# Perry Township Schools

## **SCHOOL CHOICE 2020-2021**



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## Perry Township Schools VISION:

Empowering students to grow academically, socially and behaviorally

#### **MISSION:**

Providing educational opportunities that create a desire for lifelong learning that inspires all students to maximize their academic success

#### **CORE VALUES:**

Integrity, Respect, Collegiality, Empathy, Courage, Loyalty and Commitment to Learning

#### THE COMMUNITY

Perry Township Schools is located in the south central portion of Marion County, Indiana. Population of Perry Township is in excess of 112,000. The district serves over 16,700 students in grades K-12, making Perry Township the 8th largest public school district in the state of Indiana. We are pleased to be a community of diversity supporting students that speak over 72 different languages, representing 67 countries.

The school district is composed of four Kindergarten academies, eleven elementary schools grades 1-5, two sixth grade academies, two middle schools, two high schools and an Alternative Education Program (by school referral only). High school students have the opportunity to attend the Central Nine Career Center. Additional district facilities include the Perry Township Education Center, which houses our Early Childhood program. All students in grades 1 - 12 have one to one computer devices for educational use.

Perry Township is served by Indianapolis financial institutions, newspapers, radio and television stations. The district is accessible to all Indianapolis transportation facilities including an international airport, train and bus terminals and public bus transportation through the IndyGo bus routes. Major highways: I-65, I-465, U.S. 31, State Roads 37 and 135 make travel easy and convenient throughout the area.

Indianapolis' cultural and recreational facilities are within easy access of Perry Township. Nearby facilities house the championship winning Indianapolis Colts NFL team, the Indiana Pacers NBA team, the Indianapolis Indians AAA baseball team, the Indiana Fever WNBA team, the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, the Indiana Repertory Theatre, and the Indianapolis Children's Museum – just to name a few. Institutions of higher education include Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, Christian Theological Seminary, Marian University, Martin University, and our neighbor University of Indianapolis.

Perry Township follows a balanced calendar. Students will have two weeks off in the fall, winter and spring, along with holidays for Labor Day, three days at Thanksgiving, Martin Luther King Day, Presidents' Day and Memorial Day. (Some days designated as possible snow make-up. See calendar on the township website for complete details.)

All schools have active parent teacher associations that provide an opportunity for parents to be involved in school activities and decision making. We have a voluntary community tutoring program called H.O.P.E. – Helping Our Pupils Excel.

Through our relationship with the Baxter YMCA, we are able to offer before school and after school child care options available for working parents.

Perry Township is a member of the Indiana Urban Schools Association. All schools are fully accredited by the Indiana Department of Education. Our high schools and middle schools are members of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Perry Township Schools was named the first recipient of the National Award of Excellence for Educator Effectiveness by the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching (NIET).

## **ELEMENTARY EDUCATION**

#### **CURRICULUM**

Kindergarten Academies and Elementary schools offer a full, balanced curriculum for all children grades K-5 which meets or exceeds state standards.

Grades K-6 implement the Everyday Mathematics program. This program was developed by the University of Chicago School Mathematics Project in 1983 and is based on sound mathematical principles. The skills and concepts are aligned with Indiana Academic Mathematics Standards. The Everyday Math program works to make mathematics that is learned in school resemble mathematics that is applied in the real world. The program uses manipulatives, focus algorithms, problem solving, games and repeated practice to master skills needed to compete in the global economy of today's world.

Grades K-5 have school-wide Literacy Plans in place for all students. These plans include a 90 minute reading block, with an intervention period that addresses each child's specific needs through differentiated instruction. Our teachers are committed to literacy growth for every child.

Starting the 2020-2021 school year, all students in grades 1 through 12 will have access to the Project Lead the Way Program that creates an engaging, hands-on classroom environment that engages students in real-world learning.

Instruction is provided in all grade levels for music, art, physical education and library skills. Additionally, computer instruction is provided in all schools with familiarization and computer literacy as a goal. All classrooms in Perry Township have 21st Century Technology.

#### STUDENT ASSESSMENT

The district has adopted a comprehensive assessment program focusing on individual student achievement and growth. The M-Class assessment for K-1 and the Evaluate Benchmark System for grades 2-10 were developed as support tools for teachers, to help gauge students' strengths and weaknesses against end-of-year standards. Assessments have been designed to advance teaching and learning in several important ways. First, they provide teachers with quick, reliable feedback on how students are progressing toward mastery of year end Indiana standards. Second, over time, they provide teachers with trend-related information about the strengths and weaknesses of classes and grade levels on the major standards of each content area. Most importantly, the assessment programs provide teachers with data that informs their instruction to ensure that we are growing all of our students.

All students in 3rd grade will be evaluated with the IREAD-3 assessment. This assessment is targeted to identify students that are not at proficiency in regards to reading skills. Students are held accountable for mastery of skills as identified by this assessment. In addition, the statewide *I Learn* will be administered to all students in grades three through ten.

#### SPECIAL OPPORTUNTIES

Voluntary academic and athletic extracurricular programs are available to build strengths in areas of interest. A district-wide music and physical education extravaganza is produced to inform and entertain parents in alternating years. A district-wide art show that showcases our students' artistic talent occurs each year in April.



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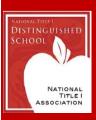
Christy Chitwood-McKinnon, Assis Principal



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261 E. Anniston Drive 789-3300•780-4229 fax Jeff Spencer, Principal Kim Witkemper, Assistant Principal

#### Clinton Young Elementary School

CY is proud to offer a positive school environment based around the 4 "ROAR" expectations: Respectful, On task, Always safe, and Responsible. We support our students *Social Emotional Learning* and help students reach for the "Green Zone". Our students are supported and challenged to be their best and strive to improve in all areas. We believe in the power of community and host Family Nights and a Cultural Fair as a way to connect to students and their families outside of the classroom setting. In 2016, our school was awarded the CODE grant for the State of IN, making it possible for us to provide enhanced technology programs for our students in addition to keyboarding. CY offers a program called *Project Lead the Way,* which allows further exposure to problem solving and thinking through the use of math, science, technology, and engineering. Our students benefit from specialized literacy and math teachers as well as *Positive Behavior Intervention Systems*. Extra curricular opportunities include Student Council, Art Club, Singling Lions, and Project Perfect Gentlemen, CY also offers after-school care off-site through the YMCA.

#### **Homecroft Elementary School**

Homecroft Elementary has been named a Grade A Exemplary School by the IDOE 4 out of the last 5 years.. Our school provides a warm, friendly atmosphere where children are encouraged to reach beyond their current abilities and interest. We look to meet our students' needs by instructing them at their level through differentiated instruction, book clubs, differentiated stations, and higher-level questioning. Our school offers a variety of activities including Art Club, H.E.A.T. Club, After School Achievers, Project Perfect Gentleman, G.I.R.L.S. Club and others. We focus on meeting our students' needs through small group instruction, literacy groups, and our Math Quadrant Model. Homecroft Elementary celebrates our students through Breakfast Buddies, Honor Roll Lunch with the Principals, and the Hornet P.R.I.D.E. program. Homecroft has an active PTA, great support from our community, and we are a family. We will continue to do whatever it takes for each child to reach their potential. Homecroft hosts the YMCA before and after school care program.

#### Mary Bryan Elementary School

At Mary Bryan, we are proud to be named in honor of a local pioneer woman and to be noted for our high academic and behavioral expectations. Working together, our staff and families are committed to promoting life-long learning. Mary Bryan offers enrichment through our fine arts program which promotes various cultural arts activities including but not limited to Southport High School Music Dept, The Children's Museum, keyboarding instruction, and an outdoor ed program for our 5th grade at Camp Allendale. Enhancement of our cultural curriculum comes from having our own property-based log cabin. We have abundant special prgrms such as classroom reading buddies, "Reading Counts," book fairs, Project Lead the Way, curriculum family nights, Young Historians, Deaf & Hard of Hearing program, Comprehensive Intervention Prgrm, and an Academic Interventionist. MB is pleased to offer the YMCA before & after care program. Our students live the school-wide expectation of "PIONEER PRIDE" through their achievement, attitude and actions.

## Southport Elementary School

Southport Elementary is a highly successful school committed to "Whatever it Takes!" Our staff works diligently every day to live up to this. We are dedicated to providing a world class education for every student through the use of 21st Century classrooms, book clubs, literacy centers, and a small group math instruction model. We implement innovative instructional programming practices including Project Based Learning, where students learn the required state standards while solving real-world problems. Because of this focus on real-world application, students interact with professionals and community partners on a regular basis including the Indianapolis Zoo, The Children's Museum of Indianapolis, Southport PD, and many other local community partners. Southport Elementary launched Project Lead the Way, a hands-on math, science, engineering, and technology program, during the 2018-2019 school year. Each student has the opportunity to join a number of clubs including Robotics, Sprouts, Service, Sprinters, and American Sign Language. Southport Elementary also offers the YMCA before and after care program.

#### Southport High School Attendance Area (continued)



1900 E. Stop 12 Road 789-2700•865-2703 fax Natalie Bohannon, Principal Arian Bostic, Assistant Principal

#### Winchester Village Elementary School

Winchester Village believes that all students can learn and be successful, it is important to provide equitable academic opportunities to all, attendance directly affects the achievement of students, and that our educational system is ever changing so our staff needs to change with it. With that in mind, we are pleased to offer many exciting programs such as literacy skills assistance, literacy groups, and CIM trained reading specialists to strengthen reading skills. Winchester Village promotes character education by recognizing students who exhibit respect, manners, responsibility and kindness. Students are encouraged to participate in Student Council, Wildcat Club, and Spell Bowl . The Project Lead The Way program is available for all students. Parents and community members are invited to be involved in the WVES PTA, Parents with a Purpose, tutoring, Family Math, Literacy, and Technology Nights, and field trips such as 5th grade outdoor education to Flat Rock YMCA camp. At Winchester Village, we strive to know each child's learning style and help them reach their fullest potential. Winchester Village offers the YMCA before and after care program.



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Doug Smith, Principal
Becky Arkins, Assistant Principal

#### Jeremiah Gray Elementary School

Jeremiah Gray is proud to offer Perry Township children a unique opportunity to experience learning in our state of the art facility. Our children benefit from some of the most outstanding educators using researched based curriculum and teaching best practices. JG is pleased to promote strong character education founded on eight core values which teach our children to be responsible, contributing citizens. JG also offers an instructional program called Project Lead the Way to strengthen problem-solving and thinking skills. Project Lead the Way strengthens communication and collaboration skills in all students through the problem-based learning modules. Our students begin Spanish instruction in 1st grade and continue through 5th grade. Furthermore, we provide support for all students through small group instruction, data assessments to monitor progress, and an extra 30 minutes of Math and Reading time. Parents are encouraged to be an integral part of our team through PTA, Family and Student Support Team, and volunteering. We hope that you join us as we support and celebrate our students at JG. JG is the place you want to be! JG offers before and after care through the YMCA.



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John Sponsel, Principal
Tiffany Opper, Assist Principal

## **Abraham Lincoln Elementary School**

Abraham Lincoln was the 2017 TAP Founders Award Finalist. Also, ALE has received a "B" or higher letter grade by the state since 2013. The Abraham Lincoln school family is dedicated to the development of the whole child. We strive to provide an academic environment in which children can build self-confidence, social skills, responsibility and good citizenship. We are a diverse school that is proud of our unity and our C.H.I.L.D. centered environment. The "C" is for character which is developed through our core traits curriculum and learning respect for individual differences. "H" stands for home involvement through parent participation in PTA activities, volunteering and math/literacy nights. "I" represents individual success which can be accomplished by tiered reading instruction, progress monitoring, reading recovery, specialized instruction, intervention teams, and special recognition for achievement. The "L" symbolizes leadership developed in our students by activities such as Student Council, Student Ambassadors, Say No to Drugs Club, Student News Broadcasting and Academic Clubs. Finally, "D" means developing lifelong learning skills by providing a wireless environment with 21st century classrooms, 1:1 computer devices for grades 1-5, performance groups, and 5th grade outdoor education programs. Abraham Lincoln offers a program called Project Lead the Way to enhance problem solving and thinking skills among our students. Abraham Lincoln offers before and after care through the YMCA.



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Christy Martino, Principal

Darla Maillet, Academy Director

## **Douglas MacArthur Elementary School**

Douglas MacArthur was named a Grade A Exemplary School by the IDOE. The DM school community is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment. Our DM slogan is "Building Hearts and Minds." Douglas MacArthur is committed to "Building Minds" through special emphasis on math problem solving, critical thinking, and writing. We provide daily small group intervention, technology embedded classrooms, Read 180 for additional reading intervention, and Best Practice strategies for instruction. In conjunction, our "Building Hearts" program involves allowing students to develop leadership, compassion, and cooperation skills through various student organizations such as: Girls on the Run, Service club, GUTS club, Spell Bowl, Math Bowl, and a variety of other clubs. Students receive academic, social and cultural enrichment through a multitude of guest programs, community service, monthly character trait recognition, our outdoor nature center and tree trail, 5th grade outdoor education at Bradford Woods, 4th grade educational visit to Marengo Caves, and various field trips. It is our hope that we foster an appreciation for lifelong learning and good citizenship through high academic and behavioral expectations. DM offers before and after care through the YMCA.

#### Glenns Valley Elementary School

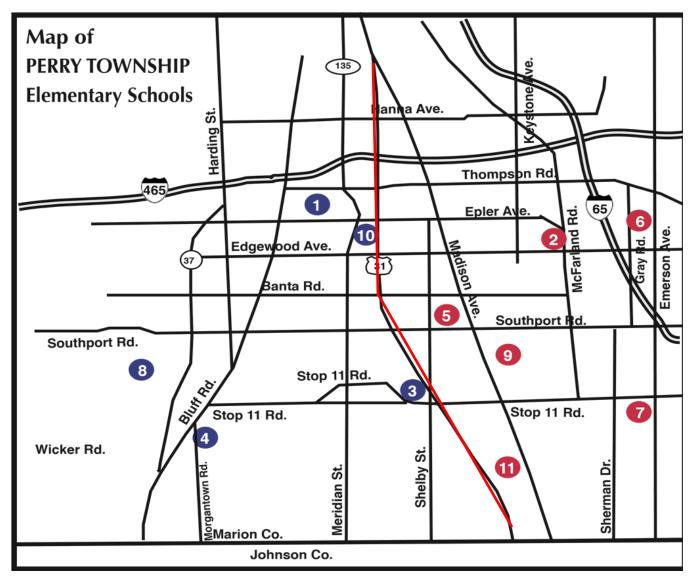
GV has been awarded an A Letter Grade as an Exemplary School by the IDOE for the last two consecutive years. We have a strong literary focus with attention given to early literacy skills measured and grown through MClass testing and interventions in 1st grade.. Gr 2-5 students are encouraged to own their learning through a process of goal-setting and monthly academic assessments called Evaluate. We grow leadership skills through community service projects, an active Student Council, and a focus on character traits that are recognized through our monthly Soaring Eagle and Character Trait Award winners! We encourage our parents to become active in our school by volunteering to tutor students and work with our PTA in activities such as our Bucket Brigade. Our students and their families have endless opportunities to be involved in our school community through our PTA Spring Fling, monthly Dine and Donate events, Annual Spaghetti Dinner, and a growing list of clubs and programs. GV offers onsite before and after care through the YMCA. This year, we're proud to have added a Project Lead the Way program that promotes STEM. At GV, we 're striving to "Make a World of Difference"

#### William Henry Burkhart Elementary School

Henry Burkhart was named a Distinguished School by the IDOE. At Henry Burkhart "We SPARK Learning" through our special emphasis, Excellence in the Arts. Through SPARK (Special Programs in the Arts for Kids), Henry Burkhart arranges for visits from artists, field trips to museums, concerts, and teaching of the arts. Burkhart features a strong, well-rounded academic curriculum which includes 21st century classrooms, 1:1 devices for all students grades 1-5, Young Hoosier Book reading program, Reading Giants, the Math Master and Math Whiz programs, and Project Lead the Way. The staff of Burkhart is committed to providing a caring environment that challenges and encourages our students to excel in citizenship and academics while fostering their special interests through the All That Jazz! Choir, Spell Bowl, Maker Club, and Running Club. Burkhart is proud to host annual school events such as Holiday Candlelight Luncheon, 5th grade musical and Field Day. Burkhart's goal is to give students a solid foundation necessary for academic success and the life skills necessary to enable them to become caring, responsible citizens. Burkhart offers before and after care through the YMCA.

#### Rosa Parks Elementary School

Rosa Parks was named a Grade A Exemplary School by the IDOE. Rosa Parks offers a "world class" education. The curriculum, instruction, and assessment systems create many opportunities for children to become successful learners and responsible citizens. Rosa Parks has a very active and dynamic parent organization that supports our objectives. We promote Spanish instruction in grades 1-5 which is taught as a regular rotation with our Art, Music, Library and Health & Fitness. Rosa Parks also offers an instructional program called Project Lead the Way that focuses on making connections and problem solving for life. Students learn The Rocket Way, learning to be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe. Rosa Parks has a very purposeful approach to incorporating technology in the classroom and focus on creating students who are writers for life. We offer a variety of programs such as Drama Club, Spell Bowl, Singing Rockets, and WRPE Broadcast Team. We encourage you to become part of our learning community to ensure your student is a life-long learner. RPE offers before and after care through the



= Dividing line between east and west side of Perry Township

- 1. Abraham Lincoln Elementary
- 2. Clinton Young Elementary
- 3. Douglas MacArthur Elementary
- 4. Glenns Valley Elementary
- 5. Homecroft Elementary
- 6. Jeremiah Gray Elementary

- 7. Mary Bryan Elementary
- 8. Rosa Parks Elementary
- 9. Southport Elementary
- 10. William Henry Burkhart Elementary
- 11. Winchester Village Elementary

#### PARENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR SCHOOL CHOICE APPLICATION

- 1. A CHOICE application should be submitted for each student entering grades 1-5 only if one of the following applies: (1) you are requesting a change of school for 2020-2021; (2) you plan to move to a different location on the same side of the district and want your child to remain at their current elementary school.
- 2. <u>Cross district placement requests will not be considered</u>. If the student lives on the EAST (Southport) side of the district the CHOICE request must be for a school on the EAST (Southport) side of the district. If the student lives on the WEST (Perry) side of the district, the CHOICE request must be for a school on the WEST (Perry) side of the district. This requirement stands for ALL requests, regardless of transportation.
- 3. **DO NOT** submit a CHOICE application if your child has been approved for the school CHOICE program in a previous year. You **MUST** submit an application for each sibling that would be new to the school.
- 4. Applications will only be accepted for students fully registered at the home school.
- 5. The deadline for receipt of all choice applications is <u>FRIDAY</u>, <u>FEBRUARY 21</u>, <u>2020</u>. Receipt address is: Perry Township Education Center, 6548 Orinoco Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46227. Late applications will not be accepted.
- 6. The Assistant Superintendent will finalize the approval process and provide written notification to all applicants **starting Friday, March 15, 2020**.
- 7. All students approved for CHOICE will automatically be placed at the CHOICE school based on the application information. It is the parent's responsibility to notify us if there has been a change to the information since the application was submitted, or if the parent no longer prefers CHOICE placement.
- 8. Once approved for school CHOICE, the student may continue at the CHOICE school throughout the elementary grades. If at any time the student moves to the opposite side of the district, choice placement must be reconsidered.
- 9. Once approved for the school CHOICE program, the student is expected to remain at the CHOICE school for a minimum of one school year.
- 10. If the student leaves the CHOICE program for any reason or withdraws from the district, the parent must reapply for the school CHOICE program through the annual application process.

### **School Choice Application for 2020-2021**

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#### **STUDENT INFORMATION: (PLEASE PRINT)**

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Mail completed application to:
Perry Township Schools
Attn: Vickie Carpenter, Asst. Superintendent
6548 Orinoco Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46227

Applications must be received by FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2020. No late applications accepted.