

# Sutterville Elementary School

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Our mission is to build confident, well-rounded learners who will apply their knowledge, skills, and abilities to life's opportunities and challenges. Students will develop and grow their individual talents, critical thinking, and life skills by being actively engaged in leadership opportunities. Our teachers, staff, and administrators will help students advance in their individual learning objectives while also teaching them to be effective members of teams, responsible citizens, and productive members of society. We do this by providing our students a safe, nurturing and inclusive environment that enables them to succeed in mastering our challenging, enriching curriculum.

## Sutterville Highlights

### **Leadership Focus: We are a "Leader in Me" School**

- Social-emotional learning around the 7 Habits by Stephen R. Covey helps students learn to work well with others, accomplish their goals and become leaders.

### **Challenging Common Core Curriculum**

- Our focus on high-level academic discourse, both oral and written, as well as high-quality tasks ensures that our students are academically prepared for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

### **Two Kindergarten Options (based on space availability)**

- Traditional Kindergarten, morning and afternoon classes
- Kindergarten/First Grade Multi-age Program

### **GATE Strand: 2nd – 6th grade**

- Expanded curriculum provides opportunities for advanced students to extend their learning.

### **Inclusive Practices**

- All of our students who qualify for Special Education services are fully integrated in general education classes.

### **Fine Arts Instruction**

- All 1<sup>st</sup> grade through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students receive weekly art instruction from a credentialed art teacher.
- Orchestra and Band instruction and performance opportunities before- and after-school.
- Mr. Cooper, our musician-in-residence, sings with all Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students, as well as providing a "Sing-a-long" Club after school.
- Sutterville Choir Club directed by the prestigious Sacramento Children's Choir.

## School Culture and Extracurricular Activities

- ✓ **Clubs:** Homework, Chess, Stingray Club (before- and after-school tutoring), Sutterville Striders Running Club, Chess Club
- ✓ Award Winning Speech and Debate Program
- ✓ Honey Code, Mad Science and Young Engineers
- ✓ Young Actors Stage Musical Theatre
- ✓ Spanish (K-6<sup>th</sup>) and Art Classes
- ✓ Girl Scouts
- ✓ Beginning & Advanced Orchestra and Band
- ✓ Sing-a-Long with Mr. Cooper
- ✓ **Family Events** include Fall Festival, Family Reading Night & Book Fair, Craft Fair, Disco-Bingo Family Night, Science Family Night, Multicultural Family Night, Orchestra & Band Concerts
- ✓ K/1, 1<sup>st</sup> Vegetable and Flower Gardens, Outdoor Classrooms and Butterfly Pavilion
- ✓ Beautiful Planted Courtyard with Benches and "Peace Pole"
- ✓ Overnight Field Trips in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades

## Strong Parent Involvement and Support

We are grateful for the strong financial support and volunteer participation of our PTA, School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Council. Because of this support, we are able offer our students many enriching experiences, including assemblies, fieldtrips, technology and artist-in-residence programs.