awards & Recognitions

Good State Report Card Rating (K-5)

Excellent State Report Card Rating (6-8)

Unified Champion School

WYFF News 4 Golden Apple Teacher Award

7 National Board Certified Teachers

All State Orchestra

Outstanding Performance Award (Band)

SCMEA Concert Performance Award (Excellent, Superior, & Superior with Distinction)

Incredible Kids Heart Challenge Recognition

SC READY assessments are given to students from third through eighth grade each year. The data presented below reflects the achievement of Rudolph Gordon School students meeting and exceeding expectations for SC READY tests for the 2024-2025 school year.

SC READY ELA Grades 3-8

3rd Grade - 86.6%

4th Grade - 77.1%

5th Grade - 72.2%

6th Grade- 75.7%

7th Grade- 69.3%

8th Grade- 75.6%

SC READY Math Grades 3-8

3rd Grade- 74.9%

4th Grade- 74.4%

5th Grade- 64.4%

6th Grade- 68.3%

7th Grade- 64.4%

8th Grade- 59.6%

SC READY Science Grades 4 & 6

4th Grade- 71.6%

6th Grade- 78.2%

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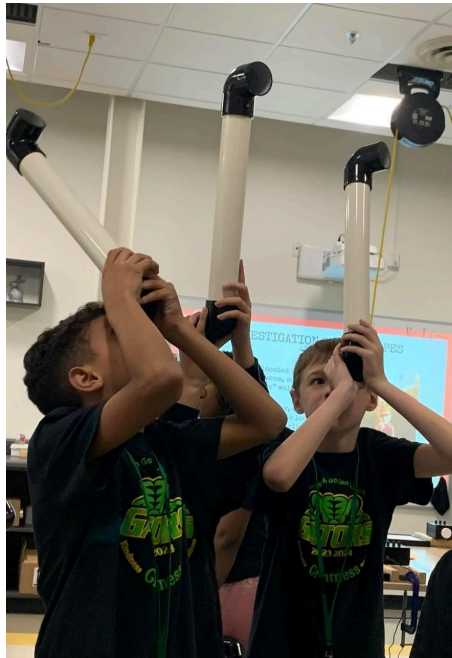
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PROGRESS ON SIC GOAL FOR 2025-2026

Throughout the 2025–2026 school year, the Rudolph Gordon School Improvement Council (SIC) has continued to strengthen transparency and communication with our families and community stakeholders while expanding opportunities for meaningful engagement. In addition to highlighting the student-centered practices that guide instruction and support at RGS, this year’s work has emphasized creating more intentional avenues for community members to volunteer, support school initiatives, and actively contribute to school-based projects.

SIC discussions have centered on key priorities aligned to student success and well-being, including the continued implementation of our school-wide Reading Plan to promote literacy across all grade levels; ongoing development of our Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports (MTSS) to ensure academic and behavioral interventions are responsive to student needs; a renewed focus on School Safety through proactive planning and consistent review of campus protocols; and the G+ Initiative, which prepares students to graduate high school college- and/or career-ready by equipping them with the skills necessary for long-term success.

We have also continued to elevate student voice by including a Student Council representative in each meeting, providing valuable insight and perspective as decisions are made. This combined focus on student voice and community involvement has strengthened our collective ability to support students and enhance their overall school experience. We are grateful for the continued partnership of our families and community and look forward to building on this momentum in the year ahead.



SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

The Hub

Greenville Federal Credit Union

Envirocare Landscape Management

Public Education Partners

Renewal Massage Studios

Burn Boot Camp of Simpsonville

Mathnasium

Big Air

Java Bistro

Kona Ice

Common Pops

Upstate Karate

TCBY

SC Arts Commission

Music Club of Greenville

Palmetto Posters

The mission of Rudolph G. Gordon School, in cooperation with home and community, is to prepare children to become lifelong learners and responsible, productive citizens by creating meaningful learning experiences in a safe, nurturing environment.