

## Principal's Message

**Becky Hagan** 

We are truly a family at Nottingham Elementary, and have a great sense of pride in our school. We moved into a beautiful new building this school year that includes state-of-the-art learning spaces for students to collaborate and grow, an outside amphitheater, an active learning lab, an early learners plaza, gardens and a science lab.

Our PTA is very involved and provides a lot of services and support to our campus. We have a large number of volunteers including Reading Buddies andWatch D.O.G.S.® and library, front office, art, lunch, recess and science helpers. I am honored to be part of such a caring, compassionate and hard-working school family.

## **About Nottingham**

In the past few years, Nottingham has regularly been named one of the best elementary schools in Texas by Niche.

The school staff encourages and teaches students the characteristics of curiosity and problem-solving, while instilling a life-long love of learning. Every member of the Nottingham community has a sense of responsibility to help students foster a growth mindset and self-determination skills to be able to face challenges with confidence and perseverance. We are a one-to-one campus with each student having access to either a chrome book or iPad, and every classroom is equipped with an Active Board. Active Learning Lab and Sensory Lab are places where students are given opportunities to move around while learning subject matter concepts.

## **School Information**

Address: 570 Nottingham Oaks Trail, Houston, TX 77079

Phone: (713) 251-6400, Fax: (713) 251-9670

**School Hours:** 8:00 a.m. – 3:05 p.m.

Grades: Pre-K - 5 Students: 648 Total Staff: 60

School Schedule: Classes meet daily, Monday through Friday

TEA 2022 Rating: B

## **Demographics** (2022)

White 46.8% Asian 8.5%

Hispanic 25.6% Two or more races 4.5%

African American 14.5% Pacific Islander 0.2%

## **English Language Learners**

All teachers at Nottingham are English as a Second Language (ESL) certified and provide strategies English language learners need for progressive language development. Support specialists work with students in small groups to develop language skills using experiential and hands-on learning techniques.

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## **Special Education**

At Nottingham, Resource teachers provide inclusion and pull-out support for students with learning disabilities. Two Life Skills classrooms and an APPLE classroom are part of the Nottingham campus community. In a Special Buddies program, each student in APPLE (Autism Program Preparing Learners for Excellence) and Life Skills is paired with two general education students in their same grade level. They have lunches together and participate in events where they create crafts and jointly engage in other activities.

A full-time speech therapist and a dyslexia support specialist are also part of the school's staff, providing specialized services to students in need.

## **Physical Education**

In the incredible new gym and hard top area, Nottingham physical education coaches set up stations where students are able to experience many different types of activities, including rock wall climbing, track sports and gaga ball in two areas. Throughout the year students get experiences with each of the sports in order to find out which activities they enjoy.

NHE students demonstrate their athletic talents at annual events such as Field Day and Fun Run, and they can attend Advanced Movers events. The dance and cheer team, the NHE Dazzlers, performs throughout the year, and even performed at a Rockets half-time show.

#### **Fine Arts**

Fine arts teachers at Nottingham are passionate about igniting students' creativity. Displayed throughout the school is artwork created by students, such as pottery, paintings, sketches and other creative media projects.

Nottingham is known for having a fabulous choir, and they perform at the district choir festival. Students in each grade level practice and perform for family and friends throughout the year. There is a broadcast room at the school where students are the anchors for NHE TV.

### **Gifted & Talented**

Students in Kindergarten to second grade who qualify for the district's Gifted and Talented (GT) program are served on campus. Among many mentally stimulating activities, they have hands-on experiences with materials in the school's Makerspace. Third to fifth grade students travel to The Bendwood School once a week for GT extension experiences. All GT students at Nottingham are paired with a teacher who is GT certified. Many students are able to "flex" to the next grade level for mathematics based on their Credit by Exam scores.

## **Inspiring Minds. Shaping Lives.** *SBISD's promise to our community.*

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## **Student Supports**

- A full-time school counselor provides guidance lessons, individual planning, small groups and connections to community resources for students and families.
- Many after-school enrichment activities are available to students, including chess, Green Knights Club, Art Club, tutoring and Junior Olympians.
- On-site, after-school care is provided until 6:00 p.m. by iKids.
- Many school wide events create a sense of community, such as Storybook Character Parade, an annual Veteran's Day Celebration, Thanksgiving Family Picnic, Nottingham Express Night, Science Night, Multicultural Festival and more.

## **Family Communication**

Below are some ways Nottingham Elementary communicates with families:

- Weekly newsletters from the school and the PTA
- Weekly newsletters from teachers with tips for supporting students at home
- Regular teacher/parent conferences
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- X (Twitter): @NottinghamSBISD

# Be an active member of our school community.

We hope family members will join our amazing PTA to get to know the other families in the school community and find ways to serve! Parents and guardians can also register to volunteer in many areas of the school as well as apply to be on our Campus Improvement Team.

Contact the school at 713.251.6400 for details.