



PASADENA EDUCATION NETWORK

Hamilton Elementary School Fact Sheet

Address: 2089 Rose Villa St, Pasadena, CA 91107

Phone: 626-396-5730

Website: hamilton.pusd.us

School hours: 8:45 am - 3:10 pm
Monday Early Dismissal 1:30 pm

Grade levels: Pre-K; TK to 5

Regular school tours: virtual tours one Wed./month at 10 AM:
<https://www.pusd.us/Page/1885>

Parent Ambassadors:
John Lynch, Sean Murray

Principal

Erika Cooper - Ms. Cooper was promoted to Principal of Hamilton Elementary in 2017. She previously served as the school’s curriculum resource teacher, language development resource teacher, and site administrative designee from 2007-2016.

Teachers

Hamilton’s classroom teachers and computer lab teacher are all certificated. Many have received recognition as “Teachers of Excellence.” Nichole Anderson named a Milken Educator Award recipient in 2018-19, the only national honoree from California.

Students (Demographic data from 2022-23)

Total Enrollment: **482**

Hispanic (Any race)	Non-Hispanic					2 or more ethnicities	Other / No ethnicity given
	African-American	Asian	Filipino	White			
43.4%	7.5%	11%	3.3%	23.4%	10%	1.5%	
English Language Learners (ELLs): 11.8% As English Learners progress they are first designated Initial Fluent English Proficient (6.8%) and eventually Reclassified as Fluent English-Proficient (3.5%)						Socioeconomically Disadvantaged: 51.5%	



Open Enrollment (Data from 2023 lotteries not predictive of next year’s outcomes)

# of Kinder applicants who listed school as 1st choice	103
% of Kinder applicants who listed school as 1st choice and got in	56%

PUSD will post the range of open enrollment seats projected to be available for the 2024-2025 school year in January 2024. Families are encouraged to rank all schools they would prefer to their assigned school of residence in order of preference, regardless of OE seat projections, and to opt in to the 2nd lottery if they do not get their preferred school in the first lottery.

Enrichment “Extras”

See also PEN Fact Sheet guide for “Enrichment Basics”

  Computer lab w/full-time technology teacher; instruction includes programming, coding, and 3D printing; GATE Club offers additional hands-on science, technology & engineering opportunities; Innovation Club for 3-5th grade students brings in creative problem-solving on STEM topics.

 3/4-time Librarian  Armory Center “Artful Connections” (integrates art & math curricula)

Hamilton has been named a **Gold Ribbon School**, received **Title 1 Academic Achievement** and **National Blue Ribbon School** awards, made the **California Honor Roll**, and has been honored for STEM education and by the California Business for Education Excellence Foundation.

Hamilton: what has changed recently? *Apart from getting a new principal in 2017, Hamilton has not undergone any significant changes in terms of program, leadership or demographic make-up recently. Parents support enrichment opportunities through fundraising and direct involvement.*

School Environment

Seven Habits of Happy Kids – Stephen Covey’s work provides framework for creating a positive school environment and building leadership skills; major grant supports Hamilton to become a “Leader in Me” school. **Positive Recognition:** Children recognized for positive actions that fill the “bucket” of self-esteem. “Students of the Month” and high attendance recognized at monthly assembly. Demonstrated excellence in academics or citizenship during each semester are placed on the honor roll.

After-School Programs

Pasadena LEARNS; Pasadena Parks and Recreation (available both before & after school). PTA also organizes wide variety of other after-school enrichment programs and clubs (fees run approximately \$150-200/session) – get up-to-date list of activities on the tour.

Parent Involvement

PTA Contact: Maythee Rojas pta@bobcatbuzz.com

PTA Membership: 203 (2022-23)

Other councils or committees with active parent participation: PTA, African-American Parent Council, English Learners Advisory Council, School Site Council, Hamilton Annual Fund. Parents organize a SMArt Night each spring to encourage participation in science and art, and a Fall Cultural Festival that celebrates the diversity of the student body (18 languages spoken).