

Guiding Principles: Parker Elementary School

Guiding Principles articulate a school's vision, values, hopes and ideals to the design team. Guiding Principles will be used to "test" the decisions that are made throughout the design process, since every element of the building must be created to support the school's vision and values.

Parker Elementary School's Guiding Principles:

Academics: Parker Elementary's mission is to develop knowledge and character one child at a time. Our facility will be a student-centered learning environment that creates critical thinkers, problem solvers, and life-long learners. Academics will be enhanced by adaptable learning areas where students can learn cooperatively and independently to achieve their goals.

Music: Parker Elementary's Music Academy cultivates and nurtures the development of creativity through music. Drawing on support from family, a legacy of musical excellence, and the vibrant arts community we build a foundation that endures throughout students' lives.

Collaboration: Parker Elementary celebrates interdisciplinary learning through authentic experiences. Teachers, students, and parents unite to prepare students for success in the ever-changing global community.

Community: Parker Elementary students reflect the diverse population of Houston, Texas. As a premier magnet school, our facility will serve as a cultural centerpiece for musical performances that strengthen our community.