

Principal's Update

RICS School Governance Meeting

November 10, 2015



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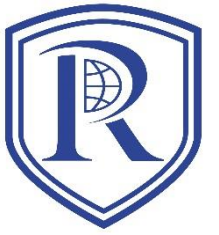




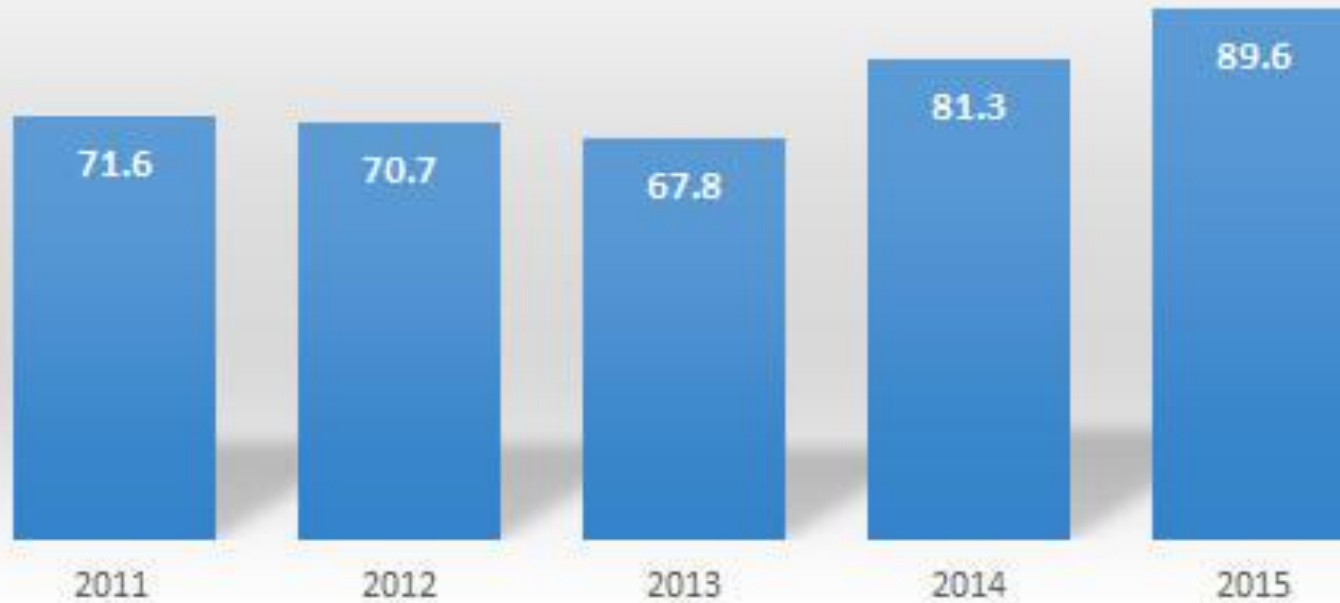
A Few Indicators.....

Measure	Change
ACT	Increase 0.5
SAT	Increase 14
Retained 9th Graders	Decrease 6% (23 Students)
Pathway Completers	Increase 13%
Students Attending College	Increase 3%

2015 Graduation Rate



**Riverwood International Charter School
COHORT Graduation Rate (By Percent)**



School	2015 Grad Rate
Northview High School	98.3
Johns Creek High School	97.6
Hapeville Career Academy	97.4
Chattahoochee High School	94.7
Milton High School	94.7
Alpharetta High School	93.5
Cambridge High School	92.3
North Springs Charter High School	90
Riverwood International Charter School	89.6
Centennial High School	87.9
Roswell High School	86.8
Westlake High School	84.4
Langston Hughes High School	83.4
Fulton Science Academy	83.3
Creekside High School	77.1
Tri-Cities High School	76.4
Banneker High School	62.5
Independence High School	59
McClarín High School	49.6

Strategies that we have implemented	Notes
New Graduation Coach	Fluent in Spanish and has a counseling background specializing in working with at-risk students
Rebuilt and revamped RTI process	Did not exist at Riverwood prior to 2013-2014 school year. Probably not seeing benefits yet but we will!
Reach out to Latino community by Spanish Liaison with specific parent meetings to meet their needs	We hold two meetings a month. One at school and one during the day at the local Catholic Center for parents who can't come to school
Credit Recovery Program	Students with a final course grade of 60-69 in an on-level, core academic class are allowed to test on standards they have not learned and earn a 70 for the course once they demonstrate mastery (The program is done once each semester)
Extended Learning Program	Targeted tutoring that helps students before they fail. Funded by a CLC grant
Closer alliance with the Sandy Springs Mission	A great resource for keeping our Latino students on track to graduate. The Sandy Springs Mission has connections in the local community and supports students with tutoring, mentoring, goal-setting, and much more.
Purchased the conversion of a PA2 to Registrar position (Promotion)	New position included the duty of tracking withdrawals, monitoring records requests, and communicating with administration about withdrawals. Funded from Gen Ed dollars.
Changed withdrawal process	Students no longer leave with their complete academic record. Records are sent to a new school once we receive a records request (which serves as documentation that the student has enrolled in another school).
More use of Virtual Lab (Remediation, Ga Virtual, Fulton Virtual)	Scheduling students to retake courses during the school day using Georgia Virtual and Fulton Virtual. The RICS Virtual Lab is staffed by a parapro throughout the school day.
A/B Block Schedule (8 Classes a year-opportunity to retake classes)	Students have more opportunities to retake courses versus a school on a 6 or 7 period day. Georgia requires 23 credits to graduate. A high school with a six period day: $6 \times 4 = 24$. On the A/Block at Riverwood: $8 \times 4 = 32$
Purposeful Scheduling	The counselors, teachers, and administrators try, as much as possible, to have discussions about which students would work better with which teachers, how to best support those students who are behind, and making sure students who are not on track to graduate have the classes they need.
Transcript Review	Probably not a big factor, but once a year students are given a copy of their transcripts and teachers check to make sure students either have, or are on track to have, the courses need to graduate.



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Riverwood International Charter School 2015-2016 Student Achievement Goals

<i>Measure</i>	<i>14-15 Number</i>	<i>15-16 Goal</i>
Advanced Placement Average Score	2.71	3
IB Diploma Pass Rate	77%	85%
Decrease the number of students failing Algebra I by 10	10.9% (38 students)	28 students
80% of students enrolled in AVID will have a Grade Average of 80% or higher at the end of the school year.	19.4%	80%
Improve attendance for all students.	53.5% of students have five or more absences	Reduce to 43.5% (156 students)

Milestones Reports

SGC Report-December 8, 2015



Number of RICS Students Tested Compared to District Average			
Subject	Avg Tested	RICS Tested	Diff
9th Lit	404	252	-152
Am Lit	318	88	-230
Coordinate Algebra	347	297	-50
Analytic Geometry	368	270	-98
Biology	391	357	-34
Physical Science	212	121	-91
US History	290	116	-174
Economics	184	224	40

Students will receive individual score reports in
Advisement on December 10, 2015
Milestones Parent Night-TBD