

Round Top Elementary School



Where Learning Takes Flight

Serving Pre K- Grade 5

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Red Carpet School
Palmetto Silver Award Recipient
Arts in the Basic Curriculum Site

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Our Mission

Round Top Elementary, in collaboration with our community, will provide an experience - enriched learning environment that empowers students to become lifelong learners and responsible citizens.

Recognitions

- Nationwide Learning National Book Challenge Finalist
- National Clean Award 2008-2009
- Dick and Tunkey Riley Award Finalist Honor Roll SIC - 2009
- 34% of RTE Teachers are National Board Certified 2008
- First Elementary School in Richland School District 2 to become an ABC School
- Red Carpet Award School
- Palmetto Silver Award Winner
- Recognized for "Closing the Achievement Gap" on PACT
- Recognized by the State for making Adequate Yearly Progress

Innovations

- Nature Navigators
- "Foundations" K - 3
- Sound Field Systems
- Brotherhood of Readers
- Passports to New Worlds
- Ace's Adventure
- Campus Beautification Project
- Brown Bags and Books
- RTE Commitment Covenant
- Play Aways Electronic Books
- RTE Morning Fun Run
- Grade Level Quality Surveys
- Study Island
- Boys and Girls Club of America
- Blackboard Online Virtual Classroom

Unique Curriculum

Integrated Thematic Instruction (ITI) is a brain-compatible curriculum model grounded in the biology of effective instructional strategies and the development of conceptual curriculum. The ITI model begins with an understanding of learning principles derived from bodybrain research. The primary purpose of the model is to grow responsible citizens through the use of LIFESKILLS and Lifelong Guidelines.

ITI

Lifelong Guidelines

Trustworthiness Truthfulness
Active Listening
No Put-Downs Personal Best

LIFESKILLS

Caring, Common Sense, Cooperation, Courage, Curiosity, Effort, Flexibility, Friendship, Initiative, Integrity, Organization, Patience, Perseverance, Pride, Problem Solving, Resourcefulness, Responsibility, Sense of Humor

Service Learning Projects

- Winter Coat Drive
- Ronald McDonald House
- Harvest Hope Food Bank
- Pennies for Patients
- Mix It Up Day
- WWII Honor Flight
- Pet's Inc.
- Relay for Life
- Souper Bowl of Caring

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Values and Core Beliefs

- Every individual should be treated with respect.
- Family, students, teachers, support staff, and the community must be active partners in the educational process.
- A safe and nurturing learning environment is essential for successful learning.
- The diversity of our student population must be celebrated and reflected in programs and priorities.
- All decisions must be based on what is in the best interest of our students.
- All students can learn and should be encouraged to do their personal best.
- All resources should be effectively utilized for optimal learning experiences to occur.



Student Achievement

PACT & MAP Testing

The Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test (PACT) is mandated by the SC State Department of Education for all students in grades 3, 4 and 5. Round Top scores continue to improve each year! To learn more about the PACT assessment and RTE's Annual Report Card, you may access the SDE website at <http://ed.sc.gov>. The chart below shows the percentage of students who met or exceeded the state objectives in the Spring of 2008.

Grade	PACT Subject Area Tested	RTE %	SC %
3 rd	English/L. Arts	94.4	86.7
	Math	89.7	77.2
	Science	86.8	71.1
	Social Studies	98.2	83.9
4 th	English/L. Arts	90.6	80.8
	Math	92.4	79
	Science	89	68.9
	Social Studies	90.7	76.3
5 th	English/L. Arts	83.6	77.6
	Math	81.2	78.0
	Science	83.3	61.4
	Social Studies	77.1	66.3

The MAP test is administered in the fall and spring in reading and math. Students are expected to show gains in each area tested. The table below reflects RTE's scores and how they compare to RSD2's scores for students in grades 3-5.

Grade	MAP: Measures of Academic Progress	RTE %	RSD2 %
3 rd	Reading	62.4	53.8
	Math	67.8	54.4
4 th	Reading	66.7	56.5
	Math	50.8	65.8
5 th	Reading	64.1	56.8
	Math	79.4	64

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2008-2009

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