

# **Ewing Young Elementary School**



# Principal Coffee - February 14, 2018

#### Vision:

EY=(Engagement+Rigor+Persistence) x Community : EY=(E+R+P) x C

#### Mission:

Understanding learning is a social endeavor and that the people who are Ewing Young (students, staff, families, and community members) must be valued and provided the opportunity to flourish, we embrace our institution as the gathering place for academic and social growth.

#### **Priorities:**

- We work to create and nurture problem solvers and critical thinkers.
- We work to empower EY students with the eagerness to persevere through challenging tasks.
- We work to establish a sense of responsibility for one's own learning.
- We work to integrate our curriculum and instruction to the real world.
- We embrace learning experiences grounded in authentic opportunities for critical thinking, collaboration, creativity, and communication (21st Century skills).
- Realizing our EY community is the key to our success, we strive to involve all stakeholders.

# Enrollment: 186 students Grades K-5 22 Staff Members

## Largest Attendance Boundary Area in the Newberg School District

#### **School Narrative:**

With a common passion for science, over the past four years, our school's focus has been directed toward creating an integrated, STEM-focused learning experience for our students. With the support of our instructional facilitator, our teachers have been working collaboratively to create STEM units and lessons that are based upon engineering design principles, and include math and literacy practices that are aligned to Common Core Standards.

- ❖ S.T.E.A.M. Science ~ Technology ~ Engineering ~ Arts ~ Mathematics
- 21st Century Learning Opportunities
- Growth Mindset

### **Accomplishments & Points of Pride**

One of the first points of pride identified by our Site Council is Ewing Young's special "small town" feel. Our school is inviting, warm and built upon relationships between staff, students and parents. Ewing Young is a calm, productive, healthy-sized institution that is conducive to meeting the needs of all its students. There is an openness between the staff and parent--teacher cooperation is "above excellent." The Ewing Young staff collaborates well, supports each other, shares their expertise openly and is committed to helping students reach their full potential and works diligently to stay in the forefront of technology, innovation, collaboration, communication, creativity and critical thinking.

- 1. On the Spring 2017 parent survey, 96% of parents indicated they consider Ewing Young to be an excellent school.
- 2. Student engagement level is high: STEM activities have students highly engaged in their learning while they collaborate with peers, use critical thinking and think creatively to solve real-world problems.
- 3. Ewing Young is well-equipped with technology to ensure its students are working on 21st century skills necessary for a successful future.
- 4. Ewing Young has a supportive student body. Students take care of each other and take pride in helping their peers be safe and successful. On our Spring 2017 parent survey, 92% of parents believe Ewing Young is preparing their child to be a good citizen and 98% believe the staff at EY is committed to their child's education.
- 6. Communication with parents is strong. The consistent and various communication updates help parents stay informed and provide ways for them to stay involved.