MILLTOWN
PUBLIC SCHOOLS
DISTRICT OVERVIEW
Welcome to Milltown Public Schools

Greetings and Introduction
Parkview Elementary School

- PreK
  - half-day inclusion
  - PSD full and half-day
- Kindergarten full day
- Grades 1-3
- Resource Rooms
  - In-class co-teaching
  - Pull-out
Joyce Kilmer Middle School
- Grade 4-5
  - Homerooms and LA/Math teams

- Grade 6-8 middle school
  - LA and Math block scheduling
  - Elective choices by semester
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Spotswood High School

Spotswood

- Send-receive district for Milltown high school aged students.
  - Tuition-based
- Bi-district articulation meetings
- Two committee meetings annually
- One full Board meeting annually

Middlesex County Vocational & Technical Schools

- No tuition
  - 14 students approximate average

Milltown Students at Spotswood High School average approx. 287
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Community Partners

• Milltown Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
• Milltown Education Foundation (MEF)
• Milltown Public Library
• Home Depot – Milltown
• Rutgers Cooperative Extension – Middlesex County
• St. Paul’s Church – Milltown
• United Methodist Church – Milltown
• VFW – Post #2319
• Rangers Athletic Club
• Ice Cream Depot (dictionaries)
Facilities Projects: recent examples
- HVAC system
- Security cameras
- Classroom storage space
- Playground equipment

Safety Grant: awarded annually
- H$2,500 toward repairs or upgrades

Lunch Program:
- Online system to allow parents to pay by credit card for student lunches.
Instruction and Programs

- Curriculum
- Instructional Programs
- Technology
- JK Electives
- Extra Curricular Activities
- Enrichment/G&T/Honors
- Curriculum Compacting
- Special Education
- ESL
Curriculum

- Aligned to State (NJSLS) and National (NGSS) standards

Common Assessments

- Mastery of standards
- Reteaching and reassessment toward mastery
- Teacher-developed
PreK and PreK Disabled Programs
- Aligned with NJ Student Learning Standards
- ABA and trial based (PreK disabled program only)
- Preschool domains of learning: social, emotional and academic
- Creative curriculum
- Wilson Fundations-foundation to early literacy skills

Kindergarten
- Daily Fundations
  - A Multisensory structured language program
  - Makes learning to read fun while laying the groundwork for lifelong literacy
  - Students receive instruction in foundational skills such as:
    - Phonemic awareness
    - Word study
    - Reading Fluency
    - Vocabulary
    - Handwriting
    - Comprehension strategies
    - Spelling

Grades 1-5
- Balanced literacy
- Math RtI
• Video Tech
• Geometry
• Creative Arts
• Cultural Awareness
• Geography
• Passport
• Study Skills
• Robotics
• STEM
• Intro to DECA
• Career Readiness
• Duolingo
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### Extra Curricular Activities

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<td>• March Madness</td>
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### 8th Grade Activities:

| • Haunted River Walk       | • Peer Tutoring Club            |
| • Overnight Trip           | • Student Council               |
| • Career Day               | • National Junior Honor Society |
| • Jeopardy - Color Wars    | • Honor Roll Breakfast – quarterly |
| • Variety Show             | • Student of the Month Luncheons|
| • Youth in Government     | • Kindergarten Promotion        |
| • 8th Grade Promotion     | • 3rd Grade Fly Up              |
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**Enrichment**
- grades K-3
- cross-curricular
- K-2 once a week
- grade 3, two times a week

**G&T**
- grades 4-5
- STEM - based
- three times a week

**Honors**
- grades 6-8
- Language arts and Math (Science coming soon)
- daily course
- Social Studies; compacting; Youth-in-Government (MBOE portion)
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Special Education

- Integrated Preschool Classes
- Day Preschool Disabled Class
- ABA Based Preschool Disabled Class
- Supplementary Instruction
- Pull Out Resource
- In Class Resource
- Special Classes
- 8th Grade Vo-tech classes
- Out of District placements
- Spotswood High School, Resource Center or Out of District
Goals
- Fluent communication
- Academic success
- Multicultural Awareness
- Parent communication (Parent Square)

Focus
- content-based activities
- listening and speaking skills
- basic interpersonal communication skills
- reading and writing abilities
- critical thinking skills
- effective use of technology in English and native languages
  - Duolingo
  - ESL Reading Smart
  - Brain POP ELL
  - Raz-kids
  - Reading Eggs
  - Starfall
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Technology

- Chromebooks
  - Student 1:1 take-home Chromebooks in each 6-8 grade classroom
  - Teacher Chromebooks in all grade levels
  - Chromebook carts/cabinets for each grade K-5
- iPads
  - iPads – PreK-1
- Science
  - Lego Robotics Lab using Chromebooks
  - STEM Lab
    - VR Goggles
    - CUE
    - Digital microscope
    - Explore Learning
- **Typing Agent**: Keyboarding program (K-6)
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Technology

- Google Platform
  - District is registered Google domain
  - Student, staff and Board member Gmail accounts
  - Integration of Google Classroom

- Genesis (Student Data Management System)
  - Genesis Parent Portal
    - Bio information
    - Attendance
    - Gradebook
    - Schedule
    - Report cards
  - Genesis Employee Portal
    - Evaluation system
    - PD tracking
    - Bio information

- IEP Direct
  - Special Education tracking
Prevention and Intervention

- HIB
- Intervention and Referral Services (I&RS)
- Dyslexia Screening
- Reading Recovery
- Fundations
- Leveled Literacy Interventions (LLI)
- Tiered System of Supports
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School Anti-Bullying Coordinator
Mrs. Jaclyn Citro, Assistant Principal

School Anti-Bullying Specialists
Parkview & Joyce Kilmer

HIB Preventions Programs:
Big Brother/Big Sister
Wingman
Middle School Advisors
Bully Boxes
Positive School Climate & Culture
Responsive Classroom
Morning Meeting
The First Six Weeks of School
World Kindness Day
Character Day
Intervention and Referral Services (I&RS) Team
Tiered System of Supports

MISSION STATEMENT
To ascertain the learning, behavior, or health difficulties of individual students and provide appropriate, tiered interventions to assist staff in promoting student success.

Administrators monitor student progress with teacher support.

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Tier 1

Tier 2

Tier 3
Tier I

- IXL LA (1st-8th)
- IXL Math (8th)
- Dreambox (1st-7th)
- Fundations (K)
- Raz-Kids (K)
- Leveled Guided Reading Groups (K-5th)
- Flexible Math Groups
- Study Guides
- I&RS Differentiation Checklist Strategies
- Responsive Classroom
- Morning Meeting (K-5th)
- L.E.A.D. (K-5th)
Tier 2

- Reading Eggs (K-3)
- Fundations (1st)
- LLI (2nd-5th)
- ALEKS Math (3rd, 6th-8th)
- IXL Math Skill Based (1st-2nd, 4th-5th)
- IXL LA Skill Based (6th-8th)
- LA small group instruction (6th-8th)
- Leveled Guided Reading Groups (6th-8th)
- Phonics First (2nd-3rd)
- Raz Kids (1st-5th)
- Before/After School Small Group Tutoring
- Read With Me
- Small Group Counseling
- Behavior Plan
- Suite 360 Small Group Lessons
- Wingman Partner
- Teacher Buddy
Tier 3

- Reading Recovery (1st)
- LLI (6th-8th)
- Nessy (2nd– 5th) [Dyslexia only]
- Fundations (2nd-3rd)
- Wilson Just Words (4th– 8th)
- Focus Math (1st– 2nd)
- IXL Math (3rd, 6th – 7th)
- ALEKS (4th – 5th)
- Dreambox (8th)
- Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA)
- Individual Counseling
- Risk-Assessment
- Psychological Evaluation
- Registered Behavior Tech (RBT) aide
- Suite 360 Individual Lessons
- Restorative Justice
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Dyslexia Screening

- **Screening Protocol**
  - Flowchart
    - Journey’s Reading Levels
    - Dyslexia Warning Sign Checklist
    - Dyslexia Quest

- **Interventions**
  - Nessy
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Fundations

- Multisensory, structured language programs for students in K-1 based on the Wilson Reading System.
- Phonemic awareness
- Phonics/word study
- High frequency word study
- Reading fluency
- Vocabulary
- Comprehension strategies
- Handwriting
- Spelling
Professional Development

- Mentoring Plan
- Professional Development Plan
- Professional Learning Communities (PLC’s)
- Personalized Learning
- Educator’s Academy
- Outside workshops
- In-service days
The Milltown School District believes that both the Novice and veteran teacher will benefit and grow in their profession through a formal induction program.

Focus:
- Professional growth
- Support
- Guidance
- Collaborative and reflective practices
PLCs change annually and meet 5 times per year. Examples are below:

- **Green Team**  
  Focus: Sustainability

- **Assessment**  
  Focus: Reading Benchmarks

- **Google Superusers**  
  Focus: Google Platform

- **ABA**  
  Focus: Rethink

- **PSCC/School Safety Team – Parkview**  
  Focus: HIB & School Safety

- **PSCC/School Safety Team – Joyce Kilmer**  
  Focus: HIB & School Safety

- **Math**  
  Focus: Mathematical Practices

- **LA**  
  Focus: Multiple Text Essays

- **Future Ready**  
  Focus: Technology
Parkview School
Grade Level Chairpeople:
- Preschool
- Kindergarten
- 1st Grade
- 2nd Grade
- 3rd Grade

Joyce Kilmer School
Department Chairpeople:
- 4/5 Grade Language Arts
- 4/5 Grade Math
- 6-8 Social Studies
- 6-8 Science
- 6-8 Math
- 6-8 ELA
District activities are linked to the goals developed from:

- The annual needs assessment survey
- State mandated legislation
- State and/or district initiatives
- Professional development