

Lenox is a neighborhood school where students live close and walk to school. Lenox School has educated students in grades kindergarten through five since 1918. The school is positioned in the center of Pompton Lakes, located in the northern section of Passaic County New Jersey. During the 2014–15 school year, approximately 345 students attended Lenox School.

We are proud of our students, their accomplishments, and a staff who make every effort to offer developmentally appropriate curriculum for our students. The core curriculum includes instruction in language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, health, physical education, Spanish, music, art and technology.

A computer lab and two wireless computer carts help to augment instruction in the classroom and promote the Common Core State Standards. In addition, support services include basic skills instruction, speech, ESL, special education and Learning and a Language Disabled classroom (LLD). We offer before school classes in Basic Skills and music lessons for students in grades four and five.

The heart of our academic program is child-centered learning and student progress. Students are instructed at their levels of academic achievement. We improve classroom instructional strategies through site-based professional development. We utilize Reader's and Writer's Workshop to help students develop a lifelong love of reading and writing. We use several resources to deliver mathematics instruction aligned with the Common Core State Standards. This includes on line resources as well as a hands on approach to teaching mathematics.

We continually update and improve our classroom instruction through site-based professional development so that our teachers deliver a successful learning environment for all students. Reading and writing is emphasized focusing on instruction aligned with the Common Core State Standards. Teachers attend workshop days focused on mathematics instruction to meet the varied needs of our learners.

To keep pace with our fast moving technology-based society, teachers incorporate technology and infuse it into their lessons across the subject areas. In each classroom there is a MOBI or Smart Board to help teachers deliver instruction that is up to date and relevant for students.

All teachers have a laptop that assists in the delivery of instruction. The computer lab contains 26 computers and up to date software. The computer teacher, in conjunction with classroom teachers, connects technology with meaningful curriculum and instruction. Additionally, we utilize two traveling laptop carts our teachers use for instruction in all subject areas. In this way, we are able to put technology into all students' hands without leaving the classroom.

We continue to improve the academic achievement of our students at all grade levels and strive to assist students who are in need of additional instruction. Our Basic Skills instruction in both language arts literacy and mathematics occurs within the classroom setting. Additional targeted small group instruction is provided in the morning before school begins.

Lenox School offers resource room settings for those students who qualify for small group instruction in Special Education. Additionally, we house a Language and Learning Disabled (LLD) self-contained class. Using an inclusive model, we mainstream students into the regular education setting as much as possible. A committed team of teachers and paraprofessionals work together to guarantee these students experience success.

Our related arts program consists of art, computers, music, physical education and library. We have a Spanish teacher who provides Spanish lessons in classrooms. Lenox has a full time speech

and language specialist, a reading specialist and a math specialist. We offer English as a Second Language and Gifted and Talented programs in both academic areas and art.

Our music and art programs are a source of pride for our parents, students and staff. Each year, Lenox School presents grade level performances, school-wide assemblies, and musical concerts featuring our students for parents, staff and community.

Lenox School hosts an annual art show where all students' art work is proudly displayed for parents and the community. We participated in The World's Largest Concert and Grandparents Day. Annually, we conduct reading incentive and math incentive programs. We participate in a physical fitness based Problem Solving Night for our fourth graders. Lenox School held a school wide field day followed by a Walk a Thon to raise money for the High School Scholarship Fund.

Additionally, we promote the concept of giving to others through acts of kindness. Students donate Halloween candy to send to soldiers overseas. Lenox School's students write cards to thank our servicemen and police officers. Students also donate food to a local food pantry.

The Lenox School staff is dedicated to meeting the needs of the whole child. We are committed to demonstrating responsible, respectful behavior in our school. SOAR, which stands for Safety First, On Task, Act Responsibly, and Respect, addresses our school wide positive behavioral expectations.

Lenox School is very fortunate to benefit from the support of an involved parent community. The PTA generously offers many special events and exciting opportunities for our students. Some of the PTA sponsored activities include a Pumpkin Sale, Halloween Dance, Movie Nights, Holiday Shop, Bingo, and Book Fair.

A strong home-school connection is encouraged through our district and school's web site ([www.plps-k12.org](http://www.plps-k12.org)). Our monthly newsletter, *Lenox Hi-Lites*, keeps parents informed about monthly activities, important dates and special events. Parents are welcomed at Back-to-School Night, parent/teacher conferences (held twice a year), and at our many concerts and school wide activities. Student progress is communicated through report cards and parent teacher conferences.

Lenox Elementary School reflects the district's commitment to maximize each student's unique abilities. We are very proud of our caring, hardworking and dedicated teachers and staff members. Please visit our web site, [plps-k12.org](http://plps-k12.org) to learn more about Lenox School.