MISSION: Learning CAFE creates connected, adaptive, and flexible extended day learning opportunities to support academic and social-emotional growth for students.

VISION: Prepare all students to Think, Learn, Work, Communicate, Collaborate, and Contribute effectively now and throughout his or her life.

Program Description

ADAPTIVE ACADEMIC SUPPORT
- Grades 2-6 have access to 4 hours of personalized learning each week, ELA and Math focus
- Classes taught by classroom teachers and classroom aide
- Personalized learning software (Front Row, NewsELA, etc) used in all classes

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL GROWTH
- Basketball and soccer develop sportsmanship
- Dance classes- Hip Hop and Folkloric strengthen confidence
- Urban art, poetry, robotics, and clay-animation foster creativity
- Leaders 4 Success and K Smith Geniuses build leadership skills

DEEPENING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS
- Community partners provide enrichment classes
- Parent and teacher created classes-Stitch Club, Spanish, Robotics, and many more
- School-wide performances for parents and students
ENRICHMENT CLASSES

We believe that students are most successful when they explore new skills, face challenges in a variety of settings, and are able to practice persistence outside the classroom. Our enrichment classes provide students the chance to try something new or improve on skills they already have. Ultimately, we want our kids to have the ability to learn with their peers and collaborate with students in different classes and grade levels. Classes offered are: Folkloric Dance, Soccer (Boys and Girls), Basketball (Boys and Girls), Hip Hop Dance, Stitch Club, Leaders For Success, Urban Art, Robotics, Claymation, Fitness, Garden, Geniuses, Spanish, Poetry, and African Drums.

PERSONALIZED LEARNING

Our Personalized Learning (PL) classes are adaptive learning opportunities to support the needs of our students, primarily in math and language arts. Classroom teachers, along with an instructional aide, work with students from their own grade level, which provides deeper knowledge of grade level content standards, as well as the ability to provide intervention support within their project, if appropriate. Teacher recommendations help identify students who need the extra support and teachers use STAR 360 math and literacy data to drive their instructional planning.
LEARNING CAFE MENU OF CLASSES:

**Personalized Learning** - Assessment based, personalized academic instruction

**Fitness Room** - Improved physical fitness using resistance training and cardiovascular activities

**Basketball** - Development of dribbling, passing and shooting skills leading to complete games

**Soccer** - Basic dribbling and passing skills

**African Drums** - Learn basic rhythms and techniques to play traditional African music

**Hip-Hop Dance** - Use basic hip-hop dance moves to create a complex hip-hop dance routine

**Poetry** - Introduction to creative writing

**Folkloric Dance** - Learn traditional Mexican dance techniques

**Urban Art** - Apply drawing techniques and new media to projects

**Stitch Club** - Use simple stitch work to create garments and bags

**Spanish** - Introduction to everyday Spanish

**Garden** - Learn about proper care and gardening techniques of the K. Smith garden

**Clay Animation** - Clay models are used to create stop motion movies

**Robotics** - Learn to program simple robots to move around obstacles
Student Experiences

"Learning CAFE is a place where you can actually learn, not just a place where adults watch you. It’s not day care. In Personalized Learning, I like that I get to work on project work, so it’s not just writing and math in general. We get to work on specific parts that we need help with. We also get time to do homework because sometimes at home we don’t have space and time to do what we need to do and Learning CAFE is our space. Sometimes it’s also just nice to go home with all my work done and not have to worry about school stuff. I also like that Learning CAFE gives me a chance to go more in depth with things I am learning in class." -K. Smith student

"In our enrichment classes, I get to do Leaders for Success, which is a cool club to be in. This club and Geniuses gets us ready for the real world. It’s also convenient that the classes are part of CAFE and not separate. Even though it’s not basketball season, we still get time to practice with our CAFE coach. " -K. Smith student

"Learning CAFE is cool because people are on the wait list still and that means it’s a place where kids want to be. It’s also nice that we get to learn and work with friends from other classes that aren’t in our regular classroom. We really do all three Cs (communicate, collaborate and contribute) and make new friends with other classes and grades too." -K. Smith student
### SAMPLE SCHEDULE

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KA THERINE SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KSMITHSCHOOL

ACADEMIC DATA

• Targeted sample group of 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders tracked throughout the two sessions

• 82% of students made growth

• 52% of students made more than one year's growth

• Students were tested five times annually (Data to the left represents pre and post data).

• AR360 assessment tool used to track their academic growth in literacy

• Teachers used assessment data to design lessons
**Student and Parent Feedback**

**STUDENT**

What was your favorite class and why?

- "I like personalized learning because we get to finish our homework early and then we could work on stuff we need to finish."
- "Soccer, because we got to learn to dribble the ball, pass it, and score."
- "My favorite class was Personalized Learning cause it really helps me catch up with anything I didn’t finish in class or more time for project work and finish homework."
- "Soccer, because I met new friends and I play with friends from my class."

**PARENT**

- 'Learning CAFE helps our children improve not only their physical health, but also their teamwork." K. Smith parent
- "My daughter lost her fear of performing in front of people." K. Smith parent
- "I liked that my kids were able to do activities outside, instead of staying indoors playing video games." K. Smith parent
- "I hope this continues next year, and my child has the opportunity to try different things." K. Smith parent
- "My children were able to work together while having fun." K. Smith parent
- "My daughter gained more confidence being in Folkloric dance. She performed and was happy about it." K. Smith Parent