“Tell me and I may forget, Teach me and I may remember, Involve me and I will learn.”
-Benjamin Franklin
NEWTON STREET SCHOOL

Newton Street School of Humanities is the second oldest school in the Newark Public School District. It has an enrollment of approximately 500 students in Pre-Kindergarten through eighth grade.

MISSION

The School’s mission statement states:

The mission of Newton Street School is to provide a quality education for all students. We believe all students will learn and succeed with the guidance of staff, parents, and the community.

MOTTO

The School Motto is “The Three D’s To Succeed”:

Desire to want to learn.
Discipline to train the mind, body, and character;
Dedication to never give up.

Newton Street School’s academic goals are related to maximizing student time-on-task, as well as creating and maintaining a highly effective and interactive instructional environment in which students learn to solve problems and to think critically. The curriculum is aligned with the Newark Public Schools Education Plan and the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards. Consequently, we are teaching our students strategies that will enable them to perform proficiently in the seven content areas: Language Arts/Literacy, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Visual and Performing Arts, World Language, and Comprehensive Health and Physical Education.

Designated a school of the humanities, all students participate in an interdisciplinary humanities class that incorporates drama, music, and dance. Students also participate in residency programs with the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Alvin Ailey Arts in Education Program, and Stand and Deliver.

SETON HALL UNIVERSITY

In an effort to improve student achievement and the quality of instruction, Newton Street has formed a unique partnership with Seton Hall University and the Newark Teachers Union. The School Leadership Council has been restructured into a governance committee with members representing the school, the partners, the community, and the New Jersey Department of Education. The governance committee works in three specific areas essential to successful schools: leadership, teaching and learning, and school culture and environment.

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Newton Street, considered a community school, extends the learning beyond the regular school day for all of the students. Students in kindergarten through grade 5 participate in the After School Youth Development Program and Success Academy. In grades 6 – 8, the school day has been extended one hour for all students. During this extra class period, students receive targeted instruction based on all available achievement data in the core academic areas of Language Arts/Literacy, Mathematics and Science. An optional after school program follows which includes homework assistance and various co-curricular activities.