



Executive Summary for Fairway Elementary School

The Executive Summary (ES) provides the school an opportunity to describe in narrative form its vision as well as strengths and challenges within the context of continuous improvement. Use this template to complete the responses to the various questions below. The responses should be brief, descriptive, and appropriate for the specific section.

Description

Describe the school's size, community/communities, location, and changes it has experienced in the last three years. Include demographic information about the students, staff, and community at large. What unique features and challenges are associated with the community/communities the school serves?

Fairway Elementary School – Miramar, Florida

7850 Fairway Blvd, Miramar, FL 33023 | Grades: PreK–5 | Enrollment: 527 students

Demographics & Enrollment

- **Enrollment (2024–25):** 527 students (PreK–5)
- **Economic Disadvantage:** High—free/reduced lunch rates estimated between 71% to 84% in recent years
- **RAISE School Status (per FLDOE criteria):**
 - **ELA:** 60 overall score; 38% proficiency
 - **Math:** 56 overall score; 39% proficiency
 - **Science (Grade 5):** 77 overall score; 32% proficiency

Summary & Implications

Fairway Elementary serves a high-need population with elevated economic disadvantages and absenteeism, and academic performance remains below district and statewide norms. While progress data for 2024–25 is still emerging, recent RAISE scores confirm ongoing challenges specifically with science being slightly stronger.

Purpose

Provide the school's purpose statement and ancillary content such as mission, vision, values, and/or beliefs. Describe how the school embodies its purpose through its program offerings and expectations for students.

Fairway's purpose is to ignite curiosity, foster creativity, and provide a strong academic and social foundation for all learners.

Mission & Vision

- Academic Excellence & Student Success
- Innovation, Creativity, and Opportunity
- Inclusion & Whole-Child Focus
- Lifelong Learning and Critical Thinking

Values & Beliefs

- Learning thrives when students explore, question, and discover.
- Every child deserves rigorous academics and strong support.
- Schools must nurture the whole child—academic, social, and emotional growth.
- Equity and access ensure all students, including ELL and ESE, can succeed.

How Fairway Embodies Its Purpose

- Rigorous Core Instruction: Balanced literacy, conceptual math, inquiry-based science & social studies.
- Specialized Programs: Arts, STEM, world languages, and career prep with hands-on learning and real-world connections.
- Inclusive Supports: ASD classrooms, ELL services, Title I tutoring, and well-being resources.
- Community Partnerships: City of Miramar's M.O.S.T. after-school program and district initiatives extend learning beyond the classroom.

Expectations for Students

- Be curious and engaged in learning.
- Strive for excellence in academics and character.
- Respect diversity and inclusion in a supportive school community.
- Grow as critical thinkers prepared for future learning and life.

Summary: Fairway Elementary is dedicated to academic excellence, creativity, and equity, ensuring that every student builds a strong foundation while developing curiosity, confidence, and lifelong learning skills.

Notable Achievements and Areas of Improvement

Describe the school's notable achievements and areas of improvement in the last three years. Additionally, describe areas for improvement that the school is striving to achieve in the next three years

Achievements

- **Campus Upgrades:** \$7.8M SMART Bond renovations, including a modernized media center and facility improvements.
- **Academic Growth:** Steady post-pandemic recovery; gains in math and science, with improved state ranking.
- **Student Progress:** Students showing average growth year to year despite low proficiency.
- **Community Support:** Over \$12K raised by teachers through DonorsChoose for classroom resources.

Areas for Improvement

- **Raise Achievement:** Increase ELA, Math, and Science proficiency to meet or exceed district/state levels.
- **Close Gaps:** Strengthen equity supports for ELL and ESE students.
- **Maximize Resources:** Use renovated media center and new infrastructure to drive literacy/STEM.
- **Boost Engagement:** Expand family and community partnerships to support learning and attendance.

Summary: Fairway is making progress with facilities, growth, and community support. The next three years focus on higher academic outcomes, equity, and stronger engagement.

Additional Information

Provide any additional information you would like to share with the public and community that were not prompted in the previous sections.

Fairway is a neighborhood school that values close relationships with families. Many staff and students are long-time Miramar residents, giving the school a family-like atmosphere.

Beyond academics, the school emphasizes social-emotional growth, character education, and building positive student behavior through PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports).

Students benefit from extended learning opportunities through the M.O.S.T. program and school-based tutoring, ensuring academic help and safe, structured activities beyond the school day.

Fairway is home to Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) classrooms, English Language Learner supports, and a full menu of Title I resources—showcasing its commitment to every student's success.

Local organizations, volunteers, and teacher-led efforts (e.g., DonorsChoose projects) provide thousands of dollars in extra resources annually—directly improving classrooms and student opportunities.

With over 50 years serving Miramar, Fairway continues to be a pillar of the community, blending tradition with innovation to prepare children for middle school and beyond.