

Richland County Community Unit School District No. 1

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State of the District Report 2019



**Annual State of the District Report
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Each year the Richland County School District creates an annual State of the District Report to communicate with the Board of Education the state of education in the school district. This communication typically includes an assortment of student data, specific initiatives in the different schools, financial data for the district, and much more.

In past years this annual report has been a lengthy document of 10 or more pages. In an effort to create a report that is easier to read and includes information that is important to stakeholders, the Richland County School District Administrative Team has created a strategic dashboard that is easy to navigate and includes up to date data and relevant information. The information that follows will provide board members and members of the community a summary of the strategic dashboard and what users of the dashboard can expect to find there.

Richland County Community Unit #1 Strategic Dashboard

Those individuals interested in education in the Richland County School District may access the district's new strategic dashboard by going to its website at www.rccu1.net. A link to the dashboard can be found here.

The strategic dashboard has two main components. The first component is a Home page that provides some basic information about the school district, including a brief description of the school district, the updated mission and vision of the school district, and a short video highlighting some key parts of the school district.

The second main component of the strategic dashboard is an Indicators page. This is where a user will find most of the information he/she is looking for. There are seven main Indicators that include District Characteristics, District and School Highlights, Learning Environment, Student Achievement and Success, Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Opportunities, Finances and Operations, and RCHS Renovation. Each of these Indicators has several tiles that provide a user with a deeper dive into the information he/she wants to see. A brief description of each Indicator is below.

District Characteristics

There are six tiles that provide demographic information about the students that attend school in the Richland County School District. This demographic information includes student enrollment, student diversity, students with special needs, and students with English as a second language.

District and School Highlights

There are four tiles in this section of the dashboard. The district and each school has a tile that provides some basic information and highlights specific accomplishments and initiatives that they are involved with.

Learning Environment

This indicator has seven tiles that describe the learning environment of the school district. Users can find information from the student, parent, and teacher survey that is taken every two years, student attendance, school safety, student/teacher ratio, instructional technology, and preschool.

Student Achievement and Success

Student assessment data is an important part of any school. However, there is more to student achievement and success than a test score. This indicator has six tiles with information to help users better understand what student achievement and success looks like in the Richland County School District.

Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Opportunities

Some of the most meaningful and exciting learning opportunities take place outside of the regular classroom. The Richland County School District believes that this learning enriches a student's experience in school, and RCCU1 provides students with outstanding opportunities to explore their interests. This indicator has five tiles that provides data about student opportunities and participation rates at RCMS and RCHS.

Finance and Operations

There are six tiles that make up this indicator. Information about school district fund balances, expenditures, and financial profile score are just a few of the items to be found within this indicator.

RCHS Renovation

One of the most exciting things to occur in recent years in the Richland County School District is the planned renovation of Richland County High School. Within this indicator one will find design drawings, a project schedule, and updates on the renovation as it progresses.

One of the best features of the strategic dashboard is the ability to provide up to date and timely information for all to see. Users of the dashboard should check back often to see what is new and keep informed.