

## CORE VALUES

Our school community is a place where students, staff and families are valued and respected. We work together to provide a safe, welcoming environment in which all students thrive and love to learn!

## MISSION

Every single student, regardless of ethnicity, parental income, learning difference, culture, or native language, will become a fluent reader and will master the academic and intellectual skills necessary to succeed at the next level of schooling.

*Arthur Academy does not discriminate in any of its programs, procedures, or practices against any person on the basis of age, citizenship, color, disability, national origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sexual orientation, veteran status, or any other characteristic protected under the law.*

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# Welcome to Portland Arthur Academy Public Charter School



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## FAST FACTS:

- Opened in 2005
- Serving grades K-5
- Small school environment
- Total enrollment capacity is 180 students maximum
- Academically-focused public elementary school

### Model of Instruction

Arthur Academy Charter Schools use an incremental, mastery learning approach for teaching reading, math, language and spelling found in a series of detailed, pre-planned programs called Direct Instruction.

This specialized approach to teaching for the foundational subjects is based on a comprehensive model of instruction. Our model emphasizes well-developed and carefully planned lessons, designed around small learning increments and prescribed teaching tasks. Learning is arranged very incrementally so that students find learning easy but challenging and, therefore, can be successful in mastering everything that is taught as they progress through the programs.

Our model is a way of teaching that also defines our charter school option. Providing this model is based on the belief that a powerful way of teaching exists that is not being utilized in most schools, and therefore our charter schools offer it as a choice.

### What is a charter school?

Charter schools are public schools that are intended to provide innovative programs with specific educational philosophies and/or delivery models that offer additional options for students and families within the public school system. Charter schools are 501(c)3 organizations that enter into a contract with Portland Public Schools for sponsorship and they maintain a high level of autonomy in exchange for increased accountability. Charter schools are governed by Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 338.

### What is the relationship between charter schools and PPS?

PPS is responsible for oversight and monitoring of all charter schools sponsored by the district. PPS collects required annual deliverables, monitors financial stability and student performance, and ensures that the charter school is compliant with law and the contract.

### How does a student enroll in a charter school?

Charter school enrollment must be fair and equitable, and may only be limited by the age of the student, the grade of the student, and the space available. If the charter school receives more applications than it has spots available in a particular grade/class, then it must conduct an equitable lottery to determine enrollment for that class/grade.

Interested in enrolling?

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