

## Hope Valley Elementary School

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Hope Valley Elementary School is part of the Durham Public School District and serves a diverse group of students from Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. The School Vision is that that Hope Valley strives to be a learning community focused on the intellectual and social development of every student. Toward this end, **teachers** will be inventors of high content, quality work that is challenging and satisfying. **Students** will be engaged in this work in an effort to develop their individual potential. **Parents** will consistently monitor their child's progress at school and provide a positive learning environment at home.

There are 4-6 classes for each grade at Hope Valley and classroom sizes range from approximately 20-27 students per class. Each kindergarten classroom has a full time, dedicated assistant. Part time assistants work with 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classrooms. Students in every grade visit a specials classroom daily for enrichment. Specials include art, music, media, technology, science, and physical education. A full spectrum of specialized services is available to students including AIG (Academically and Intellectually Gifted) opportunities in every grade as well as speech therapy and reading/educational support for those children who need additional help beyond the classroom. Students who are identified as needing more challenging material receive separate classroom instruction for a portion of the day from AIG certified teachers starting in 1<sup>st</sup> grade.

A variety of educational and enrichment opportunities are offered to all students such as participation in the Odyssey of the Mind program, the annual Spelling Bee, Yearbook drawing competition, Battle of the Books, Jump Rope for Heart, and more. The Hope Valley PTA is active in planning activities for students and their families as well as providing support and appreciation for the teachers. Annual PTA sponsored events include the Family Marathon, Book Fair, Family Fun Fest, family movie nights, teacher appreciation week, and more. Parents are encouraged to participate in their child's education and a variety of opportunities exist to facilitate this. Parents/caregivers may help directly in their child's classroom, volunteer at the various school events, chaperone a field trip, sort and shelf library books, coach an Odyssey of the Mind team, and so much more. The staff and teachers at Hope Valley are wonderful at partnering with parents to create a rich educational experience for the students.

Before School and After School care is offered at the school and the YMCA afterschool program provides bus pickup at Hope Valley. Breakfast is offered free of charge to all students, regardless of income.

Prospective families may call the school office at 919-560-3980 to ask questions or to schedule an individual tour of the school. The PTA has scheduled two Informational Sessions and School Tours. See below for details. If you'd like to speak directly to a Hope Valley family, send an email to [hopevalleypta@gmail.com](mailto:hopevalleypta@gmail.com).

