



Sparta Area Schools

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Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER), which provides key information on the 2024-25 educational progress for Ridgeview Elementary. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about accountability, student assessment, and teacher quality. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Steve Johnson for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following website: <https://bit.ly/3LzRys0>, or you may review a copy in the main office at your child's school.

For the 2025-26 school year, schools were identified based on previous years' performance using definitions and labels as required in the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). A Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI) school is one that had at least one underperforming student group in 2024-25. An Additional Targeted Support (ATS) school is one that had at least one student group performing at the same level as the lowest 5% of all schools in the state in 2021-22. A Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) school is one whose performance was in the lowest 5% of all schools in the state, had a graduation rate at or below 67%, failed to exit CSI status in 2024-25, or failed to exit ATS status in 2021-22. Some schools are not identified with any of these labels. In these cases, no status label is given.

Our school has not been given one of these labels.

Ridgeview Elementary School reviews its student outcome data three times a year and prepares grade level plans to help current students increase their achievement scores as measured on the Acadience Reading tests. Students who are identified as needing additional reading help are given more time and targeted instruction. Their progress is monitored and adjustments in instruction are made until the students reach the desired outcome.

Ridgeview has also recently adopted a new Tier I literacy resources to help us align our instruction and has hired an instructional coach to provide support to our professional staff.

State law requires that we also report additional information.



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1. Ridgeview serves the students of the Sparta Area School District in grades Kindergarten, first and second grade.
2. Ridgeview continues to grow in the use of the Multit-Tied Systems of Support Process (MTSS). Reading teams have been added to the already established behavior teams to increase the effectiveness of our systems.
3. Ridgeview follows the Common Core State Standards and uses common Tier I, Tier II and Tier II math and literacy resources across all grade levels. You can assess a copy of the curriculum and a description of its implementation by emailing steve.johnson2@spartaschools.org

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NWEA math % of student meeting or exceeding their spring to spring growth targets

	2022		2023		2024		2025	
	% of students meeting or exceeding growth	School Conditional Growth Percentile	% of students meeting or exceeding growth	School Conditional Growth Percentile	% of students meeting or exceeding growth	School Conditional Growth Percentile	% of students meeting or exceeding growth	School Conditional Growth Percentile
1st	43%	24	41%	17	49%	47	53%	64
2nd	33%	3	54%	55	53%	55	64%	88



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Foundational Reading Data as Measured by DIBELS

Grade Level	Assessment	Spring '23	Spring '24	Spring '25
K	Hearing and Recording Sounds in Words (HRSW)	75%	81%	75%
	Letter Naming Fluency (LNF)	73%	79%	73%
1st Grade	Fountas & Pinnell (F&P)	63%	69%	58%
	Hearing and Recording Sounds in Words (HRSW)	56%	71%	73%
2nd Grade	DIBELs Oral Fluency (DORF) - WPM	43%	43%	42%
	DIBELs Oral Fluency (DORF) - Accuracy	49%	60%	62%
	Fountas & Pinnell (F&P)	63%	70%	73%

At our most recent conferences, Ridgeview had 96% of families in attendance.

We are encouraged by our areas and growth and achievement but we continue to strive to close the gaps so all students are reaching their full potential. We know that the Sparta community and school will continue to work as one to provide our students a first rate education with a small town heart.

Sincerely,

Kelley VanVliet
Principal
Ridgeview Elementary