

WE ARE A SCHOOL where students thrive thanks to small class sizes that allow our teachers to focus on each student's individualized needs. With high success rates, our programs are appropriately and academically challenging and designed to foster student confidence.



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— RIVERSIDE STUDENT



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Riverside School is a private, non-profit organization that admits students of any race, color, creed or national or ethnic origin.



Riverside
SCHOOL

Riverside School is Virginia's most trusted school for students with dyslexia in grades K-8.

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Riverside School provides a tailored curriculum and utilizes the Orton-Gillingham Approach to support the needs of students in grades K-8 with dyslexia and similar language-based learning differences.

Riverside teachers are exceptionally well-prepared to educate children with different learning needs. The result? Students can realize their highest potential.



Riverside provides an environment with highly committed, experienced, and creative faculty who have access to the latest research, best practices, and technological resources.

OUR MISSION: Riverside School transforms the lives of students with dyslexia and similar language-based learning differences while supporting a community of highly trained teachers and staff who specialize in educating these students to their highest potential.

OUR PROFILE

- Year Established:** 1974
- Grades:** K-8
- Enrollment Capacity:** 80-plus students
- Faculty / Staff:** 44
- Student-Teacher Ratio:** 1:1 Language Fundamentals; 10:1 average classroom
- Financial Information:** Tuition information is online. Financial aid and adjusted payment plans are available.
- Facilities:** Four academic buildings include comfortable classrooms, library, gymnasium, art studio, one-on-one Language Fundamentals rooms, as well as an open courtyard and commons area.



Co-curricular activities include physical education, art, music, library, and ballroom dance. Riverside students enjoy after-school pursuits such as sports, arts, and technology.

THE ORTON-GILLINGHAM (O-G) APPROACH

Our teachers utilize the principles of the Orton-Gillingham (O-G) Approach, a research validated approach to reading instruction. All Riverside teachers are specially and extensively trained in the O-G Approach. This approach serves as the foundation for our program and is fully integrated into classroom core subject instruction.

The O-G Approach is...

- ▶ Cognitive
- ▶ Direct and Explicit
- ▶ Structured, Sequential, and Cumulative
- ▶ Multisensory
- ▶ Emotionally Sound
- ▶ Diagnostic and Prescriptive



LANGUAGE FUNDAMENTALS

Our hallmark one-on-one Language Fundamentals instruction uses the O-G Approach to build close teacher-student relationships to allow for continuous feedback and positive reinforcement, leading to a high success rate, increased self-confidence, and a bright future for your child.