



## WHERE STUDENTS BREAK THROUGH AND ACCELERATE

By emphasizing the academic, social and emotional needs of students, our Middle School teachers are committed to ensuring every individual is not only excelling in math, science, social studies, English and the arts, but that they are always growing more compassionate and self-aware.

### Middle School Features

#### Advisory Program

Every student is assigned an advisor who serves as the primary liaison between school and home. By doing what they can to ensure your child is known and valued, supported and challenged, advisors help students thrive.

#### Innovative Technology

Students in grades 5-12 participate in our 1:1 iPad program, while being continuously exposed to various multimedia tools.

#### Theater Department

Middle School Drama produces two musicals annually, affording students ample opportunities to participate both onstage and behind the scenes.

4:1

Student to teacher ratio



Research shows active children perform better academically, so MS students participate in daily recess and physical education



Activities and leadership opportunities include: Rocket Science, Story Chasers, English Fest, Math Club and World Language Clubs



Research-based, six-day rotating schedule shows that individuals perform differently at varying times. MS students never have the same class first hour or following lunch on successive days

# WHY THE PRAIRIE MIDDLE SCHOOL?

## Individual Attention

With a student-to-teacher ratio of 4:1, students receive personal instruction and mentoring from master educators as they navigate the trying and unpredictable years of adolescence.

## The Power of Self-Discovery

Middle School (MS) is where students learn to build and nurture relationships. In addition to a focus on peer-to-peer and student-to-teacher interaction, students are also paired with a younger Primary School student to help foster mentoring relationships.

## Limitless Creativity

In addition to core classes, students experience a robust curriculum designed to keep them active and engaged as they begin to hone their talents and develop their passions. All students have physical education every five out of six days. Those interested in music can choose from courses such as World Drumming, String Orchestra and Guitar, and aspiring artists can take Clay, 3D Drawing and Glassblowing.

## Experience Prairie For Yourself

Witness the passion, creativity and energy permeating our school each and every day. Call or visit us online to schedule the visit that will change your child's life.

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## Prairie's Compass Team

Under the direction of Primary School Head Kathy Boero, our Compass Team works with students and families as needed to make sure every student is met on their individual learning level, thus supporting academic achievement and ensuring overall success.

- **Learning Specialists** work with teachers, students and families to identify strengths and challenges which leads to a detailed, customized plan for each learner.
- **Academic Support Teachers** including Reading and Math Specialists, an English Language Learner (ELL) Teacher and a Speech & Language Therapist.
- Prairie's **Director of Educational and Counseling Psychology** supports emotionally secure relationships that enforce academic and social success for each student.
- A full-time **School Registered Nurse** provides medical care, health assessments and wellness counseling for the entire Prairie community.