



Kraxberger Middle School

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Our mission

Growing Great People

We believe in giving each student the hope, confidence, and skills to fulfill their highest potential.

School & Community

Kraxberger Middle School is in Gladstone, Oregon, a small town near Portland. The school serves a diverse population of 500 students in grades six, seven, and eight. Our small school community means teachers get to know each student as an individual, so they are better able to meet their unique needs. Because middle school is a time of exploration, Kraxberger offers students rotation or elective classes in subjects ranging from technology and Spanish, to band, choir, and art, as well as building things, creating comics, and media.

AVID College-Readiness System

Kraxberger's AVID program is a schoolwide college-readiness system. The program's focus is writing, inquiry, collaboration, reading, and organization skills. Learning strategies like Cornell Notes, keeping an organized binder, and participating in Socratic seminars prepares students for the rigor of high school. An AVID elective class provides leadership opportunities and small group tutoring to help students work to their highest potential.

Outdoor School

Kraxberger sends all sixth graders to a week of Outdoor School. There, students have the opportunity to study science, art, Oregon history, and sustainability in a variety of natural environments. This coming-of-age experience is an opportunity students remember for the rest of their lives, a fantastic way for the class to build stronger connections and make new friends.

Clubs & Activities

Gearheads Robotics Team
KAOS after school program
Drama
Book Club;
Cooking Club,
E-recycling

Positive Behavior Support

Kraxberger reinforces a school wide system of positive behavior supports that encourage each student to act respectfully, to work responsibly, and to stay safe. Part of the school's Culture of Care, which teaches students self-management, focus, resiliency, and social-emotional coping skills.

Standards-based Assessment

Kraxberger uses standards-based grading, which tracks student proficiency toward specific learning goals. This helps students and teachers focus on the specific skills each student needs to master, and provides multiple opportunities for a student to achieve proficiency.

