

## Extra Curricular Programs

- Science Fair
- Spring and Fall Music Concerts
- 5th/6th boys and girls Basketball
- Lyceums
- 6th Gr. Spring Volleyball
- Book Fairs and Reading Month
- Art: Poster Contests
- Piano and string instrument lessons

## Summer Camp

This is a 4 week program held during the month of July for all students in grade K-8. It's goal is to increase and maintain students' skill levels in reading and mathematics. There is no charge for the camp, as payment is received through the Department of Public Instruction. Summer Camp runs from 9:00AM-12:00PM each day.

## Community

- Park Board Basketball
- Park Board T-Ball/Baseball/Softball
- Park River Youth Gymnastics
- Swimming Lessons
- Figure Skating/ Youth Hockey
- Golf Course
- Pop Warner 5th-6th Gr. Football
- Tae-Kwon-Do Classes, age 6+
- Kid's Zumba Summer Camp
- Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts



## Extended School Program

The Extended School Project is a program available to all Park River public school students in grades K-12. The primary goal of ESP is to provide a safe and healthy environment in which students have the opportunity to improve their learning experience. ESP provides daily activities that improve academic skills, student behavior, health, and esteem. Certified instructors and organizations take leadership roles in the development and implementation of ESP activities on a daily basis. ESP is an extension of the regular school day.

Students must register to attend ESP. Registration forms are available at the Park River Area School offices or by request.

Please call the ESP office at 701-284-7164 for information on registration.  
Peppi Robideaux, Site Director.

ESP is open before school for grades K-6 from 7:00 to 8:00 AM

ESP is open after school for grades K-12 until 5:30 PM .

This project is made possible through partial funding from the Park River Area School District.

# Park River Area Elementary School



School Hours  
8:35 AM to 3:30 PM

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## ***Mission Statement:***

### ***Promote Learning for all People in a Positive & Caring Atmosphere***

#### **The District**

The Park River Area School District #8 is a rural school district with an attendance area of 222 square miles. It includes the communities of Park River (pop. 1,392, Pisek (pop. 104) and Adams (pop. 125).

The economy in this district is agriculturally based; medical services (hospital, nursing home, clinic) are another mainstay of Park River's economy.

The elementary portion of the school was constructed in 2000. Our library was combined with the city library to give our students and the community access to all our resources. The School Board and administration are committed to maintaining a facility with up to date technology and addressing needs to assure we have a conducive learning environment. Elementary utilizes a gymnasium and stage, cafeteria/commons area, and music facilities. A Promethean ActivBoard and student response devices are standard for every classroom.

Based on North Dakota's Department of Public Instruction Adequate Yearly Progress Report, Park River Area Elementary School's composite score was: Reading 86.19% Math 93.92%

## **Enrollment**

Current elementary enrollment is 250 students in grades PK-6. The district is projecting stable enrollment.

#### **Staff**

The elementary staff consists of one principal, 20 certified teachers, a full time instructional coach and a half-time counselor, 4 teachers' aides, and 1 secretary. Speech and learning disability services are provided through the Upper Valley Special Education Unit.

#### **School Curriculum**

Reading/Language Arts—2003 McGraw-Hill Language Arts program with modifications to meet student's needs.

Mathematics—Saxon Math

Social Studies: McGraw Hill Time Links  
Science — McGraw Hill Science 2005

Performing Arts—Art, Music and 5th & 6th grade band

Physical Education—SPARK Curriculum and access to fitness room.

Assessments— All students are screened with benchmark assessments two or three times a year in the areas of reading, language arts, math and science. NDSA, NWEA MAP and DIBELS Next help to determine when a student needs more support.

Technology— 2 computer labs, 2 laptop labs, 2 iPad labs

## **Early Childhood Education**

Our district is excited to offer a half day **preschool** program, Monday-Thursdays, and an all day, every day kindergarten program. These programs offer engaging curriculum with hands-on instruction designed to meet each student's academic needs. Our goal: To provide an intellectually stimulating, developmentally appropriate, comfortable learning environment for our students.

#### **Response to Intervention Behavior**

The goal is to unite Park River Area School in a common language by clearly displaying and teaching behavior expectations; then rewarding the positive behavior student's display.

- Positive behavior is expected at all times.
- Common Expectations: Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Safe
- Pony Pride stickers are given as an exceptional reward. Ask your student "why" he or she was rewarded with a Pony Pride sticker.

#### **Hot Lunch Program**

Breakfast and Lunch are served to the students daily with K-2 having an afternoon milk break. After school snacks for ESP students are provided.

Students in grades K-8 receive a fruit or vegetable snack in the afternoons. The "Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program" is funded by North Dakota Team Nutrition.