



Layer Elementary School (LRES)

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A Word From Our Principal

The Layer Community is dedicated to developing lifelong learners through academic exploration, positive behavior, and creative thinking so that we become productive citizens of the future. This school report outlines the key characteristics of our school from both an academic and non-academic perspective. I hope it helps you understand what makes Layer unique. Please reach out to us if you have any questions about our school.

Cheryl Nicholas

What Makes Us Special

- We are a community school with a very active PTA and SAC. Numerous activities are provided throughout the school year for students and their families.
- Layer Elementary School has a Chorus, Recorder Group, Art Club, Safety Patrol and Cross Country Track Team.
- Layer Elementary School has desktop computers, laptop computers, iPads and interactive projection devices in every classroom.

Advanced Academics

Program of Rigorous Integrated Mathematics for Elementary Students (PRIMES) is available for mathematically talented students in grades 4 through 5.

Family Engagement 2019-2020 Data



Dividends is the volunteer program for SCPS.

Our incredible Layer volunteers gave **3,339** hours of their time to support students.

Technology and the Future



- Students are introduced to new technologies and activities designed to build their problem-solving, logical thinking, and collaboration skills.
- Students participate in STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) of their choice for two semesters.
- Computer Science 2020 - Our students participate in at least 10 hours of computer science learning each school year.

Student Achievement 2019-2020 Data

- All students in grades K-5 participate in English and Language Arts (ELA) and Math iReady progress monitoring. **54%** of K-5 students were on or above grade level in ELA and **51%** of K-5 students were on or above grade level in Math.
- The Star Early Literacy Assessment is administered to kindergarten students at the beginning of each school year. **53%** of students demonstrated kindergarten readiness compared to the state average of 54%.

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Layer Elementary School earned a B grade from the Florida DOE in 2019

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- The Layer PTA has been recognized at the State and District level for award winning programs.
- Layer Elementary School has teachers recognized as High Impact Teachers.
- Layer Elementary School received the Five Star School Award.
- 50% of the instructional staff at Layer Elementary School have advanced degrees.
- Layer Elementary consistently scores above state averages as measured by state assessments.
- Opportunities for students include News Crew, Safety Patrol, Robotics, Chorus, Runners and Art Club.

Future Middle School Pathways for Our Students



Indian Trails: 87%

Greenwood Lakes: 38%

For additional pathways see [Student Assignment and Program Access](#)

School Health and Safety

The health, safety and security of staff and students is our top priority. We follow CDC COVID mitigation strategies and work closely with local, state, and federal agencies to ensure a sanitized and safe environment for your child's learning. Our School Resource Officer is Tina Riggio with the Seminole County Sheriffs Department.



The SpeakOut program provides three 24-hour monitored services that allows students, parents, or community members to anonymously report concerns. www.speakouthotline.org

77% of student respondents would recommend LRES



93% of parent respondents would recommend LRES



Here's what students and parents say they like about Layer:

" I like the how hard the teachers are very hardworking and nice and willing to do anything to help the students. "

5th Grade Student

" What I like about layer is STEAM team and the fun run. "

4th Grade Student

" I like how there is awesome teachers and students. "

4th Grade Student

" I like that the teachers engage with the children rather than just teaching. "

5th Grade Student

" Incredible teachers and level of excellence demonstrated by the school. "

3rd Grade Parent

" The teachers, the PTA, the campus is clean and well kept, the amount of activities scheduled for the students "

2nd Grade Parent

" Wonderful teachers. Small environment. Good PTA and involved parents and smart and diverse kids. "

4th Grade Parent

" The 5th grade teachers are AMAZING. The administration is very fair and consistent. "

5th Grade Parent