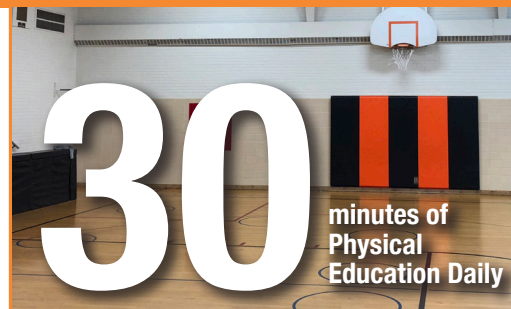


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## Aquila Elementary School



**545**  
Number of students  
in grades K-5



### Student Demographics

White: 45.3%  
Black/African American: 27.2%  
Hispanic/Latino: 11.4%  
Two or More Races: 11.2%  
Asian: 4.6%  
American Indian/Alaska Native: 0.4%



### MCA Proficiency Rates

Reading: 52.8%  
Math: 60.2%



**2** Days Per Week:  
• Spanish Instruction  
• Music Instruction



**34** Teachers  
with  
advanced  
degrees

Kids Place  
location for  
before and after  
school child  
care



Social,  
emotional,  
and mental  
health services  
available to all  
students



**Annual Events**  
Aquila Read\$  
Bingo Night  
Carnival  
Field Day



**Aquila  
Elementary School**

Kindergarten-Grade 5  
8500 West 31st Street  
St. Louis Park, MN 55426  
Office: 952-928-6500  
[www.slpschools.org/aq](http://www.slpschools.org/aq)

School Start/End Times  
(Effective 2020-21 school year)  
Start: 7:45 a.m.  
End: 2:15 p.m.

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## St. Louis Park Public Schools Mission Statement

As a caring, diverse community with a tradition of putting its children first, we will ensure all students attain their highest level of achievement; prepare all students to contribute to society; offer high quality opportunities for lifelong learning; provide multiple pathways to excellence; challenge all learners to meet high standards; and provide a safe and nurturing environment that energizes and enhances the spirit.

## Core Values

### We believe that...

- Everyone has equal intrinsic worth.
- We will enhance the healthy development of each learner by engaging and supporting families and communities.
- High expectations challenge everyone to higher levels of achievement.
- Through persistent effort in an equitable environment, everyone can achieve maximum performance.
- Lifelong learning is essential to the individual's quality of life and the vitality of the community.
- Everyone has the capacity and responsibility to contribute to the well being of others.
- Respect of self and others is fundamental for a strong, healthy community.
- High quality education creates opportunities throughout an individual's life.
- Embracing individual differences enriches a community.
- Hopes and dreams inspire and motivate people to invest in themselves and their community.

## IB-PYP Programs

Aquila, Peter Hobart, and Susan Lindgren Elementary Schools are all officially authorized by the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO) to provide ALL students a rigorous and diverse education through the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (IB-PYP).



St. Louis Park joins together with schools from across the world to create educational experiences that prepare students to be independent learners, understand different cultures, embrace challenges of the 21st century.

*For more information about International Baccalaureate in St. Louis Park Public Schools, contact the District Office by phone at 952-928-6000 or visit [slpschools.org](http://slpschools.org).*

## Aquila PTO

The mission of Aquila Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is to enhance the education experience of all Aquila students, families, and staff through fundraising, volunteer recruitment, and event planning.

We lend our energy, talent and time to improving the quality of education for all students. We support Aquila staff in their efforts to provide the highest academic, physical, and social education to all students. We promote teamwork among families, staff, and administration to ensure the highest levels of participation from students and their families. We invite broad participation from families that reflects the diversity of the Aquila community.

We assist families in developing skills they need to raise and protect their children through events and discussions.

*For more information about the Aquila PTO and PTO events, visit them on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/AquilaPTO](http://www.facebook.com/AquilaPTO).*

## Connect with us!

### Facebook:

@stlouisparkpublicschools (District)  
@AquilaPTO (Aquila PTO)

### Twitter:

@SLPublicSchools (District)  
@283SUP (Superintendent)

### Instagram:

st.louisparkpublicschools

### Web:

[slpschools.org/aq](http://slpschools.org/aq)

### YouTube:

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## Key Contacts

- Shelley Nielsen, Principal
- Olivia Tolzin, Assistant Principal
- Dee Gruning, Administrative Assistant
- Dana Baumeister, Social Worker
- Angela Hansen, Licensed School Nurse
- Heidi Galbraith, Health Aide

### Main Office:

952-928-6500

### Attendance Line:

952-928-6507

### Health Office:

952-928-6505

### School Nutrition:

952-928-6516

### Bus (Transportation):

612-437-4719

### Fax:

952-928-6466

### Multi-Cultural Liaisons:

Carmen Rudin, Spanish Liaison  
952-928-6018  
Tarabi Jama, Somali Liaison  
952-928-6017  
Julia McBride-Bibby, African American Liaison  
952-928-6059

## Welcome new resident! Enrollment & Registration Information

ISD #283 St. Louis Park Public Schools has a long and successful history we are proud to share. If you have moved to our community, to ensure that you receive information about early childhood screenings and kindergarten registration at the appropriate time, please email our District Enrollment Center at [enrollment@slpschools.org](mailto:enrollment@slpschools.org) or call 952-928-6023.



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