

Chatsworth Park Urban Planning Magnet School Legacy Project

At Chatsworth Park Urban Planning Magnet School we pride ourselves in the commitment to 'change' that will engross students in a forward-thinking, conscientious, interdisciplinary, and collaborative learning environment. As a school community we strive to honor all cultures and while celebrating diversity, we promote active involvement from all members of the community, staff, parents and students. The awareness of students' voice & aspirations is a compliment that will drive the academic approach in order for all stakeholders to reflect on the importance of student voice. Our school's Legacy Project highlights the fundamentals that could drive decision making and develops the future of our school and our community.

Our school in partnership with the Quaglia Institute is an action school promoting student voice. Student voice helps shape the learning experience by encouraging students to share their opinions, beliefs, perspectives, and cultural backgrounds. As a result, units, lessons, and projects become more relevant to students. Student voice is at the core of Project-Based Learning and teachers taking the role as facilitators are learning to embrace opportunities to engage in real-world dialogue with students. Using data from such tools as "Student Voice" and the "I Know My Class" surveys, we have a better understanding of the importance of student voice. The PBL activities/projects that we engage in during the school year enable our staff to recognize the importance of "students as partners."

-Aspirations Committee