

Comments

(Please print)

I love Riverview!!!

Name: anonymous

Email Address: _____

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If the state appointed board has not had success why have they not been replaced?

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(Please print) I believe in the rebirth of Riverview

Gardens School District We are working

smart and hard with the students

and parents. We love our community

and it will not die. God is for us who can be

Name: againsts, Pamela Isley

Email Address: isley.pam@yaleo.com

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(Please print) We certainly need more time.

Goals are set and in place to
regain our accreditation. It

takes hard work, perseverance and

support from our parents, community, educators
Name: Collaborating toward this goal.

Email Address: Commitment is key.

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This district is doing more than most to educate and service children and their families. Let us lead.

Name: Ann Loureiro

Email Address: aloureiro@rgsd.k12.mo.us

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Instead of trying to eliminate
teachers, why not get rid of the entire
C.O. & every head principal & try to bring
in better qualified administration.

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We need more support,
flexibility, & understanding
for our teachers and staff

Name: Melvin Jones

Email Address: Melvin Jones 32@gmail.com

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I am very proud to have been able to further my education at Riverview Gardens. Riverview has prepared me for success.

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Email Address: marriroberts22@gmail.com

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(Please print) Riverview Gardens is
a great school we just
need more teachers that
really care about the school and
not the news:

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I believe in my school

I feel like with hard work

and dedication, we will

persevere.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | | |



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What are your plans for improving
the procedures for following through
and follow-up on issues that present
themselves on an everyday basis

Name: Eric Gray

Email Address: ericgray1997@gmail.com

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(Please print) ~~As a senior~~ ~~at Riverview~~, I feel
that being the last class to graduate
from RGHHS isn't a sufficient way to
leave a ~~good~~ legacy.

Name: Patrick Townes

Email Address: ptownes1@gmail.com

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(Please print) I am a student at
Riverview Gardens High and
I been in this District since
2nd grade and one thing I
can say is we make the District
Name: The District Don't make us.

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(Please print) *The parent at Riverwood
no want this evening thing
no what you're saying*

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Robert Holston

Name:

Pamela Fountain

Email Address:

PAFOUNTA@RCSD-1412

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RCSD-1412



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I RENEE JOHNSON would like
to say Riverview District is awesome
just need more LOVE to abide.

Name: Renee Johnson

Email Address: reneejune1964@gmail.com

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My son's performance has
increased since he transferred.
I support the student transfer.

Name: Nicola Bell

Email Address: St41n1Boyanoo.com

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(Please print) Riverview is a good
school district. Students
learn a lot. All I have to
say is Keep Riverview open!

Name: Essence Richee

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The school is a great school
and so is the district and its staff
plus the kids. I can say from being in
the district so long I've learned more here
than I would in any other district

Name: Maurice Coleman

Email Address: maurmac@gmail.com

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Riverview Gardens High School is a good school. This school has helped me become who I am now.

Name: Victoria Murphy

Email Address: _____

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Riverview IS ok. But some teachers are rude. Also the DSO's are rude and don't show respect.

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Email Address: eddiej_2314@yahoo.com

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(Please print)

I have Attended Riverview
gardens every since I was
in kid and I have learned
so much and still remember some

Name: Shawlise Tobias ^{of these}

Email Address: tobiasshawlise@yahoo

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The forum was an excellent idea, however, if it would have been held earlier in the process parents/Community would have been better informed before removing their children.

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RGSD Strong
Focus on students
and not money

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I am the parent of 3 male students who are 4th, 6th & 8th grade all who transferred in from an Accredited school district but have received SO MUCH MORE

Name: Marcia McDuffie • Riverview

Email Address: rocketlane@hotmail.com

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Why are we not pulling
together to keep what
so many that have work
hard to build.

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we need to step up dear???

- Equitable distribution of financial resources across St. Louis County -

- Resources for social/emotional issues

* Interventionists * for students

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Make our district better
for the children to come and
fill ~~the district~~ comfortable.

Name: Tamarco Love

Email Address: _____

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Busing/closing schools
is not the answer. We need
resources, smaller class
sizes, reading spec. Equitable
distribution of resources.

Name: Niketa Coleman

Email Address: ncoleman@rgsd.k12.mo.
us

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I am hopeful that
Chris Nicastro will permit
an opportunity for the open
forum/dialogue that Dr. Bush
(the last speaker of the evening) requested.

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This school district
can be spectacular if all
monies remain in the district

Name: Tajuan Shelton

Email Address: tajuanishelton@yahoo.com

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 Other: _____

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Riverview will always be my home, no matter where my path leads. I love my district even with it's flaws. GO RAMS. CO.14

Name: Devan Miller 12th Grade

Email Address: asparks2552@gmail.com

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No Comment

Why do we receive jail food?

Name:

Ashley Brown

Email Address:

ashleydenise9430@gmail.com

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Honestly Riverview is a wonderful school. Instead of watching whats happening on the outside, come and see whats on the inside.

Name: Deja Jones

Email Address: deja.jones24@gmail.com

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- Student Business Leader Surrounding Community
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(Please print)

I enjoy the
School And love
The Staff CS

Name: Ladie Brown

Email Address: _____

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My comment is that
I don't believe the
teachers have been given
the adequate support, materials,
and time to effectively reach
Name: our students.

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Comments

(Please print) I commend all of the hard work the teachers & staff are going to help us regain our accreditation and please allow us to use the points we have and give it back.

Name: Felicia McGee

Email Address: feliciamcgee@charter.net

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Well I'm a proud parent of a student who is in Honor Society and I think that Riverview is trying but we as parents also have responsibilities and if we do our part at home then it makes it better

Name: Tiana Fleming for the teachers to do their job

Email Address: flemongirl@gmail.com

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(Please print) Riverview Gardens School

district is improving. The process
is not an easy one and will not
happen overnight. It is significant →

Name: Eddisha Johnson

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that additional time is given to
achieve excellence.

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What can our community and parents do to support our children here in the district? We love our schools and are making great strides over

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Other:

HO President / Comm. Adv. Council member

for the long haul,

Comments

(Please print) We have new leadership I believe ~~we~~ we have what we need in place to get our accreditation back within 2 yrs. As a graduate & employee I am

Name: Carla Harris ~~over~~

Email Address: cmeharris@sbglobal.net

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- ^{former} Student
- Business Leader
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Proud of Riverview surviving all we have
had to endure. Please support us +
allow us time to improve. The
State appointed board I am sure
also recognizes the improvements.
Bring our students back, many are
saying the learning is less than
they received here.

Tena Wilson

“My name is Tena Wilson and my son Jordan is in 7th grade in the Kirkwood School District. I have been living in the Riverview Gardens School District since 2001 when I purchased my home. My older son graduated from Riverview Gardens High School back in 2009 so I have been in the district for quite a while. I have watched the community and schools go downhill over the years.

“When my older son was in school, he rarely had books and when he did they were out-of-date. My younger son Jordan may have had some books at school but I certainly never saw any come home. I was lucky that he had good teachers but I was concerned about the lack of resources, large class sizes, and out of control behavior in the classroom. I knew my child would have better opportunities in the Kirkwood School District so how could I not transfer school districts to give my child the best education possible?

“What bothers me is that we have known about these problems for years but it wasn't until money was leaving the district that people wanted to address the issues at hand. Where was everyone all these years while the district was declining? I attended the community meetings before the transfer asking parents to remain in the district, but I felt very uncertain in Riverview's ability to get back on track in time for my son to get a quality education.

“We are very happy with our decision to transfer. Jordan has online homework, there are better student-to-teacher ratios, and the principles and teachers have been very welcoming and inclusive. The only challenge we are still adjusting to is transportation. We used to be able to walk to school but now we are waiting in the dark in the mornings for the bus. I am lucky that my job is flexible enough for me to wait in the mornings with my son and go into work later but that is not the case for many parents. Even though it has been a sacrifice, it has been well worth it for the all of the educational opportunities my child now has. The transfer program must continue until Riverview Gardens can provide our children with the high quality education that they all deserve.”

Denise Morehouse

“My name is Denise Morehouse and I reside in the Riverview Gardens School District. Our daughter Alana currently attends Remington in the Pattonville School District. She is in the 8th grade.

These are the reasons we felt it was necessary for her to transfer:

- lack of homework in Riverview Gardens School District,
- too many disruptive students,
- low passing rate for many students taking MAP tests,
- lack of resources, like school books,
- no confidence in the overall school curriculum, and
- lack of extracurricular activities.

“Although we are very happy with Alana’s new school, we are here to seek support in regards to transportation. We love the school she transferred to but it is a challenge getting her there and picking her up. We ask that as you are looking for ways to improve the transfer program and education for the children in the Riverview Gardens’ school district, that you consider ways for all children to have access to transportation. I’m certain there is a way for all the districts and the state to come up with a way to provide transportation across districts lines to all students in unaccredited districts for students who want to transfer.”

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Missmollie Thomas and I am a 2008 graduate of Riverview Gardens School District. As I reflect on my matriculation through the school district, I have nothing but positive experiences to express. Although I've encountered ups and downs (as any student would), it's the "up's" that I treasure and implement into my life daily. I can only imagine the thoughts going through many of my former instructors and administrator's heads as the reader said my name. For those that don't know me, I must admit that I wasn't the idol student when it came to my behavior and I was only slightly above average when it came to my academics. In my opinion, I made it easy for my teachers to give up on me as a student, but they didn't, instead they checked and redirected me in which I must say lead to much of my success today. I am now a senior at Tennessee State University who will be graduating on May 10, 2014 with a degree in Early Childhood Education. I believe whole-heartedly that I wouldn't be where I am today if it wasn't for my instructors knowing my worth. In fact, months after I graduated I received a courtesy call from Mrs. Traci Nave; I explained to her that I chose not attend the universities I was accepted into with no valid reason as to why. Mrs. Nave sincerely reminded me of my worth then turned around and made sure that I was admitted and enrolled in a university before the next semester could begin. The fact that my instructors and administrators refused to let me evolve into a product of my environment speaks volume and this component of RGSD need to remain in the community that needs it the most. Students need the genuine care from teachers like Mrs. Joann Klees, the discipline from Mr. Jerry Anthony, they still need to hear the voice Ms. Wright every morning saying "Good Morning future leaders", this community needs all the assets Riverview Gardens School District has to offer. The students in the RGSD do not need to be given up on; they need this district just as much as they need guidance and I am 100% sure that guidance rests within every instructor in each school. I aspire to one day become an instructor at my alma mater and give students the same love, attention, guidance and care that was once given to me as a student within the same walls. I will not be able to fulfill my aspirations if I have no alma mater to return to. With that being said, I strongly believe that **dissolution is not the solution** and we must reevaluate this decision before we give up on students who need this district the most.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to voice the forgotten and unrepresented opinion of the graduates and/or alumni of the Riverview Gardens School District. I think it is important to remember that the future situation regarding the district not only affects the current students and faculty, but it also affects the past students and faculty who have seen this district shape some extraordinary and exceptional young men and women.

I have practically been in the Riverview Gardens School District all of my life. I began my journey in the 2nd grade at Gibson Elementary. I later attended Central Middle School and the Riverview Gardens High School, graduating with the Class of 2008. I am now not only a first generation college graduate, but I am currently a second year law student at a predominantly white law school. Maya Angelou once said, "We delight in the beauty of the butterfly, but rarely admit the changes it has gone through to achieve that beauty." Many people delight in the beauty of me being in law school, but I am proud to say that I am that beautiful butterfly partly because of the many changes I have gone through within the Riverview Gardens school district.

I am able to read and write well enough to even survive law school because of my foundation at Riverview Gardens. With the help of the ACT Prep program that was implemented at the high school, I graduated with a 24 ACT score, when other private school students were receiving only an 18. It was my high school English teacher, at Riverview Gardens, that instilled a level of comprehension within me that would allow me to graduate magna cum laude as an English major. It was my high school principal, at Riverview Gardens, who helped guide me toward the steps I needed to take to get into law school. It was several of my high school counselors, at Riverview Gardens, who waived numerous college application fees so that I could be college bound and have the opportunity to apply to each and every college of my choice.

I have said all this to say that Riverview Gardens students can learn and I am a walking example of that. The District can and does continue to produce exceptional students and because of this, the decision to dissolve the district should not be taken lightly. The fact that the Riverview Gardens District is still standing, even after all it has been through, only shows that there is a great and promising plan for its future. To take away that future would destroy any chance for past students to look back and give back to a school that has already given them so much. I am asking that concern of the graduates and/or alumni be considered and that more importantly, we are seen as living proof of what this district can do.

With Kind Regards,

Breanna Pendilton, Class of 2008.