



WHAT SETS PARK DAY SCHOOL APART

Park Day is widely renowned as the top Bay Area school helping students develop intrinsic motivation and a love of a learning.

Uniquely Park Day School

Deeply Progressive, Whole-Child Philosophy

Park Day's foundation is progressive education, prioritizing **project-based learning**, **real-world relevance**, and **student voice and engagement**. Across all disciplines, students are mentored to think critically, work collaboratively, and lead with purpose.

"Park Day students learn to take risks, think critically, and if they mess up or make a mistake, to try again – not because someone told them to, but because they are curious."

Jonathan S, 4th grade Parent

Developing Intrinsic Motivation & Engagement

At Park Day, **students are invested in their learning because they see its value, not just because it's assigned**. Academic rigor means learning challenging content paired with a joyful, student inquiry-based approach. Interdisciplinary projects that spark curiosity and invite students to problem-solve in a way that feels relevant and engaging.

"Park Day taught my child how to think, not what to think."

Mark N, Alumni Parent

Equity and Justice as Core Commitments

Diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging are student- and curriculum-centered. Students explore identity, fairness, and social systems in age-appropriate ways from day one, building empathy and civic responsibility from the ground up. Helping students think critically and use ethical reasoning is part of **teaching practice and community life**.

"This is the version of the world I want to see out in the universe"

Kara M, Kindergarten Parent

An Unmatched Campus

Tucked into 4 acres in the heart of Oakland, Park Day's campus offers a whimsical and **unique learning environment**. The edible garden, multitude of play spaces, woodshop, and tree lined paths influence the way the school teaches science, design, and inspires creativity. Perfect for exploration and imagination, the outdoor space shapes student life, TK - 8th.

"The campus is like Narnia – growing up here was magic."

Naomi A, Park Day Alum



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