

PRIMITIVO GARCIA History

Our school is named after a Mexican-American hero: Primitivo Garcia. He and his brother, Alfredo Garcia, saved their pregnant English teacher from being robbed in 1967. The teacher walked away without injury.

Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for Primitivo, who suffered a fatal gun shot wound in order to save his teacher's life. The story inspired journalists throughout the country and was featured in Time Magazine. The mayor of Kansas City declared Dec. 1 to be Primitivo Garcia Day. To this day, the family of Primitivo Garcia is involved with the school.

We continue to honor the legacy of Primitivo Garcia and his service to others.



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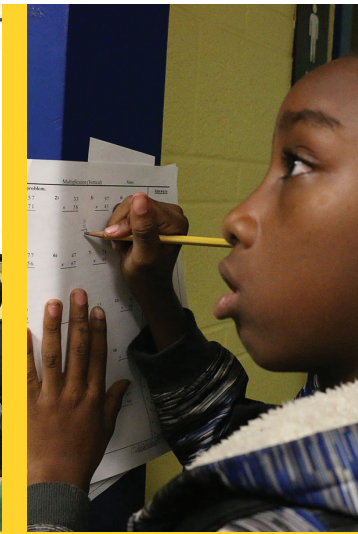
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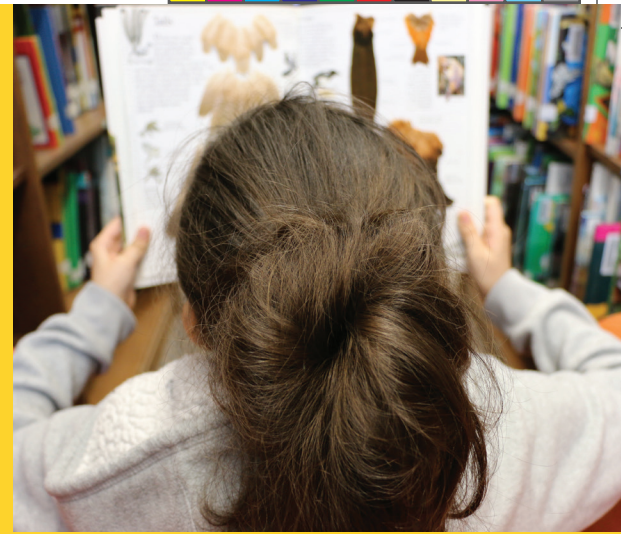
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A SCHOOL FOR LEADERS



OUR MISSION

By working together, we will develop student ownership that will lead to successful and competitive college graduates. We will provide a safe learning environment and tools for academic success by fostering a community of academic excellence.



ABOUT GARCIA

Serving students
PK thru 6th grade

Bell Times:
8:10 am – 3:10 pm

Your Neighborhood Schools:

- Northeast Middle
- Northeast High

Primitivo Garcia Elementary School is a diverse neighborhood school that serves approximately 380 students ranging from preschool through sixth grade. We are in our second year of implementing “The Leader In Me” program. This program is made possible by a grant from Franklin Covey and is based on the principles of *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People* developed by Steven Covey. The purpose of this grant is develop leadership skills in all students by showing them their worth, potential and positive contributions to the school.

Meeting the needs of all learners

In addition to a traditional curriculum, Primitivo Garcia Elementary School strives to meet the needs of all learners through various programs, including:

- Four Missouri Preschool Project classrooms that are fully-licensed and accredited by the State of Missouri
- Special education services, including speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy and academic resources
- An English Language Learner program designed to assist students who have a home language other than English acquire and master English-language skills

STUDENT LIFE

Community Partnerships

Our school believes that it is the job of the entire community to educate and meet the needs of children. We have several partnerships with community organizations, such as the Mattie Rhodes, KC Hispanic News, Score One for Health, Ruiz Public Library, Tony Aguirre Community Center, KC Lead to Read, William Jewel College and The Literacy Lab. These partners offer students valuable relationships with caring adults and other opportunities that the school would not be able to provide without their support.

Community Learning

It is the belief of Primitivo Garcia Elementary School that we are a community of learners. School is a safe place where everyone comes together to promote learning. Teachers work together as a team and serve as instructional and life mentors to our students. Families are essential partners in this relationship and this relationship is strengthened through active participation.

Before-and After-School Care

We partner with LINC to provide free high-quality before-and after-school care for elementary school age students in a safe, fun and caring environment that supports children’s social, emotional and physical development.

Activities/Clubs

- Basketball
- Kids in the Kitchen
- Drill Team
- Art
- Gardening

