



# **CRAIG**

## E L E M E N T A R Y   S C H O O L

**PARKWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
1492 Craig Road, St. Louis MO 63146  
Principal: David Duckworth  
Assistant Principal: Berin Waller  
School Mascot: "Moonlight" the Owl

### **ABOUT CRAIG:**

Craig Elementary houses one of the most culturally diverse student populations in the Parkway School District. Craig's English as a Second Language program, comprising over 18 percent of the student population, serves students who speak one of 24 different languages and come from 28 foreign countries.

In addition to teaching the board approved curriculum great care is taken in teaching our students expected behaviors in order to create a safe and structured learning environment. These building wide expectations are all aligned with our five Core Values and can be found in our Parent/Student Handbook. Our Craig Core Values are: Respect, Responsibility, Integrity, Caring, and Empathy.

### **CRAIG HISTORY:**

Craig was established in 1966. Craig School is located on Craig Road, which was named for the Craig family of farmers and property owners in the area. The two Craig sons, Jesse and James, fought on opposite sides of the Civil War. Craig's opening, along with other Parkway construction, was delayed due to a sheet metal strike. To complicate matters, more students enrolled than were anticipated, so several classes were housed across the street from the school at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church.

### **RECENT AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS:**

- Recognized by Character.org as a National School of Character (2016)
- Recognized by Character.org as a Missouri State School of Character (2016)
- Recognized by Character.org (formerly the Character Education Partnership) with multiple Promising Practice Awards (2013, 2014 & 2016)
- Recognized for Service Learning programming by CharacterPlus & Cardinals Care as the area Elementary Champions for Character winner (2015)
- Recognized as the Cleanest North Area Elementary in Parkway (2014-2015, 2015-2016)
- Recognized as #1 Recycling Elementary in Parkway (2014-2015, 2015-2016)
- Recognized as a Top Composting School (2015-2016)

### **PRINCIPALS OF CRAIG:**

**Russell Bastian: 1966 - 1970**  
**Verlin Dunker: 1970 - 1984**  
**John Murphy: 1984 - 1986**  
**Jaclyn Levy: 1986 - 1996**  
**Michelle Jones: 1996 – 2009**  
**Nicole Evans: 2009 – 2012**  
**Bill Senti: 2012 – 2017**  
**David Duckworth: 2017-Present**

### **ENROLLMENT:**

**Original: 343 students (1966)**  
**Peak: 742 students (1971)**  
**Current: 450 students (2016)**