

THE ELTINGVILLE SCHOOL

The Skies are
Blue at

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P.S. 42 : the difference between Ordinary and Extraordinary

Our Mission

We believe that every child is a unique individual who deserves a positive educational environment. Our staff delivers the highest quality of teaching methods in a nurturing atmosphere focusing on each child's growing and changing needs. Our teachers and staff appreciate and care for all our students. In partnering with parents and students, we foster a relationship of trust and respect. We do things with pride. A child's successful future is our goal.

Our Instructional Focus

If our school community reflects on our continuous collaborative professional learning with refined planning, then students will be actively engaged in standard based rigorous learning experiences as evidenced by student growth and a professional commitment to excellence that create opportunities for independent, self-regulated learners.

Our Vision

P.S. 42 envisions all our classrooms to be safe and conducive learning environments in which all students can work through problems with guidance and the necessary supports to arrive at their own true discovery and learning. The delight that characterizes the moment of when a student reaches an understanding or acknowledges the connection between their learning and its application to the world around them are Extraordinary moments in a student's development. These accomplishments are most memorably achieved and valued when a student ventures into this territory as a result of carefully planned learning experiences that place the teacher as the facilitator of learning. As a faculty, we will emphasize the central role that the student plays in his or her own learning process, understanding that students learn best when they discern the value in learning and enjoy getting there.



Jackie Robinson wore the number 42. He is remembered as a groundbreaking leader of change. His 9 Core Characteristics are an integral part of our daily routines here at the 4-2.

Each day we model, teach, and expect:

Courage – Determination – Teamwork – Persistence – Integrity – Citizenship – Justice – Commitment – Excellence

We appreciate our diverse school culture, respect our similarities, and honor our differences with compassion and kindness.

Theory of Action:

If School Leaders...

provide time, resources, and support to all grade bands in order to unpack the Next Generation Learning Standards, all Professional Learning Communities will gain clarity and insight into the NGLS.

Then teachers will be able to...

enhance their craft in order to create culturally responsive lessons that contain clear learning intentions, success criteria, and formative assessments.

So that students will learn...

to be independent, self regulated learners actively engaged in rigorous learning experiences.