

Elvehjem Elementary School

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Location

Elvehjem is located in a close knit neighborhood between Buckeye Road and Cottage Grove Road. The spacious grounds abut a city park and the Elvehjem Sanctuary and Park.

Elvehjem takes pride in being a neighborhood school. Most students live within walking distance. One school bus transports students from the Richmond Hills and Grandview Commons Neighborhoods and vans transport special needs students.

Class Size

Total school enrollment is 395, with 17 classrooms and one classroom of Early Childhood students.

Achievement Scores

On measures of reading and math achievement, Elvehjem students consistently score above national and state norms and among the top elementary schools in the city.

Natural Sciences

Along with classroom activities, students at Elvehjem enjoy walking field trips to neighboring environmental areas which host hiking trails through the woods and a conical effigy mound. The Acewood Pond is home to many microorganisms and the nesting site for many birds and animals.

Multi-age or Looping Classes

The structure of class groups is varied at Elvehjem. At Elvehjem we have traditional Kindergarten classes and a K/1 multiage classroom. We also have two first grade classrooms. All 2/3 classes and 4/5 classes are multiage classrooms. These multiage classrooms allow students to "loop" with the same teacher for more than one year, giving consistency in programming and relationship development. Multiage classrooms are seamless classrooms, blending the curriculum and standards of two grade levels into one classroom environment where traditional grade level boundaries are absent. Multiage teachers work to ensure that children receive targeted teaching in all of the content areas.

Technology

All the computers at Elvehjem are networked together. The Computer Lab is equipped with 26 personal computers. All students receive one hour of computer and library instruction each week. Most classrooms have two computers. Fourth grade students learn keyboarding. Students of all ages access the Internet safely and learn how technology is a part of learning. The Library Media Center (LMC) has computers, CD ROM and the Internet.