



# Just the Facts

## Pleasant Hill Primary School

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### Close-up

#### Grade Levels

Pre-Kindergarten  
through Grade Two

#### Enrollment

515

#### Student-Teacher Ratio

19:1

#### Personnel

1 Administrator  
1 Administrative Intern  
12 Aides  
1 Nurse  
1 Counselor  
1 Librarian  
26 Classroom Teachers  
1 Physical Ed. Teacher  
1 Art Teacher  
1 Music Teacher  
1 Teacher of Gifted  
5 Special Ed. Teachers  
2 Title 1 Reading  
1 Title 1 Pre-School  
Teacher  
3 Parents As Teacher  
Educators  
2 Dist. Speech Therapists  
2 Secretaries  
3 Custodians  
1 Lunchroom Monitor  
1 Childcare Director

**OUR MOTTO: EVERY  
STUDENT, EVERY DAY!**

### Philosophy of Discipline

As a PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) School, we believe that all children can exhibit appropriate behavior when those behaviors have been explicitly taught. As a building we have set common expectations for our building, and teachers explicitly teach, model, reteach, and reinforce those expectations. We believe in being proactive and preventative through early intervention. We believe in differentiating our interventions based on students' needs.

### Student Evaluation

Student progress in Kindergarten through Grade Two is evaluated in terms of grade level objectives and teacher observations. Screeners are administered to students 4 times a year, and Benchmark assessments are administered 3 times a year to measure students' progress in reading and math. We use Standards Based Reporting for our progress reports.

### Building Programs

- PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports)
- RtI (Response to Intervention)
- Parent-Teacher Organization
- Title 1 Reading/Title 1 Pre-School
- All-Day Kindergarten
- Gifted Program—PHYRE (*Grade 2*)
- Before & After School Child Care
- Super Citizens and PBIS Awards
- Character Education
- Monthly Assemblies—Student Recognition
- Before and After school tutoring program
- Field Trips, Annual Park Day, Field Day
- Grade Level Music Programs
- 1st and 2nd Grade Choir
- Scholastic Book Fair
- Holiday Shop
- Muffins & Mittens in the Morning
- Donuts with Grown-ups
- Student Success Center

### Communication with Parents

Parent communication is vital to the learning process and the success of the student. A Student-Parent Handbook is distributed at the beginning of each year and is available online. Monthly newsletters are emailed to families. Parent-teacher conferences are held in the fall and as needed throughout the year.

