

Reedy Creek Elementary School • 10801 Plaza Road Extension • (980) – 343 - 6480

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

As a parent/guardian of a student in Reedy Creek Elementary, I am writing this letter to let you know that Reedy Creek has been designated as a Comprehensive Support & Improvement Low-Performing (CSI-LP) school by the North Carolina State Board of Education. As stated in ESSA Section 1111(c)(4)(D)(i), North Carolina had to identify schools for comprehensive support and improvement. CSI-LP schools in North Carolina are those found in the lowest-performing 5 percent of all schools receiving Title I funding. The intent of this opportunity is to improve educational outcomes for all students, close achievement gaps, increase equity, and improve the quality of instruction.

As a CSI-LP school, Reedy Creek is required to develop a comprehensive plan that specifically addresses how the school will improve student achievement. The plan will also include how our district will support us and monitor the progress of our school. The comprehensive plan will address the following areas:

- Classroom Management
- Standard-aligned Instruction
- Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)
- Instructional Leadership
- Recruitment & Retention of Effective Teachers
- Support for Grade-to-Grade Transitions
- Implementation of a Tiered Instructional System
- Data-Driven Decision Making
- Student Support Services
- Family and Community Engagement

We have set the following goals for Reedy Creek this year:

- Increase the percentage of K 2 students scoring at or above benchmark in early literacy as measured by DIBELS from 73% to 91% by June 2029 at Reedy Creek.
- The percentage of students scoring College and Career Ready (CCR), within our students with disabilities subgroup, on math End of Grade assessments in grades 3-5 will increase from 9.8% to 15%.

Our students need to experience higher achievement levels, but it will require hard work on the part of staff, students and families. Here are some strategies Reedy Creek will be implementing:

- Ensuring our highest needs students are working with trained OG staff members.
- Ensuring all staff are implementing and aligned to the district Core standards and curriculum.
- Professional Development for all staff members differentiated to specific areas of needs.

Parent engagement is at the heart of our school improvement efforts. Here are some ways we can work together:

- Make sure that both you and your student are aware of academic expectations set for your student this school year. A list of learning objectives in student-friendly language is available from your student's teacher(s).
- Email Principal Corn at rachel.goldberg@cms.k12.nc.us if you have questions or concerns about your student or to set up an appointment to meet with a school staff member who will be working with your student.
- Make sure that your student is prepared and attends school each day.
- Monitor your student's homework.
- Monitor the progress your student is making and attend meetings with your student's teacher(s).
- Keep track of our website and social media sites https://www.cmsk12.org/reedycreekes.
- Volunteer.
- Join the PTO and attend our monthly SIT meetings.

Sounds like a lot but preparing our students so that they can succeed is not easy and is a group effort. Here are some resources available to help:

- Reedy Creek Elementary School https://www.cmsk12.org/reedycreekes
- Graduation requirements: <u>www.ncpublicschools.org/gradrequirements/</u>
- K-12 standards in academic subjects: <u>www.ncpublicschools.org/curriculum/</u>
- State student achievement test results: www.ncpublicschools.org/accountability/
- N.C. School Report Cards: https://www.dpi.nc.gov/data-reports/school-report-cards

We're excited about this school year and are working to make it a success for your student(s). Already, we have:

• Seen an increase in our attendance rates, adjusted how we schedule students, and decreased our class sizes.

If you have questions about the content of this letter, please contact Principal Corn at rachel.goldberg@cms.k12.nc.us.

Sincerely,

Rachel Corn