



## CPSA Elementary Profile

- About 190 students are enrolled in the elementary school from PK to 5<sup>th</sup> grades. Classes are taught by certified and experienced teachers, all of whom are committed to professional development for the best instruction of our students.
- At CPSA, we seek to address learning styles of all students through integrating technology, use of learning centers, leveled reading groups, and much more. Students requiring support or enrichment meet in small groups for targeted instruction within the classroom or in the form of pullout groups.
- Preschool provides a full day of activities that focus on developing students' educational, social and emotional strengths. Beginning in Kindergarten, a rigorous academic curriculum in core and special subjects is at the heart of the program which is offered along with lots of extra-curricular opportunities and resource supports.

### Academic Offerings

Curriculum at a Glance	
Math	Pearson Envision and Singapore Math
Reading & Language Arts	McGraw Hill Treasures and Write Source
Science	Harcourt Science
Social Studies	McGraw Hill Social Studies for K-5 Social Studies Weekly for K-1
Islamic Studies	I Love Islam Series
Quran & Arabic	Memorization, Tajweed, Meaning, and Seerah

- ❖ Curriculum is aligned to state and Common Core standards.
- ❖ Reading programs like Accelerated Reader, Book IT!, and Read to Succeed provide incentives to motivate students.
- ❖ Science and Social Studies are taught with a hands-on approach along with related field trips, guest presenters, and Junior Achievement sessions.
- ❖ Quran and Arabic classes ensure that the 30<sup>th</sup> Juz of the Quran is memorized in the elementary years with a tertiary understanding of vocabulary.
- ❖ Online Learning tools such as Khan Academy, Moby Max, and Discovery Learning are utilized in class
- ❖ Physical Education, Computers and Art are offered at all grade levels as part of a whole child approach to learning.

## Extra-Curricular and After School Opportunities

Each year, elementary students compete in competitions where participation is optional, yet is highly anticipated by the students. The variety of competitions allows students of various strengths and talents to be recognized for their efforts.

Selected elementary students participate in inter-school competitions such as the **Math Bowl**, **Science Bowl** and **History Bowl**. At these events, students work collaboratively in teams with other schools and compete independently against their peers. CPSA students continue to place in top 3 individually and in teams for every academic bowl.

CPSA students can also take part in after school activities to pursue their interests or to build upon their skills. Examples of clubs that are offered either year-long or on a rotational basis:

Art Club	Geography Club	Tarbiyyah Club
Lego Robotics	Forensic Science	Readers & Writers Workshop
Journalism Project	Zany Zoology	Scrabble
GEMs (Weekends)	Girl Scouts (Weekends)	Gross Out Chemistry
Entomology	Speech/Public Speaking	Girl Scouts

## Competitions and Events

<p><b>Science Fair</b> 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Younger students experience the scientific method through a whole class project.</p>	<p><b>Scripps Spelling Bee</b> 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Students have qualified and won at County and District levels.</p>
<p><b>Quran Competition:</b> PK – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students have represented CPSA and won in Nasheed and Qira'at competitions held by outside organizations as well.</p>	<p><b>Trash to Treasure Contest:</b> Preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> graders compete and display artwork created from recycled materials.</p>
<p><b>Geography Bee:</b> Winning 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders compete with middle school students for the school National Geographic Bee title</p>	<p><b>Handwriting Contest:</b> KG – 5<sup>th</sup> CPSA has had 2 state level winners in the past 2 years.</p>
<p><b>Illinois Council of Teachers of Mathematics Contests:</b> For qualifying 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> graders, an opportunity to represent the school and compete in this test of mathematical ability.</p>	<p><b>Islamic Knowledge Competition:</b> 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students compete in their knowledge of the Deen and Seerah.</p>
<p><b>Student Treasures:</b> KG – 5<sup>th</sup> graders work through writing process to publish their work in book form.</p>	<p><b>Code Studio:</b> 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> students take on the basics of programming characters in some of their favorite games as well as part of computers curriculum.</p>
<p><b>Poetry Pals</b> – An interfaith program that brings our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders together with Catholic and Jewish students to create poetry.</p>	<p><b>Spell Check Fundraiser:</b> KG-5<sup>th</sup> A PSG sponsored event that allows students to generate funds for the school and win prizes at the same time.</p>