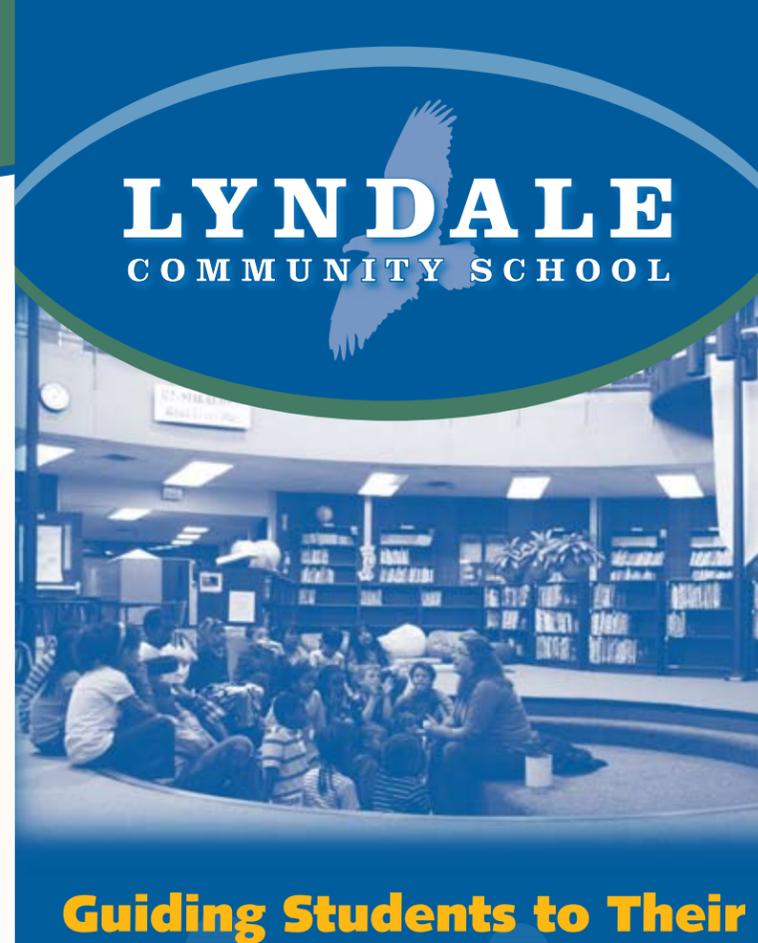




Brightest Tomorrow

Did you know

- Students at Lyndale have among the highest year-to-year academic growth in Minneapolis. From 2006 to 2009, three-year compilation data showed that Lyndale School's individual student growth was first in reading and second in math based upon a value-added measurement.
- Lyndale School's teachers are dedicated and experienced. Close to 90% of teachers have more than 10 years of teaching experience, compared with 61% of teachers statewide.
- The winner of the Minneapolis School District's 2010 6th grade math competition was a graduate of Lyndale School.
- In Spring 2010, Lyndale School was one of 25 schools nationwide to receive a mini-grant from the National Center for Safe Routes to School to expand upon the school's well-organized, parent-led "walking school buses."



LYNDALE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Guiding Students to Their

What parents & students have to say about Lyndale School:



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Parents

"So much more learning goes on than just the academics in the classroom. Yet within those classrooms, expectations are high, and we are all so proud of that. Our children are held accountable to high standards and reach out in friendship to each other, from all walks of life. That's the magic of Lyndale."

- Liz Short, chair of Lyndale School's Parent Teacher Organization
- Shannon O'Brien, parent of Lyndale School student

Students

"The teachers were great. They could adjust to everybody's learning."

- McLean, graduate of Lyndale School and winner of the 2010 6th grade Minneapolis District Math Competition

"I get to learn about all parts of the world and learn different things about the world, like how the oceans formed."

- Azhaar, 3rd Grade

"I wish I could do everything again."

- Yaqoub, 5th Grade

"I love the monthly showcases, where students can perform and help others learn what they know. It says to the student, 'We think you are the leaders of the future. We know that you have something to say, we know that you can and should tell 500 people about it, and when you do, we'll be listening.'"

- Jenny Bordon, parent of two students at Lyndale School

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Experience a warm, welcoming learning environment that fosters academic excellence, engages the community, integrates the arts, promotes responsibility and celebrates diversity.





Lyndale Community School Highlights

- Active Parent Teacher Organization and Leadership Committee
- Full-day kindergarten
- Partnerships with Children's Theatre Company, Jungle Theater, Bakken Museum, VocalEssence, Science Museum and Minneapolis Institute of Arts
- High-Five program
- After-school Community Education classes
- Minneapolis Kids (fee-based childcare for school-aged children)
- Three computer labs and Promethean interactive white boards in nearly every classroom

Education with global insights

In an increasingly interconnected world, achieving academic excellence involves far more than reading, writing and arithmetic. It requires cultural literacy—an awareness of and appreciation for a broader, diverse base of knowledge that exists beyond our own boundaries. Lyndale School has demonstrated its commitment to nurturing cultural literacy by integrating the Core Knowledge sequence into our lesson plans. By outlining the grade-by-grade content that every child should learn in language arts and literature, history and geography, mathematics, science, music and the visual arts, the Core Knowledge sequence helps build the common knowledge foundation that every person needs to become a responsible, productive citizen of the world.

Individualized instruction

As we embrace our students' cultural and ethnic differences, we also understand that integrating diversity into education is a process that transcends age, gender, ethnicity, residential status and other demographic variables. The best academic programs honor the contributions and abilities of each individual child. At Lyndale School, our teachers and administrative team recognize this fact and strive to bring individualized attention to every student's learning experience. As a result, each student brings value to the classroom and builds upon the quality of the school's enriching environment.



Learning-friendly spaces (and faces)

Take a few steps into Lyndale School and you'll instantly understand how committed we are to creating a warm, nurturing environment for our students. Colorful student artwork graces the corridors. In the halls, the fifth-graders interact with the kindergartners and the teachers greet students by name, even if they have never taught them in their classroom. At the core of the building is an airy, bright rotunda, where students can explore the shelves of books and open their minds to the creativity all around them. Our educational spaces are constructed to celebrate an open, vibrant spirit that stimulates learning and curiosity. Our culture reflects students' and teachers' commitment to promoting mutual respect.

Top Picks at Lyndale School from Students and Teachers

- Annual Science Fair — displays the talent and ingenuity of students in all grade levels
- Multicultural Night — a family night offering ethnic foods, a book fair, and a "trip around the world"
- Reader's Workshops — a rich language arts curriculum incorporates classroom instruction and individual learning to promote cooperation and knowledge-sharing among students
- Literary Arts Partnerships — bring guest artists, writers and musicians from a variety of partner organizations to Lyndale School to engage students in learning activities involving the visual arts, literature, music and theater throughout the year
- Monthly Showcases — all-school assemblies that provide a venue for highlighting students' talents and achievements and sharing learners' accomplishments with fellow students, teachers, families and the community
- Math Night — a community-building event where parents learn how to help their children with math through activities and games
- Harvest Carnival — a fun family event that kicks off our well-attended family celebrations



"What we've tried to do is have an individual relationship with every child. Children are not empty vessels to be filled up. They bring something. You value them, and they value you. It's reciprocal."

— Ossie Brooks-James, Principal

