



PARK STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

At Park Street School, our vision is to prepare children to achieve their dreams and become model citizens in a global culture. Students will learn the way the world works and how to improve it. Over the years, we have continuously made every effort to give students the opportunity to discover their passions through curricular and extra-curricular activities. We continue to move forward with this vision through what we hope to establish as our Park Street Enriched After-School Program.

A goal of Park Street Enriched After-School Program is to identify and develop children's talents and passions beyond school hours. Beginning this year, we will begin to offer, on a rotating basis, 4 weeks of one hour sessions per week in various topics or areas of interest. These afterschool opportunities would be offered by volunteer professionals, businesses and universities or colleges, who have a vested interest in sharing their skills, knowledge, talents and passions with young people. There is no charge to students for the Park Street Enriched Opportunities sessions. The sessions initially will be open only to students in grades 3-5 and it would take place after school from approximately 3:15 to 4:15. Families would be required to arrange for transportation or alternate care for their children at 4:15.

The logistics of each group (number of students permitted to participate in each group, the day of the week the opportunity would be offered and other details) will be unique to each program we are able to offer.

We began this process last spring by approaching outside professionals who would like to offer their expertise to our students. We have had an overwhelming positive response to this. Physicians, veterinarians, engineers, public speaking and debating groups, chess groups, and university professors have all shown an interest in participating in our program.

The first after-school enriched modules we will begin to offer is with Dr. Marie Cashion in mindfulness on Tuesdays and with Ms. Chen in Chinese language on Thursdays. This will begin the week of October 31 – November 4 and run for approximately 4 weeks. Other opportunities may also begin this fall so please continue to watch our website for more information. We will begin to send home further information in the coming weeks regarding after-school enriched opportunities.

We look forward to your continued support of this initiative and invite you to share with administration any groups that you feel we could continue to approach regarding our vision to build our program of opportunities for students.

Sincerely,

Rien Meesters & Tracy Stewart
Park Street School Administrators
