



MISSION

Kent School prepares students for active citizenship through joyful and rigorous academics, arts, and athletics in an inclusive community that fosters moral excellence.

Kent School Strategic Plan

Teaching and Learning

- ✎ Connect curriculum throughout all grade levels for academic excellence
- ✎ Train all faculty in Mind, Brain, and Education science, and certify them in Neuroteach Global
- ✎ Create the definitive Chesapeake Bay Studies curriculum for PK - Grade 8
- ✎ Create and implement a social, emotional curriculum across all grade levels

Community

- ✎ Design internal and external community engagement that is aligned to the Mission and School Philosophy and effective in attracting and retaining students
- ✎ Create connection and partnership through empathetic, intentional communications with alumni, students, parents and employees
- ✎ Evaluate employee engagement and implement tactics as needed to ensure a robust, healthy employer-employee relationship that supports retention
- ✎ Implement an evaluation program to assess effectiveness of community engagement efforts to enable us to align resources appropriately

Environment

- ✎ Maximize learning opportunities afforded by our own campus and its location
- ✎ Become a permanent Maryland Association of Environmental and Outdoor Education Green School
- ✎ Maximize current and seek future partnerships with outdoor education organizations

Guiding Principles

- An inclusive community
- A student-centered culture
- Students are seen, known, and valued
- Trust-based relationships flourish
- Academic growth is balanced with social and emotional well being
- Active citizenship is encouraged
- Personal excellence and responsibility are promoted
- Stewardship of the environment is integrated into everything we do
- Research-informed teaching is utilized

School Philosophy

Kent School is committed to balancing academic growth with social and emotional well-being. We focus on applying research-based strategies to inform teaching and learning, embracing our environment, and building community.

Educators use best practices in mind, brain and education (MBE) science. Their continuing education paired with invaluable classroom experience affords our educators the agility to guide students through an experiential academic journey. We encourage our students' growth and achievement while meeting their unique needs, thus providing each individual with academic and social confidence that promotes success and fosters the development of honorable, responsible citizens.

Kent School's riverside campus and outdoor learning environment are unparalleled. Our location on the Chester River makes possible our signature Chesapeake Bay Studies program, which fosters hands-on environmental science and stewardship of the natural world.

We strive for trust-based relationships among teachers, students, and families that build character, contribute to a student-centered culture, create active, independent learners, and nurture a sense of belonging so that even the youngest students can feel at home and focused on learning.

This clear understanding of who we are – an inclusive school community, designed for effective teaching and learning, driven by research and immersed in the natural environment - means we can remain committed to what is most important for students.

Community and Culture Statement

Kent School draws strength from the dimensions of difference among our students, employees, Alumni, Trustees, families, and the world beyond our campus. Our School culture, built on trust, is one in which all individuals are seen, known, and valued. This culture depends on our ability to constantly learn, grow and improve as a community. We actively cultivate inclusivity, empowering individuals to thrive, contribute, and be respected for their unique abilities, perspectives, and cultural experiences.