

**EDUCATING STUDENTS, ONE CHILD AT A TIME,
TO BECOME ACCEPTING, VALUABLE MEMBERS OF
AN EVER-CHANGING SOCIETY**

PK4 - GRADE 4





MISSION

Develop the potential of a diverse group of students and inspire enthusiasm for learning while facilitating the growth of the whole child

GRETA'S GARDEN

Through our outdoor classroom, Greta's Garden, students are immersed in learning about nature. When students, staff, families and community grow vegetables in our outdoor classroom, they develop life skills, increase environmental awareness, and make the connection between growing food and healthy diets.



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Oppe Elementary is an A-Rated 5 Star Campus (2013-2019) with TEA Distinctions in ELA/Reading, Math, Closing Performance Gaps, Academic Growth, and Post-Secondary Readiness. Our school is a Nationally Certified Magnet School (2018 - 2022), Texas Honor Roll School (2016-2019), and recognized by NOAA as an Ocean Guardian School.



BILINGUAL PROGRAM/DUAL LANGUAGE

Our Bilingual Program (PK4-4th) develops bilingual and biliterate students in English and Spanish. Oppe offers a Dual Language Two-Way Immersion model in which both native English and native speakers of another language (Spanish) receive instruction together in both languages. This model will grow each year by one grade level. These programs give students the much sought-after language skills that provide an advantage in our multicultural world.

OPPE STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN THE FOLLOWING THEME-RELATED LEARNING EXPERIENCES:



- Experiencing a variety of interactive presentations and workshops from local organizations and marine experts about watershed pollution, marine debris, functions of wetlands, coastal habitat threats, and coral reef education
- Engaging in TEKS-aligned field experiences to local coastal habitats, including beaches, coastal prairies, wetlands, and Galveston Bay boat trips
- Participating in project and problem-based learning experiences to promote critical thinking
- Maintaining an on-site oyster and red drum aquatic habitat
- Planting and maintaining native coastal prairie grasses for spring replanting event
- Cultivating and monitoring an on-site mini-marsh habitat
- Growing, maintaining, and harvesting edible plants in Greta's Garden



SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

- 1:1 Chromebooks in PK4-4th
- Canvas online learning platform to provide individualized, innovative learning experiences for each student
- STEM Lab to foster a love of coding, robotics, and STEM principles through engaging, standards-based engineering and critical thinking experiences for all grade levels

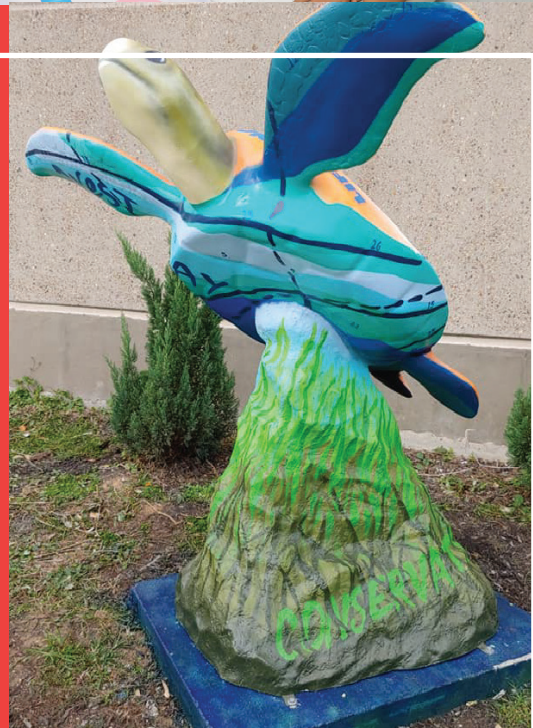


WHAT IS A MAGNET SCHOOL?

Magnet School (mag'nit skool) n. definition:

Magnet schools are public schools with specialized theme-based courses or curriculum. "Magnet" refers to how schools attract students from across boundaries and connect them with their interests to make learning more meaningful.

At Oppe Elementary Magnet Campus of Coastal Studies, students will be immersed in the study of the coastal and marine ecosystems of the Gulf Coast through engaging field experiences, problem-based learning, and enrichment projects. Students will learn the effects of pollution and habitat loss within each marine environment to foster an appreciation for preservation, conservation, and restoration.



FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Family involvement in school activities fosters academic success in children. All families and businesses are welcome to participate in the Oppe community.

Strong Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and partnerships with area businesses, educational institutes, and environmental organizations include:

- Turtle Island Restoration Network
- Artist Boat
- Texas Parks and Wildlife
- Moody Gardens
- Friends of Galveston Island Park
- Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network
- Galveston County Audubon Group
- Texas A&M University Galveston
- Sea Star Base
- United States Coast Guard
- Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary
- Galveston Bay Foundation



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