

# MCKINLEY ELEMENTARY

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## School Profile

McKinley Elementary School, built in 1968 serves more than 600+ children in grades 4K-6 with several additional programs including Early Childhood, English Language Learners, Newcomers and Special Education that support students. We have a long-standing tradition of being service-oriented, teaching to the whole child and student-centered. We are a Title I school and with the additional support, we focus on closing achievement gaps and ensuring student growth annually.

## What makes McKinley special?

We are a dedicated staff, supportive community and have been educating students for more than 45 years! McKinley Elementary School has a long standing tradition of providing an academic rich learning experience for students. We enjoy a strong parent and community support, with rich and diverse cultural backgrounds that enhance learning. **Our commitment to student success and individual growth was recently reflected as an increase on our 2015 School Report Card deeming us a school that significantly exceeds expectations.**



## Innovative

McKinley Elementary block scheduling allows time for students to receive additional support for their educational needs; we call it (WIN) or What I Need. This schedule provides grade level teachers time for collaboration to closely monitor student progress and to plan lessons for student success.

## Assessment Wall

Grade level teachers, the building principal, reading interventionist, instructional coach and student services personnel all collaborate around the effectiveness of interventions and enrichment of all students using an electronic assessment/data wall. All staff members remain focused on individual student success and educating the whole child.

## Building Character

McKinley staff members strive to meet the needs of all learners by addressing individual academic, social, and emotional needs. Our ultimate goal is to prepare them for the 21st Century world they will eventually enter. We teach character education classes (social skills) based on behavioral data to proactively insure a safe, respectful and responsible school climate. We were one of the first buildings in the district to pilot PBIS, Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports, a framework for our character education. We are proud to announce that we received the **School of Distinction Award** for our participation and fidelity of implementing this program for multiple years running.

## Kids Get Involved at McKinley

### Co-CURRICULAR, CLUBS and OFFERINGS

- Service Club
- Running Club
- Intramurals
- Choir/Orchestra/Band
- Battle of the Books
- Playground Peers
- The MJ's ~ School Musical
- Ski Club
- Safety Patrol
- YMCA Before/After-School Care
- Peer Mentors
- P.E. Pals

## A School with a Heart

We are very fortunate to have a strong PTA and community support. Through their efforts, over \$10,000 was donated in the 2013-14 school year to our school to add more technology to each of our classrooms. They continue to support our efforts and have provide thousands dollars towards technology, fitness equipment, classroom books as well as other initiatives to support teaching and learning here at McKinley.



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