

McKinley K-8 School Fact Sheet

Address: 325 S. Oak Knoll, Pasadena, CA 91101

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School hours: 8:45 am - 3:10 pm

Monday Early Dismissal: 1:30 pm

Middle school hours: 8:25 am - 3:10 pm*

Monday Early Dismissal 1:30 pm

Grade levels: Pre-K; Transitional Kinder; K - 8th

Regular school tours: Typically 2nd Thursday of month; check <https://www.pusd.us/McKinleyTours> for updates

Parent Ambassadors: Meg Metasci

Principal

Dr. Merian Stewart – Dr. Stewart was appointed Principal in July 2020. She has over thirty years’ experience as an educator, most recently having served as Principal at Franklin Elementary and previously at Washington Middle School. Assistant Principal is Mr. Ivan Harris. The Lead Team also includes an Instructional Coach, an Intervention Specialist, and two Counselors.

Teachers

All of McKinley’s classroom teachers are certificated, many have visual and performing arts expertise, and many have been recognized as teachers of excellence through Rotary, National Board Certification, and LA County’s Teacher of the Year award. All TK & Kinder classrooms have an instructional assistant or aide.

Students (Demographic data from 2022-23) Enrollment (K-8): **648** K-5 Enrollment: 348

Hispanic (Any race)	Non-Hispanic					2 or more ethnicities	Other / No ethnicity given
	African-American	Asian	Filipino	White			
64.5%	18.5%	4.8%	2.0%	6.9%	1.5%	1.7%	
English Language Learners (ELLs): 22.7% As English Learners progress they are first designated Initial Fluent English Proficient (7.9%) and eventually Reclassified as Fluent English-Proficient (11.6%)						Socioeconomically Disadvantaged: 83.5%	


Open Enrollment (Data from 2022-23 lotteries not predictive of next year’s outcomes)


# of applicants who listed school as 1st choice	47
% of applicants who listed school as 1st choice and got in	98%



PUSD will post the range of open enrollment seats projected to be available for the 2024-2025 school year in January 2024. Families are encouraged to rank all schools they would prefer to their assigned school of residence in order of preference, regardless of OE seat projections, and to opt in to the 2nd lottery if they do not get their preferred school in the first lottery.

Enrichment “Extras” *See PEN Fact Sheet guide for “Enrichment Basics”*

McKinley K-8 has had a visual and performing arts (VAPA) focus since 2002.

 Choral teacher (also special choral programs for 4th and 5th); instrumental music also available (After-school Orchestra available as early as 2nd grade)

 Visual arts integrated across the curriculum at all grades - Armory Center artists work specifically with 2nd-3rd gr. for Arts integration w/Math & Science; Destination Imagination; Photog. Club (3rd-8th)

 3 plays/year & Spring Musical, other performance opportunities  Dance

 Full-time credentialed librarian

Middle School electives include: 2D art, 3D art, digital arts, theatre, choir, band, orchestra, robotics

McKinley has won a Title 1 Academic Achievement Award and Bravo Award for Excellence in the Arts

McKinley: what has changed recently? *McKinley has a new principal as of 2020. The school piloted the district’s innovative “Math Academy,” and uses the Summit Learning platform to provide self-directed/self-paced learning for all middle school students.*

School Environment / Social-Emotional Learning

Positive Recognition: Students can receive a "positive referral" for demonstrating outstanding character. They are recognized in the Morning Roundup (school-wide, morning assembly that focuses on current school happenings and reinforces school culture). **Morning Meeting/Advisory** is a school-wide daily routine that focuses on social-emotional learning, community and goal-setting for each day. **Student Leadership:** Bravo Team is a student leadership and ambassador group. Main duties include welcoming students and staff in the morning, participation in the Morning Roundup, library/PE assistance, safety patrol and representing the school in city-wide events. Middle school has ASB (student government). **Restorative Justice** is a whole school focus on mediation and agreement to resolve conflict and discipline violations. The program is based on respect, responsibility, relationship-building and repair the justice.

After-School Programs

After-school Programs: Pasadena LEARNs; City of Pasadena After-School Adventures Program; YMCA; Boys & Girls Club. McKinley Enrichment Clubs currently include dance, crossfit, gardening, coding, programming and robotics, 3D painting. (Club offerings vary from one semester to the next.)

Parent Involvement

PTA Contact: Meg Matasci

PTA Membership: 63 (2022-23)

Other Parent Involvement Opportunities: School Site Council, African American Parent Council; English Learners Advisory Committee; Equity Parents Committee; GATE; Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) Council/Annual Fund.