OUR MISSION

At Fairmont Private Schools, our mission: Is to develop and deliver a world-class P-12 education while focusing on the whole child. We provide a safe, nurturing environment where students can reach their highest potential and Pave their Path to success.

Fairmont students thrive in a safe and secure learning environment, where passionate educators are committed to students’ academic, social, and character development.

Our youngest Fairmont students benefit from a program that blends advanced academics, purposeful play, and developmentally appropriate activities. Children who go through Fairmont’s early childhood program: Master key literacy and math skills by the time they enter kindergarten. They will gain exposure to enriching activities, including dramatic play, technology, music, and art.
Beginning in kindergarten, Fairmont’s outstanding teachers create a homeroom environment where children master the basics of language arts, mathematics, social studies, and science. Hands-on, meaningful experiences help our students understand the world around them. Group activities facilitate development in language, fine motor, gross motor, social skills, cognitive skills, and establish reading and math readiness concepts.

**WHY JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN?**

Junior Kindergarten (JK) is for students turning five-years-old between September 1, and December 1, as well as for students who are not quite academically or developmentally ready for kindergarten. This first year of a two-year kindergarten program marks the beginning of their elementary education. Students attend a full day of school, which includes recess and lunch on the “big kid” playground, and specialty classes like music and art. The students follow a kindergarten level of language arts and mathematics programs. Upon completion of junior kindergarten, students advance to kindergarten.

**SAMPLE SCHEDULE**

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<td>Organized Extended Care Activities (Optional)</td>
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ELEMENTARY PROGRAM

The individualized learning paths developed for each child are based on testing, teacher interactions, and the student’s unique talents. The low student to teacher ratio fosters close connections with students for better guidance and academic success.

Fairmont elementary students also benefit from a variety of resources on campus, such as the Technology Education Center (TEC Lab) and enrichment classes taught by specialty teachers.

Students are encouraged to get involved with extracurricular activities at school like athletics, performing arts, debate, robotics, and more.

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*Schedule may vary slightly based on grade level.

CAMPUS LIFE

In Fairmont’s fun and engaging campus environment, students have the opportunity to learn and grow, not only in the classroom, but in the many extracurricular programs offered on each campus. Activities such as performing arts and competitive sports allow students to challenge themselves, while making connections and building friendships with their peers. Students are also encouraged to bond and learn during interactive field trips.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Students actively participate in community service events during the school year such as Socktober (LIMBS), Operation Candy (Armed Forces), Boxes of Love (City of Anaheim), and a Christmas Toy Drive (CHOC).
Fairmont’s junior high program teaches students the organizational and study skills necessary for success in higher education. Fairmont believes that preparation for high school involves more than academics. Our dedicated staff and faculty guide students, both inside and outside the classroom to explore the world around them and discover their passion.

Students benefit from a variety of resources such as computer labs, 1:1 iPad Program, libraries, theaters, gymnasiums, and athletic fields. Fairmont is committed to ensuring a safe and secure environment for students to continue enhancing their character, confidence, and social development.

**JUNIOR HIGH COURSES INCLUDE:**

**ENGLISH:** English 6, English 7, English 8

**LITERATURE:** Literature 6, Literature 7, Literature 8

**SCIENCE:** Earth Science 6, Life Science 7, Physical Science 8

**SOCIAL SCIENCE:** Ancient History 6, World History 7, U.S. History 8

**ELECTIVE:** Various options available and may vary from campus to campus. Refer to your campus’ Junior High Course Catalog for a complete listing of class offerings with full descriptions.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION:** Standard P.E. classes with an emphasis on sports skills, health, fitness, and sportsmanship.

**HEALTH:** Students meet once a week during their P.E. classes to learn methods of staying socially, mentally, and physically healthy.

**MATH:** Advanced Math options available, see box on the right for more details.
JUNIOR HIGH ELECTIVE COURSE OFFERINGS

VIDEO PRODUCTION/JOURNALISM: Students write, act, direct, film, and produce a focused video series.

COMPUTER SCIENCE: Students improve their computer skills in the areas of Photoshop, object-oriented programming, cyber safety, and keyboarding.

ART: Students work on different projects expanding their use of media and themes.

DRAMA: Students study performance techniques to produce two performances a year.

ORCHESTRA: Students choose an instrument and participate in performances twice a year.

ACADEMIC PENTATHLON: This course prepares pentathletes for annual competitions. All areas of the competition are studied: Language Arts, Math, History, Science, and Fine Arts.

ROBOTICS: Students build and program robots used in regional and national competitions.

HONORS COURSES

Honors courses are similar to regular courses, however students work at a faster pace, are introduced to additional texts, and are expected to write with a higher level of proficiency. Students are chosen for honors courses through teacher recommendations, standardized test scores, and writing proficiency assessments designed by Fairmont’s Education Department.

ADVANCED MATH

Beginning in junior high and continuing through Fairmont Prep, the Advanced Math track provides a highly individualized approach to math education.
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

HOMEWORK CLUB
Imagine picking up your child and learning that they have already completed most of their homework!

Homework Club is available from 3:15 pm – 4:15 pm, Monday through Thursday, and gives students the opportunity to work on homework after school.

ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE
Academic Assistance is available for junior high students needing extra help in a specific area of learning and is available daily from 3:15 pm – 4:15 pm.

EXTENDED DAY
Extended care is optional and available for elementary students from 7:00 am – 6:00 pm daily. Afternoon care is available for students from 4:15 pm – 6:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

SPORTS & ATHLETICS
Students at Fairmont receive a well-rounded education with the opportunity to participate in extracurricular sports. There are two athletic leagues which encompass different age ranges. The Developmental Sports League (DSL) consists of 4th through 6th grade students, while junior high students participate in the Tri-Way League. Sports include flag football, basketball, volleyball, and soccer.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
Fairmont offers a variety of after school enrichment classes that rotate each trimester. Classes offered previously include:

- Cooking
- Dance
- Robotics
- Debate
- Drama
- Art
- Chess
- Jr. Detectives
- Gymnastics
- Karate
- Soccer
- Dodgeball
- Golf
- Tennis
- Basketball
- Hockey
- Yoga
- Magic
- Martial Arts
- Discovery Science
- Young Doctors
- Crafts
- and more...
Do students have a dress code?
Yes. Fairmont students are required to wear school uniforms.

What is the best way to communicate with teachers?
Each teacher has his/her own phone extension, as well as an email address. If you have questions regarding your child's grade in a class or a specific question regarding class work, please contact the teacher directly. Blackboard is another great option for teacher communication. Log on at: www.fairmontschools.blackboard.com

How can I check my child's grades?
Each parent/guardian of students in 2nd grade or older will have access to our online system which displays current grades and comments from the teachers.

JUNIOR HIGH

How much homework can a Fairmont junior high student expect?
Homework is an essential part of a successful education. It is necessary for academic growth and the development of good study habits. Students in 7th-8th grade will be given nightly homework assignments Monday through Friday. Honors classes may require more.

How are students placed into classes?
Placement is based on teacher recommendation, grade in the class, and placement tests in math and English. Students new to Fairmont will take placement exams through the Admissions Department.

Is it possible for my child to have more than one test in a day?
As a general rule, no more than two tests are allowed per day at the junior high level.

Does each student receive a locker?
Each student will be assigned a locker and will purchase a lock from our P.E. Department. Since each student has a place for books and folders, a large backpack is not necessary.

Do students have physical education each day, and do they need to dress down?
Students have P.E. five days per week and need to dress down each day, or as instructed by their P.E. coach. P.E. clothes should be purchased at True Grits along with regular uniforms. All students will change in their appropriate locker room next to the gymnasium.