

Welcome

Dear Parents,

I realize that you want to make the best decisions possible for your child's future.

Choosing a school that has proven to build a strong foundation in reading, writing and math are crucial components of your child's success.



CHERIE GODFREY
PRINCIPAL

Since 1994, Michigan residents have had the option to look beyond their neighborhood school and home school district for educational choices.

Choice is good — and I am convinced that your best choice is right here at Bates Elementary School.

For generations, our school has provided students with an excellent start to their lives, providing a safe, secure and stimulating learning environment for every child.

And we can do the same for your child.

Our staff is dedicated and caring and our instructional program meets or exceeds state standards. Finally, our approach to preparing confident children has stood the test of time.

You have choices, and I believe Bates Elementary School is one of your best options.

If your child isn't currently enrolled in our school, I encourage you to visit Bates and see what we have to offer.

Your first visit can be via our own website:
www.woodhaven.k12.mi.us/bates.htm

If you'd like to schedule a personal visit, please call me at 734.692.2217.

I'd be happy to show you around and answer any questions you may have.

Cherie Godfrey

BATES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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WHO WE ARE

Bates Elementary School is a K-5th grade educational facility dedicated to developing a community of independent and productive life-long learners.

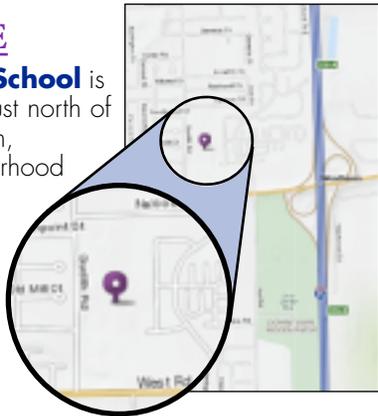
We're a neighborhood school where our parents know our staff, our staff knows our students — and we work together to create a bright future for every child.



WHERE WE ARE

Bates Elementary School is located on Gudith Road just north of West Road in Woodhaven, alongside a quiet neighborhood that provides our students with a safe environment.

Many of our students walk from nearby homes — and the rest get transportation from their parents to attend class.



OUR BUILDING PROGRAMS

Bates Elementary School offers a number of building-wide programs, events and activities designed to engage, motivate and reward our students for their efforts.

These include:

- The TerraCycle recycling program
- Annual food, blanket and coat drives for those in need — plus a “Kids Against Hunger” project
- A Safety & Service Squad Program
- 5th Grade Community Service Projects
- 5th Grade Band
- Educational field trips

Finally, we're listed as a Michigan “Green School”



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ABOUT OUR STAFF

Bates Elementary School prides itself on the experience and caring nature of our instructional staff. **Our teachers are all highly qualified** and many bring additional experience from other facilities.

Principal Cherie Godfrey is new to our school, but not to our district: she has served as an assistant principal at Brownstown Middle School and has taught at BMS and Bates and Yake elementary schools.

She has spent most of her life in the Downriver area, and now lives in nearby Southgate. She and her husband have three children.

Throughout her career, Cherie has made it her purpose in life to ensure her students are successful — at Bates and beyond.

That's commitment. That's experience. That's quality.



ABOUT OUR STUDENTS

Bates Elementary School students have consistently performed well on state and other standardized tests.

Our students also excel in classroom learning and the desire to succeed — while maintaining good citizenship and developing quality interpersonal skills.

ABOUT AYP

Bates Elementary School has once again achieved “Adequate Yearly Progress” — the state of Michigan's benchmark of student achievement.



To learn how we can prepare your child for a world of possibilities, call: **734.692.2217**

ABOUT OUR PARENTS

Bates Elementary School parents are quite simply the best, working one-on-one with our teachers and through our active PTO.

In addition, our dads are involved in the national Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) initiative of the National Center for Fathering.



ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

Bates Elementary School offers All-Day Kindergarten and a full day of classroom study aligned with state standards — with an emphasis on literacy and based on a demanding, comprehensive curriculum that's focused on college/career readiness.

We also offer:

- Interactive whiteboards in grades 4-6
- Computer Lab
- Reading buddy and mentor programs between upper and lower grade students
- Guided Reading Library for Leveled Instruction K-6
- Online parent/student classroom information
- Art, physical education, music and technology instruction
- An active Student Council
- National Geographic-based science course
- Guided Reading Program



ABOUT OUR SERVICES

Bates Elementary School provides a complete **special education program** for those who have specific learning disabilities or challenges.

Here is a brief list of other activities our students and staff participate in:

- Individualized instruction via our Supplemental Academic Support Staff
- The Response to Intervention (RTI) Program
- Reading and Math Family Nights
- Kindergarten Round Up
- Before- and after-school childcare (available)
- Free/reduced price lunch (to those who qualify)