

# EASTOVER

## What We Love About Eastover

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### **SIZE AND COMMUNITY**

Eastover is a small, welcoming neighborhood school where class and grade size tend to be smaller than the CMS average. We typically have four kindergarten classes ranging from 20 to 22 students, and the total student body averages around 450. We are also home to the highest enrollment of K-5 visually impaired students in the state! We are the only school in CMS to teach Braille. Many families live within walking or bike riding distance, and families often linger to play together on the playground long after the dismissal bell rings.

### **WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT**

Family participation of all kinds is appreciated and encouraged! Beyond just parents, you will often see parents and grandparents helping with tutoring, in the library, at our social events, or just having lunch in the cafeteria. Staff, teachers, families and students take extra special effort to welcome new students and families and make all feel included through family events and information sessions. Many of our teachers are parents of current students or Eastover alumni. Rising kindergarteners and their parents have the opportunity to visit the school each spring as part of Beginner's Day and continue to get to know one another through fun activities over the summer.

### **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

Our teachers strive to learn new methods of teaching in our fast-paced, technological times. Classroom teachers, our literacy facilitator and our Talent Development director work as a team to ensure that each student has the right tools to succeed. Each week features visits to each of our "Specials", which include Art, Media, Music, Spanish and Physical Education. Our administrators have an open-door policy and encourage dialogue and feedback.

### **WELL-ROUNDED EXPERIENCE**

There is so much more to an education than just academics. At Eastover Elementary, students are part of a balanced, diverse population that participates in a wide range of activities, in and out of the classroom. Every day starts with a live broadcast from the WEE5 News Team, which is entirely student run and features the weather report, special announcements and a uniform check. Students across all grades participate in off-campus field trips throughout the year. All 3rd-5th grade students are invited to participate in Chorus before school, and an After School Enrichment Program is offered through an application process.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

At Eastover, we love to encourage relationship-building and community through Special Events! Our Fall Fun Day, Book Fair, Bingo Night, Teacher vs. Student Basketball, Mother/Son & Father/ Daughter parties provide wonderful opportunities for students to create memories with their classmates and families.