## About Us

Kennedy Academy is designed to offer advanced curriculum and academic challenges to highly capable kindergarten through fifth grade students. The Academy provides a stimulating educational environment. Students participate in both guided and self-directed exploration across subject areas with emphasis in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The Academy is available to all elementary children (grades K-5) who meet the criteria for admission. Enrollment will be controlled on a capacity and racial compliance basis.







In partnership with students, families and our community, the South Bend Community School Corporation provides the respect, encouragement and support every student needs to attain the knowledge and skills necessary for post-secondary success.



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"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Nelson Mandela





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Any student in grades K-5 in the South Bend Community School Corporation is eligible to apply for admission to Kennedy Academy. All applications for the 2019-2020 school year are due by December 15, 2018. Applications for admission are available online at www.sb.school. Paper copies can also be found at all SBCSC schools and the administration building (located at 215 S. Dr. MLK Jr. Blvd., South Bend, Indiana 46601)

### **ADMISSION CRITERIA:**

- Completion of the application process, including assessment
- Above average achievement levels in basic skills
- Score in upper quartile (above seventy-fifth percentile) on ability measures
- Mastery of the Indiana Core Academic Standards at prior grade level
- Exceptional math/science/literacy skills as reflected on parent and teacher checklists
- Commitment to rigorous academics, parental involvement, and Academy expectations



### SPECIAL PROGRAM FEATURES:

- Rigorous academic expectations
- Flexible grouping based on student needs
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Exploratory Labs
- School climate that ignites scientific thought
- Project Lead the Way hands-on scientific inquiry
- Schoolwide Science Fair
- On-site planetarium visits
- Multi-media computer labs to encourage imaginative use of technology
- Extensive writing experiences
- Conversational Spanish language instruction
- PBL (project and problem based learning)
- PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports) initiative to create a positive learning environment
- Bus transportation provided free to all students except those living in Kennedy's limited walking area



# **Expectations:**

### **STUDENTS**

- Meet behavioral standards outlined in the SBCSC Student Code of Conduct
- Be a self-directed and highly motivated learner
- Meet rigorous academic standards
- Adhere to all rules and regulations
- Maintain excellent attendance
- Come to class prepared and with proper materials

### **PARENTS**

- Attend all orientation activities and parent conferences
- Participate in extracurricular activities and events
- Provide support to Kennedy
- Support student's independent learning
- Provide support and assistance for instructional and classroom activities
- Respect school rules and consequences
- Read school communications to stay informed

