

The Prosper Valley School Principal's Report

by Principal Aaron Cinquemani

The 2022-2023 school year kicked off with great energy and anticipation as a new class of 47 5th graders arrived and became TPVS Dragons. This year we had a total of 94 5th and 6th grade students.

Our very active Student Advisory collaborated with the entire student population to create the first TPVS Dragons Community Contract.

Dragons believe in:

- ↪ Being Safe, Physically, Verbally, Emotionally
- ↪ Being “Kempatetic”: Kind, Empatetic
- ↪ Being Patient, With Self, With Others

We continue to focus our programming on ensuring a nature or place-based context for all academic and social curriculum goals. To help realize this vision, staff and students have access to the Horizons Observatory, greenhouse, sugar shack, the hiking trails, and both Barnard Brook and Cloudland Brook, which are on our campus. To bolster and add to our programming, TPVS sought a grant that allowed us to install both an outdoor and indoor challenge course. The challenge course consists of a variety of low and high ropes course elements designed to directly engage students in collaborative problem solving, team work, strategy, and resilience.

This past summer the exterior of TPVS received a new coat of paint and solar panels were installed on the roof.

While it appeared that the pandemic was in the rear view mirror we continued to be vigilant in our health and safety protocols by ensuring both staff and students stayed home when sick. To ensure a safe and healthy work and learning environment, we thank all TPVS families and community members for joining us in this endeavor. We are blessed to have such an involved and supportive learning community.

Go Dragons!