



SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

At Michael J. Castori Elementary School, we are focused on fulfilling our mission to provide every child an unwavering focus on powerful and engaging learning experiences that will prepare them for college, career, and life success. We know these goals cannot be achieved without the strong support of our parents, our most important partners. We host family Coffee and Conversation, Parent University seminars, and trimester assemblies to celebrate our students and their achievements.



FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

We also offer exciting community events with our families such as:

- 6th Grade promotion ceremony
- Academic Achievement recognition each trimester
- Back-to-School Night/Open House
- Elementary school sports
- Festival of the Arts
- Monthly Attendance/PAWSITIVE Behavior recognition
- Reading & Literacy Night/Book Fairs



NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program
- Second Chance Breakfast offered at first recess
- Student Leadership opportunities for grades 4-6
- Full-time counselor to support students
- PBIS Implementation Gold Award
- Social/Emotional Learning Support for all students
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) for all students
- Multi-Tiered Systems of Support for all students (MTSS)
- Engaging PE materials

Students also have opportunities to expand their horizons by getting involved in programs such as:

- Sports: basketball, soccer, track and cheerleading
- After school clubs: Yoga, Robotics, Student Leadership, Drama, and Dance



EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

- Common Core State Standards (CCSS)
- Monthly staff professional development
- After school tutoring program for math and English language arts
- Block schedules in 5th-6th grades



ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

- Imagine Learning for TK and English Language Development students
- i-Ready for all kindergarten through 6th grade students
- Author visits
- Safe and Civil Schools, CHAMPS in all classrooms
- Field trips for 3rd-6th grades
- Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) program
- English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC)
- Red Ribbon Week
- BRIDGE program for students with disabilities
- MASTERS after school program
- Art and music for all students