

## Mulberry School Multi-Age Classroom



Here at Mulberry School, students in 1st through 3rd grades are placed in the same classroom, forming a multi-age community of learners. As a result, students are able to remain with the same teacher for multiple years, reducing the number of transitions in the early elementary years.

In the Multi-Age class, we focus on the development of the whole child—physical, emotional, academic, and social (think “PEAS”). We combine hands-on activities and traditional methods to address a variety of learning styles and preferences. With this approach, Common Core State Standards are used to help guide curriculum, alongside enrichment opportunities, play, and student interests.

Our Multi-Agers engage in literacy and math workshops differentiated for their levels. Science and social studies are geared toward creative problem-solving, celebrating diversity, and deepening our understanding of the world. Ecology, conservation education, and caring for our school garden are big parts of our science curriculum. We also participate in dedicated mindfulness and social-emotional learning through our weekly Mindful Mondays.

Art, Spanish, music, and other specials may be offered in any given year. Outside Mulberry, the Multi-Age class enjoys many field trips to performing arts venues, nature areas, museums, and more throughout the year.



## **Multi-Age Sample Schedule\***

9:00	Arrival
9:10-9:25	Morning Play
9:30-9:50	Morning Meeting
10:00-11:10	Math
11:15-11:45	Lunch
11:45-12:15	Recess
12:25-12:40	Read-Aloud
12:40-12:55	Read to Self
1:00-2:10	Literacy
2:15-2:45	Science/Social Studies
2:50-3:05	Pack up/Afternoon Play
3:10	Dismissal

\*Weekly music, art, Spanish, or other specials may also be offered.