



# Red Bug Elementary School (RBES)

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An "A" Rated School District

## A Word From Our Principal

We are a community school serving a diverse population of approximately 800 students with an emphasis on rigorous academics, extra-curricular activities and family involvement. 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 Red Bug unique. Please reach out to us if you have any questions about our school.

*Christine Sharpe*

### What Makes Us Special

- Red Bug earned the state of Florida Positive Behavior Intervention Support Gold Model School Status designation in 2019 by promoting and demonstrating BUGS behavior.
- Red Bug staff and students rated our school as Well Organized in all components of the Five Essentials, school improvement survey, which is the highest level that can be achieved.
- Students have the opportunity to participate in the Dual Language program in which classes are taught in both English and Spanish languages. Students also learn about Hispanic countries and culture.

### 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

Dividends is the volunteer program for SCPS.

Our incredible Red Bug volunteers gave **11,445** hours of their time to support students.

### Technology and the Future



- Students are introduced to new technologies and activities designed to build their problemsolving, logical thinking, and collaboration skills.
- Teachers and students chose the ePathways Growing Quadrant as our focus in 2019. We will increase our self-awareness, adaptability, and perseverance!
- 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. **66%** of K-5 students were on or above grade level in ELA and **57%** 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. **64%** of students demonstrated kindergarten readiness compared to the state average of 54%.

# B

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

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- Red Bug earned the 2019 Golden School and 5 Star School status.
- Students will be Future Ready with STEM, utilizing collaborative, out-of-the-box thinking to solve real world problems.
- Our students have the opportunity to perform in an orchestra, complete with violins, cello, flute, and percussion.
- Our Odyssey of the Mind teams compete at the regional and state levels. Our team placed first in the 2020 regional competition.
- Our highly involved PTA raises funds to promote academics and to sponsor events such as the Spring Fling dance.
- We have high participation at our signature events, such as Muffins with Mom, Donuts with Dad and Family Picnic.

**Future Middle School Pathways for Our Students**



**Tuskawilla:** 79%

**South Seminole:** 16%

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 William McCaffrey 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](http://www.speakouthotline.org)

**81% of student respondents would recommend RBES**



**93% of parent respondents would recommend RBES**



**Here's what students and parents say they like about Red Bug:**

" I like the teachers,students,and staff because they are welcoming and nice. "

4th Grade Student

" Welcoming staff and administration. Plenty of activities. Great teachers. Overall excellent environment. "

2nd Grade Parent

" I like the nice teachers and I know I am safe at the school. Also I love the type of activities I get to do. "

5th Grade Student

" Quality of educators, development of programs like Stem in specials, active PTA, events, and weekly communication. "

3rd Grade Parent

" I like how Red Bug teachers and staff are always positive and willing to help. "

5th Grade Student

" Excellent teachers, a wonderful, supportive environment for students, beautiful campus "

5th Grade Parent

" I love what I am learning and I love the teachers at the school. "

4th Grade Student

" Very friendly staff, teachers and principals. My son loves going to school. "

1st Grade Parent