

Welcome to River Bend

At River Bend Elementary we are proud to promote and celebrate every individual.

At River Bend, we celebrate the uniqueness of each student, while working to build a collaborative environment focused on a strong sense of belonging and high levels of learning. It is our hope and goal to provide opportunities that allow students to transfer their knowledge to new situations beyond the classroom and school. We want our learning to last a lifetime!

At River Bend, we are a community. You can feel that the minute you enter our building. We welcome all students and work to ensure that each student, be them new or returning, feels they are an irreplaceable part of our community. Students of River Bend strive to reach their potential academically, socially, and emotionally through the continual encouragement and instruction by the faculty, parents, and community members. Teachers work in partnership with students to maintain a peaceful community by teaching strategies to build belonging and resolve conflicts.

In our diverse environment, a strong emphasis is given to humanization and celebrating each individual through a culture of dignity. River Bend is a learning place in which students and their stories from around the world are included in classrooms. As a result, students are surrounded by learning opportunities where diversity, equity and inclusion are expected, encouraged and embraced.



River Bend is dedicated to the achievement of all students. A strong focus on differentiation, (teachers building on individual strengths of students), is evident throughout the building. We believe in meeting each student where they are, but also hold the crown high for all learners. We want to prepare them not just for the next thing, but anything. Our teachers understand that learning makes them better for their students. Therefore, they are committed to continual growth personally and professionally, and they are supported through professional learning opportunities in the school, district, and beyond.

Partnerships with our families are an integral part of the River Bend community. The truth is, we couldn't do this without the amazing families that call River Bend home. Our staff know and understand that it is the collective effort of these partnerships that helps to move and grow kids. We have an incredibly supportive and generous PTO who work hand-in-hand with us to make this school an amazing place for all kids.

This handbook serves as a guide to the procedures of how we work and play at River Bend. Our structures and routines continually evolve with the input of our learning community.

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