



Executive Summary for Ramblewood Middle 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?

Ramblewood Middle School (RMS) is a public middle school in Coral Springs, Florida. There are currently 1,050 sixth to eighth grade enrolled students. Ramblewood Middle's student enrollment has decreased this past year. We are the most recommended reassignment middle school for Broward County. This year, over one hundred and thirty reassignment seats were granted. Currently, Ramblewood Middle School is an "A" Rated school. Currently 57% of students receive free and/or reduced lunch. 15.3 % of students are White, 36.67% of students are Black/African American, 40.10% of all students are Hispanic, 3.52 % of students are Asian/ Pacific Islanders, and .10% are Native American or Native Indian, and 4.29% are classified as other race. Our community is constantly changing as our population grows and diversifies. At Ramblewood Middle, we pride ourselves on welcoming all students and embracing every individual who comes to our campus.

Although the population in our community has remained constant, there are several factors that have caused our enrollment to decrease. The first being that many of the residents in our community have had children graduate high school and transitioning to college, yet they have retained their homes, leaving less children to attend our schools. In addition, school choice has provided families with the opportunity to attend schools outside of their boundaries. Families have also chosen to enroll their students in local charter schools, the main attractor being the charter school managed by our city.

At Ramblewood Middle, our staff truly operate as a family, working hard to ensure our students are successful. Teachers collaborate regularly in Professional Learning Communities and participate in ongoing professional development to meet the ever-changing needs of our students. Our team is dedicated, supportive of one another, and committed to creating a nurturing environment where every student can thrive.

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.

The mission at Ramblewood Middle School is to ignite student passion for lifelong learning through advanced technology, rigorous classroom instruction and community outreach, creating civic-minded citizens with global perspectives. The school's vision is to empower students to meet today's challenges in order to build a better future. As a S.T.E.A.M. Innovative School, Ramblewood Middle endeavors to ensure that all students are delivered a rigorous curriculum that will prepare them for the 21st Century challenges and opportunities. Ramblewood Middle guides students to think critically, creatively, and to care about the community around them. We cultivate a school climate that embraces and nurtures diversity and multiculturalism. At Ramblewood Middle School, we actively recruit expert educators who have high expectations and share a belief that all students can learn. We partner with professional organizations and leaders to raise student awareness of higher education, career paths and provide students with authentic opportunities to interact with and learn from engineering professionals.

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.

Ramblewood Middle School is an Innovative School for S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Math Engineering, Arts and Technology). We offer additional classes for the Arts, including high school credit classes in Speech & Debate, Journalism, Spanish, Computer Coding, and Art. Last year, we added a high school honors class for art, band, film, theatre, yearbook and debate. At the present time, we are offering a total of 9 total high school credit classes. Some of our notable achievements include:

This year, we launched Cambridge courses (ELA and Global Perspectives) to prepare students for ACE opportunities at JP Taravella HS.

FAST PM3 Assessment

63% learning gains and lower quartile gains in both ELA

65% learning gains and lower quartile gains in Mathematics

Increased 4% in overall proficiency in ELA.

Increased 5% in overall proficiency in Math.

Increased 6% in overall proficiency in Civics EOC

Increased 5% in science proficiency.

Double-digit gains in ELA, Math, Science, and Civics over the past two years, with a 10% increase in the school grade percentage.

First time- 54 8th grade students pass the HS Biology EOC exam.

116 (33%) 8th Grade students received Presidential Gold Awards- 3.5 Grade Point Average

We inducted 81 rising 7th and 8th graders, having a 3.9 cumulative GPA into our National Junior Honor Society

SBBC District Literary Fair- Literary Comic Strip Winner

2024 Sergeant Moses Adams Memorial Middle School Brochure Contest,

presented by the Sons of the American Revolution, Ft. Lauderdale Chapter- 1st Place, 2nd Place, and 3rd Place Winners

SBBC FL Mandates Literary and Arts Showcase Competition

Essay Contest Winner

Art Contest Winner

Panther Poetry Project, presented by the Jason Taylor Foundation

Top Poem Winner

In The Capitol 2023-2024 Competition Exhibition - Best in Show

2024 Martin Luther King Art and Literacy Exhibit Contest Best in Show

2024-2025 Superintendent Gallery Showcase - two students' art pieces will be exhibited.

2024 Links National Poster Competition -1st place Regionals /National Competition

2024 Speech & Debate District Championships

Top three finishers in over four events

County Champion in the Lincoln Douglas Debate

Finished the season with over 100 medals & trophies.

Formed the Model United Nation Club- represent Ramblewood at district competitions.

Athletics- Student Athletes

Scholar Athletes- Summer Williams & Travis Dillon

NFL 360 Fuel Up to Play Touchdown School

NFL Let it Fly Grant

Postseason appearances in basketball, flag football, golf,

Girls Basketball District Champion/ County Runner up

Girls Flag football divisional runner up/ boys flag football divisional champ

Golf top 25 finish

Music Performance District Assessments,

3 chorus's superior ratings

orchestra- straight excellent ratings, Florida American Choral Director's Association 2023 Honor Choir- 8 members

Band

Our two jazz bands earned superior ratings.

All county band 23 members selected,

All county jazz 9 members selected.

202 individual superior ratings Solo & Ensemble

25 Industry Certification Accreditation in html or Scratch computer coding

Esports

State Semifinalists

2nd in district- forfeit the match due to the 8th grade dance.

The area that Ramblewood Middle would like to improve is in acceleration points pertaining to our school grade. To assist with this path, Ramblewood Middle provided additional high school classes to an ever-increasing percentage our student body. We are also offering opportunities for students to earn their industry certifications in computer coding and culinary arts.

Another area on which we would like to improve is reducing the gaps in achievement between some of our subgroup populations. Students having specific risk factors do not achieve at the same rate as those without. We will be using district resources and staff development opportunities to provide effective instructional practices to meet all of our students' needs.

Being an attractive option for students outside of our boundaries allows us to retain high quality teachers. However, it does present some challenges. A large number of our students come from elementary schools outside of our feeder pattern. This makes it difficult to vertically team with elementary schools to ensure our students come prepared for our middle school practices. In addition, it can be difficult for our students with disabilities to be matriculated and transition to our school due to communication challenges.

Additional Information

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

Ramblewood Middle School vertically plans and collaborates with its feeder elementary schools, as well as J.P. Taravella high school. Keeping with the District mission of scaling up BEST practices, our staff embodied that school improvement is based on continuous improvement and scaled up their teaching and learning by participating in our Annual "Teachers Opening Doors" (T.O.D.) initiative. Each year, we have many teachers open their classrooms and invite their colleagues in to showcase their lessons.