**Executive Summary 2016-2017**

1. **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 located in the city of Coral Springs, Florida. There are currently 1,240 sixth to eighth grade enrolled students. Despite the availability of new charter schools in the area, Ramblewood Middle’s student enrollment has slightly increased over the last three years. The number of open seats available has increased for the 2016 – 2017 school year, to 240 seats. From 2008 throughout the present school year, Ramblewood Middle School has been designated a Title 1 school. Currently, Ramblewood Middle School is a B-Rated school.

59% of students receive free and/or reduced lunch. 59.3 % of students are White. 29.1 % of students are Black/African American. 30.5 % of the students are Hispanic. .06 % of the students are Multi-Racial. 0.3% of the students are Asian and 0.1% are Native American or Native Indian.

Our community is constantly changing as our population grows and diversifies. Over the last several years, Ramblewood Middle School has been the number one choice, within Broward County, for middle school reassignments. At Ramblewood Middle, we pride ourselves on welcoming all students and embrace every individual who comes to our campus.

**Schools Purpose**

1. **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. Our CAPE Academy is designed to prepare students for engineering careers through rigorous curriculum integrated with math and science process skills and project based learning. This program holds high standards emphasizing integrity, communication, academic excellence, real world connections and a passion for life-long learning. 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**

1. **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.**

Notable Achievements and Areas of Improvement:

Last year Ramblewood Middle School became an Innovative School for S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Math Engineering, Arts and Technology). We added additional classes for the Arts, including a high school credit culinary class. This 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:

- Media Communication class received 2nd place against all high school public service announcements.

- 1st place in Guy Harvey poster contest

- Two students placed in State Honors Band

- Twenty-four students made All County Band

- Six students made All County Jazz Band

- Twenty-nine students were selected in the Young Musicians Honor Band

- Student recognized in Sun Sentinel for "Kid of Character"

- Raised over $1,000 for "Hoops for Hearts"

- "Speak the Truth" Tribecca Film Festival Competition: Silver and Gold Award for Production

- Drama one act "The Orphan Train" received straight Superiors at the District level Junior International Thespian Society Festival for performance and tech

- Drama received 1 Critics Choice, 9 Superiors and 17 Excellents at the District level Junior International Thespian Society Festival

- Finished 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place at Carl Sagan Day Rocketry contest

- Second place in the first Regional SeaPerch competition

- Entering FAU-UAV Drone Nationals in May

- Art Program - Links: 1st Place Nationals 2015

- Art Program - Choose Peace Campaign: 1st Place 2015

- Art Program - Peace Pole Dedication 2015

- Art Program - Chalk 4 Peace 2015

- Art Program - Published Book Illustrations 2015

- Third place in individual documentary - district history fair competition

- Fourth place in individual website - district history fair competition

- Third place in group website - district history fair competition

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 including more of our student body. Moreover, we will be using our SMART Bond monies to improve our technology infrastructure, bridge our computer gap and improve our wireless network. These monies will also expand our Media Center and renovate our STEM lab.

**Additional Information**

1. **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 JPT high school on a quarterly basis. Furthermore, we are the highest ranked middle school in our SES Band for Civics. Last year, our teachers hosted a collaboration with other middle schools in our SES band to share best practices and ideas. Additionally, 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 "First Annual Teachers Opening Doors (T.O.D.). Twenty-six teachers opened their classrooms and invited their colleagues in to showcase their lessons.