

# Just the Facts



## Pleasant Hill Elementary

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## Curriculum

The Elementary Staff is committed to implementing the Missouri Learning Standards and District Curriculum with fidelity. The curriculum will be engaging and rigorous in order to prepare our students to be college and career ready.

## What You Can Expect

- Weekly communication from the teacher
- Bi-monthly communication from building administration
- An active parent organization
- Gifted program-PHYRE
- Before and after school child care (at Primary School)
- Clubs: Student Leadership, Art Club, Fitness Club, Coding, Music Makers, Girls on the Run
- Positive Behavior Expectations
- Celebration Assemblies
- Building-Wide Instructional Themes
- Problem Based Learning
- Collaborative Culture
- A tutoring program to meet student needs
- Community Connections
- Workshop Model for Reading and Writing

## Student Evaluation

Student progress is reported by curriculum standards and progress reports are sent home each quarter. Reporting on student progress provides considerable feedback to not only parents, but students as well. This creates a shift from points earned to skills acquired. The focus will be on student growth based on each standard measured. Your student's learning is assessed using a variety of formative and summative assessments. These may include but are not limited to: assessments, conferring between students and teachers, and teacher observations. Students are given benchmark assessments three times a year using Illuminate to evaluate mastery of the Missouri Learning Standards. District Common Benchmark Assessments are also administered throughout the year. In the spring, the MAP test will be given as well. Individual MAP scores are sent home to parents and grade level results are published and compared with state averages. The staff of PHES will analyze data on a regular basis to improve our instructional practices.

## Communication with Parents

A Student-Parent Handbook detailing building rules and regulations is distributed at the beginning of each year. Weekly newsletters are distributed by the classroom teacher and Parent-teacher conferences are scheduled at the end of the first nine weeks of school. However, a conference can be requested at anytime throughout the year. A monthly newsletter will be distributed from the office as well. A newsletter from the principal and a upcoming dates are sent home twice a month.

## Close-up

### Grade Levels

Grade 3-4

### Enrollment

353

### Student-Teacher Ratio

26:1

### Personnel

- 1 Administrator
- 1 Aide
- 1 Nurse
- 1 Counselor
- 1 Librarian
- 14 Classroom Teachers
- 1 Physical Ed. Teacher
- 1 Art Teacher
- 1 Music Teacher
- 1 Teacher of Gifted
- 1 Instructional Coach
- 3 Special Ed. Teachers
- 1 Dist. Speech Therapist
- 1 ESL Teacher
- 2 Secretaries
- 3 Custodians

## MISSION STATEMENT

*Pleasant Hill Elementary School creates an authentic learning environment that promotes communication, collaboration, creativity and critical thinking. We foster the growth of the whole child. Staff, families and the community support and respect one another to create an environment in which students will thrive.*