

Personalized Professional Learning



Raymond Park Intermediate Academy is Making it Happen!



WE ARE Raymond Park Intermediate Academy, located on the eastside of Indianapolis in Warren Township. We serve over 600 students in grades 5 and 6. We launched a personalized learning initiative to help our students become more self-directed scholars who achieve success.

OUR STUDENTS & FAMILIES are the reason we strive for excellence. Our student population is comprised of students from diverse backgrounds, and over 75% of our students receive free or reduced lunch.

OUR TEACHERS provide rich, personalized learning experiences to students daily. We have 25 classroom teachers, 7 special education teachers, and several additional staff members who support our students. RPIA teachers are invested in their students and the community, and they model lifelong learning.

OUR PROMISING PRACTICE is based on Warren Township's personalized learning belief statement which professes that ALL learners deserve personalized learning experiences. As we personalize our students' learning, we know we must also personalize teachers' learning. Teachers are prime examples of lifelong learners, so we believe in allowing them a voice in their own professional development. We also know that all learners are at different stages in their learning. We strive to honor teachers' strengths and interests by encouraging them to pursue the learning paths they believe will best help them improve their instruction for the benefit of students.

OUR STEPS began after our district launched personalized learning for students. First we surveyed teachers to see what topics they wanted to learn more about, and we began designing learning opportunities. Teachers decide which opportunities they will pursue, based on school and personal goals. We gather feedback from teachers on a regular basis using Google forms, informal conversation, and reflection activities to track the effectiveness of past learning opportunities and plan for the future. Teachers feel empowered to study topics important to them, and our students benefit by learning from their innovative, enthusiastic teachers.



IN OUR OWN WORDS "Personalized professional learning is valuable to me as an educator because it helps me focus on the aspects of education I need to improve in for my students. Overall, I am a more well-rounded, innovative, and effective teacher." – Ms. Blumke, 6th grade math teacher

RPIA's Personalized Learning Belief Statement:

We believe educators and students deserve personalized learning experiences to be empowered to reach their full potential as self-directed individuals.

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