Parkside Elementary

Parkside CARES—for Ourselves, Others, Our Learning, Our School

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Welcome to Parkside Elementary

Parkside Elementary offers a warm, welcoming environment and a tradition of educational excellence in the heart of Buffalo. The school vision unites students, staff, parents and volunteers in a common purpose: to "Care, Connect, Inspire and Grow." Students learn to "Care" for learning, each other, their school and themselves. They "Connect" to one another through a strong sense of community in their classrooms, and by partnering with one another across age levels through various mentoring opportunities. Staff members "Inspire" students in creative ways to see future possibilities, and to "Grow" intellectually, socially and emotionally. "My daughters absolutely love Parkside. When kids look forward to going to school each day, the teachers must be doing something right! I believe the faculty here goes above and beyond to ensure each student feels like they belong and that they matter."

—Pam, parent



What Makes Parkside Unique

Nurturing Environment

We embrace the Positive Behavior Interventions and Support framework, which provides clear expectations and



rewards for positive student behavior. Building relationships with students is an important part of that process. We celebrate with our family Bingo Days, our Family Fun Festival and our annual school party. Our students also have opportunities build leadership skills through multi-age buddy and mentoring programs.

Special Learning Opportunities

Students enjoy extra enrichment opportunities in music, physical education and the arts that provide exciting



pathways to learn and grow. Popular before-school features like Mindful Melodies, Morning Movers and Creative Corner help students start the day off right. In the spring, students showcase a variety of their work during Parkside Pride Day.

Student-Centered Learning

Small-group instruction allows students to work at their own pace and ensures each child's learning needs are met. Individualized learning enhances engagement and



promotes student achievement. Parkside is home to the district-wide Quest program, serving highly gifted students in grades 2-5. In addition, Title I instruction and Targeted Services after-school programs support qualifying students.

Meaningful Use of Technology

We believe in meaningful use of technology to support and extend learning. Coding lessons provide our students with extra enrichment and additional hands-on learning experiences.



Healthy Bodies Healthy Minds

Physical movement is built into our daily routine in the form of recess, Brain Breaks and Morning Movers. Teachers use a variety of activities to teach students about the mind/body connection. Activities include calming strategies, stretching exercises, quick energy bursts and brain training.

Parent Involvement

We value parent support and involvement, recognizing its importance in a child's education. Parents help in many ways, from volunteering in the classroom to helping raise funds to supporting family events throughout the year. Our Parent/Teacher Organization helps parents get involved to actively support the students and staff in a variety of ways.

Other Important Information

Transportation: Vision Transportation of Buffalo provides bus service for BHM Schools. Families get free busing to Parkside and can designate up to one alternate location, such as daycare or a relative's house, for pick-up and dropoff. Contact Vision of Buffalo at 763.682.3232 for routing and other information.

KidKare: On-site KidKare extends your child's learning day while providing high-quality care in a safe and fun environment. KidKare



is offered before and after school, full days on most nonschool days, and during the summer. Call 763.682.8787 for more information.



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