

South SideGrade School

Current Exploration Opportunities

2023-2024

Effingham Unit 40 Strategic Plan Goal 5a: Provide exploration opportunities from start to finish that allows for student voice and control.

South Side Grade School houses grades 1-2 and provides instruction in the core content areas of Reading, Writing, Math, Science, and Social Studies in addition to special courses in PE, Music, Library, and Art.

South Side goes above and beyond by offering a variety of opportunities for students to explore

- Careers
- Life Skills
- Future Planning
- Hobbies and Interests
- Personal development and mental and physical health

These exploration opportunities come to life at South Side Grade School:

- Through Coursework
 - Technology lessons for exposure to basic technology concepts and Internet Safety
 - STEM and Computer Science in the library
 - Music Programs during the Winter and Spring
 - Farm Bureau's Ag in the Classroom for exposure to a variety of ag-focused content and experiences
 - English Language services for those who speak a language other than English
 - Field Trips to locations like Schaefer Pumpkin Patch, Children's Museum in Terre Haute, and Effingham Performance Center
 - Community Guest Speakers
 - Jump Rope for Heart
- Beyond Coursework
 - Friday Fun Days which allow students to choose activities
 - Family Fun Nights
 - Book Fairs
 - Bucket Filling to learn about respect, responsibility, kindness, and honesty
 - Active PTO
 - Parent and Grandparent Volunteers to assist in and out of the classroom
 - Therapy Dogs
 - End-of-Year Safari
 - Junior High and High School Visitors
 - Of course, Recess!