The mission of Brownsville Elementary School is to engage and challenge every student every day as we help them grow into lifelong learners.

School Highlights

Brownsville Elementary School celebrates its 50-year anniversary this year with many community events planned to highlight the impact the school has had on the Crozet community over the last half-century.

Building a strong community both inside and outside of the school is something in which Brownsville takes great pride. This can be seen in the classroom environment through the school’s dedication to the Responsive Classroom program. The program incorporates traditional elements of RC such as daily morning meetings among students, and this year the program is being pushed outside of the classroom to students’ recess experience. To enhance the recess time for all students and to strengthen the relationships students have with each other, the school is incorporating Responsive Classroom games into their recess program on a regular basis.

The school has a strong dedication to P-based learning for all students, offering them experiences that are project-, passion- or problem-based to build students’ skills in creative problem solving, communication and collaboration. Teachers enhance their instruction by incorporating technology on a regular basis. All students have access to instructional technology which includes a one-to-one student to computer ratio in grades 3-5. This allows students to have choice in the way they learn, the way they are assessed and how they demonstrate their learning in the classroom.

Choice and comfort for students extends beyond technology and into classroom design. The flexible furniture initiative, sponsored in conjunction with the school PTO, has allowed the school to offer a range of seating and classroom furniture options so that students have choices for the most comfortable way in which to work.

The school also provides a strong fine arts and electives program to all students, and many community activities at the school, including an annual color run, kindness in chalk day, a movie night, and a families in motion program.

Facility Information

- Built in 1966
- 90,550 sq. ft.
- Last major renovation 2009