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Jeff Modaff, *Principal*

"Grace McWayne is a student-centered learning community where critical thinking and growth mindset are fostered through authentic and personalized experiences. We believe that a strong community is built through the collaborative efforts of teachers, students, and parents sharing responsibility for learning. We pride ourselves on creating a positive, safe, and respectful environment that encourages creativity, risk-taking, self-awareness, and a life-long love of learning."

School History

Grace McWayne Elementary School opened in 2001 and was named after Grace McWayne who taught in Batavia schools for 59 years. She is, and probably will always be, the educator with the longest tenure of service to the children of Batavia. GMS is one of six public elementary schools in Batavia and home to the District's K-5 Instructional Learning Program.

Academics and Student Support

Core Content Areas: Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies

Innovative & Enrichment Programs: Art, Music, Physical Education, STEM, Health

Student Support: Offer programs to support English learners, students with disabilities (K-5 Instructional Learning Program), and gifted and at-risk learners. Student services staff includes 6 special education teachers, 1 interventionist, 1 social worker, 1 psychologist, an EL teacher and enrichment coach.

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School enrollment

School Highlights

- All students issued a Chromebook with Google Suite software.

Annual Events

- Veterans Day Assembly
- Winter Wonderland
- Fun Fair
- Adult Trivia Night
- Art Fair
- Battle of the Books
- Skate Night
- Walk/Bike to School Days
- Outdoor Education Day
- Movie Night

Partnerships

- Grace McWayne PTO
- Batavia Foundation for Educational Excellence
- Watch D.O.G.S.
- Batavia Special-Education Parent Network
- Batavia United Way: Success by Six Program
- CHIP IN Batavia

Extracurricular Activities

- Band
- Orchestra
- Chorus
- Student Council
- Book Club
- STEM Club
- Coding Club
- Art Club
- Grizzly Running Club
- Grizzly Kids