

Hidden Valley Elementary School

Each Student. Future ready. Community strong.

Burnsville-Eagan-Savage School District 191 is a future-forward school district creating barrier-free pathways for learning for everyone in our community. We believe learning is a lifelong pursuit, and create programs, services and opportunities that inspire this belief.



Welcome to Hidden Valley Elementary School! My name is Kristine Black and I am so excited to share about our school and to work with your child and your family this year! I am blessed to work with the amazing and committed staff at Hidden Valley! Your child is surrounded with adults who are masterful at finding ways to engage and excite our students around learning. Our school is relationship focused; we spend time daily building strong relationships with and among the students within our school community. As the principal of Hidden Valley, my goal is to have a school environment where every student, staff member, and family members feel they belong, are significant, and valued as part of our community. Your voice is important and our school exists to meet the needs of our community.

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ACADEMICS



Pathways

At the elementary level, our unique Pathways approach to learning excites students and gives them a glimpse into their future by embedding rich experiences in areas including arts, engineering, entrepreneurship, and health and wellness. Pathways allow students to wonder and reflect on what's next in their educational journey.

Learn more at
pathways.isd191.org.



Gifted and Talented

Advanced Learning is a valued part of the One91 learning experience, and is guided by our commitment to equity, access and academic rigor. Our inclusive identification system ensures that these opportunities are available to every student in grades 2-5 across all our elementary schools.

Advanced Learning instruction focuses on helping our students to be future ready by embedding into our instruction the 4 Cs of 21st Century Learning: Communication, Collaboration, Critical Thinking and Creativity. Research projects focus on inquiry and creating solutions to real-world problems.

Core Areas of Learning

Students receive a well-rounded learning experience that includes rigorous literacy, math, social studies and science instruction, as well as time set aside to meet individual student needs called What I Need (WIN) time. All students also participate in specialist classes including music, art, digital learning and physical education.



STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Hawks SOAR at Hidden Valley

We are the Hidden Valley Hawks! We SOAR by being Safe - On Task - Always Responsible - and Respectful. Our school wide focus on SOAR Behaviors helps to make sure our students have a supportive and respectful environment to learn. Our students learn about and model Hawk Habits and Whole Body Listening that are taught and modeled by the adults as well. We have daily ways to practice these strategies through Morning Meeting, Closing Meeting, and All School Morning Meetings where we gather together as a whole school to celebrate our school and students.



School Activities

At Hidden Valley students show leadership in many different ways. Our 5th Grade Patrols help keep us safe during arrival and dismissal each morning. Our Student Council plans events that are fun and include service to our community. Our Peer Helpers show leadership throughout the building by helping younger students and helping in multiple ways throughout the school. Students help with Morning School Announcements. Each Fall we have our School Wide Hawk Run and our Veterans Day Program. Hidden Valley is an International Peace Site and each year we have a rededication ceremony that includes our families and a time to recommit to being a peaceful and welcoming community. Our PTA sponsors events such as Movie Nights, The Fall Family Dance, Family Game Night, and Other events decided upon by our Parent Partnership Group. Starting in November of each year, students can participate in our after school targeted services classes for all grades. These include a focus on math and enrichment.

What We Believe

- All children are able to learn at high levels.
- The adults in the building must match the needs of the students to maximize learning.
- The diversity within our building is our greatest strength.
- Family partnerships are critical to our students' success.
- All children deserve to be in a school where there are no doors closed to their opportunities.

