

Key Components

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- Smaller student to teacher ratios for all grades K-8
- An extended day program
- Saturday school for tutoring and remediation
- Strong parental involvement and support
- Integrated thematic instruction
- Individual learning plans
- Instruction that recognizes that children are gifted differently
- Multi-age groupings
- Instruction based on real-world experiences
- Students assigned to a team of teachers, tutors, and aides

Building strong students, one child at a time.

Charter schools in Texas receive only 72% of Conventional Public School Funding¹ and must supplement with private donors, grants and may even borrow money² to make up this growing difference. Charter schools are outpacing and out-testing their conventional public school peers in student achievement.³

1. **Conventional Public School Funding**
Data Source: Public Education Finances 2006, Table 11. States Ranked According to Per Pupil Elementary-Secondary Public, "School System Finance Amounts: 2005-06, U.S. Census Bureau, April 2008"
2. **Austin Family Magazine:** VanBuren, Jennifer "Alternative Ed. 101: Are Charter or Magnet Schools right for your child" August 2010.
3. **Center For Education Reform:** Allen, Jeanne & Consoletti, Alison & Kerwin, Kara. The Accountability Report Charter Schools. February 2009.



Eden Park Academy

A School of Choice

**A TEA
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Open Enrollment
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What Makes Our School Unique

Character counts at EPA where the school culture encourages respect, family values, and individual responsibility.

- Focus on individualized learning provides flexibility for those who either experience difficulty in the traditional learning environment or desire to direct their own education
- Community service roles for the students weave together the community and school in the educational enterprise
- Technology opportunities for students to prepare them for the 21st century
- Encourage initiative in educators and students
- The strength of our community is in our choice. Because teachers, students, and families have chosen EPA over neighborhood schools, involvement, volunteering, and attitudes toward education are all noticeably enthusiastic



Our Mission

Our mission is to develop confident, imaginative, productive, and responsible students possessing the habits, skills, and attitudes to succeed in high school, higher education, and the rest of their lives.

The History of Our School

Eden Park Academy Charter School became a reality in August of 1998, a collaborative effort of educators, parents, and members of the business community. These partners provided their talent and experience to the development of the school's philosophy.

Since its founding, Eden Park Academy has demonstrated that by using an individualized approach to education, it is possible for students to gain a lasting love of learning, build strong character, and achieve true academic excellence. By working together, EPA maintained a "Recognized" rating from the state for 2006, 2007, and 2008; in 2009 and 2010, EPA further improved, earning an "Exemplary" rating.

