Island Park Elementary School

Island Park Elementary School is a community of learners that honor the diverse backgrounds of our students - a school where each student is included, challenged, and empowered to grow in their academic and social-emotional journey. We believe that relationships and connections are at the heart of the work that we do, this includes partnerships with our families and greater community. Families are welcomed and encouraged to volunteer in our school. Students are the priority at Island Park and our collective effort is focused on developing the whole child. In addition to high-quality, rigorous core academic instruction, our students participate in weekly specialist classes in music, physical education, art, and library. Technology is embedded in each of our classrooms and serves as a tool for learning, research, and exploration. We are committed to a learning environment that is inclusive and just - a place where all students are valued.

“In my family’s eighth year at Island Park Elementary School, we feel our community is very special. Our leaders, staff, families, and alumni create an environment that supports students' growth and invites families to engage with their child’s school experience on many levels.

Kirsten Duell, Island Park PTA President"
Northwood Elementary School

Northwood Elementary is the most recent addition to the wonderful schools in Mercer Island School District. Northwood is unique in that its education program includes a focus on mindfulness and social emotional learning. Students are encouraged to be present, mindful and thoughtful about their choices and interactions with others. Each month, the school community comes together to learn and practice several positive character traits such as Honesty, Empathy, or Perseverance. The Northwood community is supportive and collaborative - students take responsibility in keeping the lunchroom clean, older students act as classroom buddies for younger students, and kids learn to help and be gracious with one another. Furthermore, Northwood has one of the most diverse student populations on the island as well, which allows for much growth and learning to occur as each individual comes into contact with others from many backgrounds and abilities. Northwood is a community that strives to be welcoming and inclusive of all and is committed to improving and growing for the better.

West Mercer Elementary School

West Mercer Elementary is a vibrant, diverse teaching and learning community. We serve over 400 students K-5th grade and offer a variety of educational services, including multilingual services, special education services, and enrichment programming. Our school value statement is one we live fully each day through our programs and practices: "West Mercer is a place of joy where all students, staff, and families commit to grow, empower, and value each other. We believe that our capacity to learn is unlimited."

Scholars at West Mercer are known by name, strength, and need and each student is honored and validated for the many experiences and identities they bring to our school community. In addition to building the culture and community of our school, academic excellence and supporting growth for all learners is paramount at West Mercer. Scholars at West Mercer have many opportunities to engage in the school community within and outside of school. We offer many student clubs including: Green Team, Student Council, News Team, Leadership Ambassadors, Peer Mediators, Circle Up, Drama/Theater, Chess Club, and Drums. Our PTA is a strong support, advocate, and provider within our school community. The PTA hosts a variety of events throughout the school year, including our Back-to-School Ice Cream Social, Bike/Walk to School, Heritage/Culture Fair, Read-A-Thon, and Spring Fling event.