



# A.D. HEALEY SCHOOL

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## Daily Schedule

### Healey Head Start/SMILE PreK

- 8:15am-8:45am PreK Breakfast/Entry
- 8:45am-1:45pm PreK Program
- 1:45pm-5:30pm Community Schools afterschool program

### Kindergarten - Grade 8

- 7:30am-8:00am Free breakfast available
- 8:10am-2:35pm Kindergarten-Grade 8 School Day

(Half-day Wednesdays end at noon. See SPS website for calendar)

- 2:35pm-5:30 pm Community Schools afterschool program

Community Schools afterschool programming is offered at the Healey. YMCA, Elizabeth Peabody House, Mystic Learning Center, and Parts & Crafts offer transportation from Healey to their program location.



This brochure is produced by Friends of Healey & Healey PTA. More information available at: [www.healeyfamilies.org](http://www.healeyfamilies.org)



**HEALEY SCHOOL CORE VALUES:  
EXCELLENCE, OPENNESS,  
CREATIVITY & JOY**





Welcome to the  
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SCHOOL**

Preschool-Grade 8

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## WHAT MAKES HEALEY SPECIAL?

The Healey School is an innovative, participatory learning community. We attract families from all over Somerville seeking a progressive approach to public education.

### WE ARE COMMITTED TO HANDS-ON, PROJECT-BASED LEARNING

We believe children learn best in a joyful, creative environment designed to meet the needs of different learning styles.

### WE LEARN OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

We have a portfolio of grade specific Essential Experiences, many which bring student learning outside the classroom. Older elementary students are invited to attend “Nature’s Classroom” – a unique overnight field trip where students are immersed in a natural habitat. Healey has a garden open to students during recess and used by teachers with their classrooms. Field trips are taken to local museums, colleges, businesses and public service organizations. Students in grades 7/8 have a tradition of an annual overnight to NYC or Washington, D.C.



### WE LOOP, WE CONNECT, WE SUPPORT

Healey practices looping in most grades (after Kindergarten) where students stay with the same teacher and students for two years to reduce transition time and build classroom community. We create opportunities for students to learn from one another across grades and classrooms, including assigning older “reading buddies” for younger children. Fostering values of caring and responsibility, Healey has a tradition of service learning, integrating such learning into the curriculum of all grades.

### WE ARE COMMITTED TO THE ARTS

We believe that bringing arts into the classroom gives students a way to represent the world around them. Arts faculty work with staff to integrate arts into the curriculum.

### WE ARE INVOLVED AND STRIVE TO EVOLVE

Healey has a strong history of parental involvement. The school hosts Community Meetings for parents, teachers and administrators to collaborate. We create teams of staff, parents and students to pursue new opportunities and solve problems. There is a school-wide email listserve, social media site and a printed Family Directory to help build community. Parents volunteer in classrooms and bring their unique perspectives and skills to enrich student learning.

