

#### The Multiage Concept...

**Multiage** is the practice of teaching children of different ages and ability levels together in the same classroom. Children work collaboratively, and all children are both learners and teachers.

We foster academic and social emotional growth for all students through a two year experience at each unit. Our classrooms utilize K-5 New Jersey Student Learning Standards and differentiated instruction to support optimal student achievement.





### What you will see in our Multiage classes...

- Communicating expectations clearly and consistently
- Establishing the highest expectations for our children
- Guiding by questioning
- ◆Teaching around themes
- ◆Emphasizing hands-on exploratory learning
- ◆Creating print-rich environments
- ◆Allowing original questions where there are no "Answers in the book"
- ◆Taking risks in a safe, blended learning environment
- ◆ Assessing and adjusting instruction to meet individual learning styles
- ◆Creating an environment where 21st century learners can thrive
- ◆Engaging continuously in "best practice" research and its application

#### STUDENTS ARE...



- ◆Learning in an active child-centered environment
- ◆Participating in flexible grouping
- ◆Sharing what they know in a variety of ways
- ◆Researching topics using many resources
- ◆Progressing without limits
- ◆Planning and leading their own conferences when ready
- Using the best technology
- ◆Solving problems and thinking critically
- ◆Developing their multiple intelligences
- ◆ Participating in Project-Based Learning

#### FAMILIES ARE...

- ◆Becoming knowledgeable through information sessions and constant communication
- ◆ Learning along with their children
- ◆Helping in the classroom
- ◆ Participating in decision-making
- ◆ Providing feedback and support
- ◆Taking responsibility for their own learning



# ... and how it works at Normandy Park

- ◆We create child-centered, developmentally appropriate classroom settings.
- ◆We foster collaboration between all participants.
- ◆We respect the individual learning styles and creative talents of each child and provide opportunities for further development and expression.
- ◆We encourage and facilitate responsible decisionmaking and problem-solving while children assume more responsibility for their learning.
- ◆We promote academic excellence by empowering each child to set high standards and strive to achieve them.

## "CHILDHOOD SHOULD BE A JOURNEY, NOT A RACE."

Bob Johnson

## Normandy Park Multiage Magnet School Mission Statement

Children at Normandy Park School are grouped for a two-year seamless multiage experience, engaged in thematic learning, and progress in a child centered, developmentally appropriate, non-competitive, non-comparative environment. Individual learning styles and creative talents are respected and celebrated. The school embraces parent partnerships and promotes academic excellence by empowering children to set and achieve high standards, develop problem-solving skills, make responsible decisions, and become lifelong learners.

For more information or to register for an information session

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# Normandy Park School

"A Community
Of Learners"

### **Magical Multiage**



◆Six-Year Seamless Experience ◆

A K-5 Multiage Magnet Public School

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