

Cliff Valley School Expanding to Grades 6-8



Cliff Valley School at a Glance

Our Mission

To provide outstanding preschool and elementary education, focused on children's academic and social development in a caring community environment.

Our Values

Child-centered: Our educational approach respects each child's unique abilities and allows children to be who they are.

Collaborative: We encourage parents' involvement in their children's education and in our school community.

Progressive: Our teachers are talented and creative. Behind this fun school is a research-based academic approach to learning.

Nonsectarian: We welcome and respect children and families from all backgrounds and beliefs.

Nurturing: We love children and work to foster their love of learning.

The success of Cliff Valley School's preschool and elementary programs coupled with the demands of its current families and the outside community has prompted the school to expand through grade eight.

"Despite tough economic times, Cliff Valley School is thriving, and our expansion through eighth grade comes in response to demand from our current families and the local community for 'more Cliff Valley,'" says Head of School Michael Edwards.

Sixth grade at Cliff Valley School will open in the fall of 2011, adding a grade each year thereafter. The middle school program will offer a college preparatory program based on national and independent school standards, differentiated to meet students' academic needs, and implemented in small groups.

The new programs will be consistent with the school's current mission and philosophy. Students in grades 6-8 will continue to have the outstanding enrichment programs offered in grades K-5: music, art, Spanish, PE, and Outdoor Classroom, and will experience additions such as drama and athletics.

Cliff Valley School is small by design, a strategy that will continue in grades six through eight. With low student-teacher ratios, students are able to take advantage of first-rate faculty and resources to meet their academic needs.

Future expansion of the current facility will provide additional classroom and administrative space, a science lab, a new music room, and a gymnasium with a stage for performing arts. The program expansion will be located on the existing campus at 2426 Clairmont Road.

For more information on Cliff Valley School or to request an application for your child, call 678.302.1302 or visit www.cliffvalleyschool.org.

Cliff Valley School is an independent, nonprofit, nonsectarian preschool and elementary school, founded in 1966. In a city filled with excellent independent schools, Cliff Valley School stands out – as one of Atlanta's "charms" in elementary and preschool education, according to *Atlanta* magazine.