

JIMMIE TYLER BRASHEAR ADVOCATE FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Jimmie Tyler Brashear was born July 2, 1903, in Lexington, Ky. The granddaughter of slaves, she was encouraged by her family to seek an education. Her parents, a teacher and a barber, sent Brashear to live with an aunt in Madison, Wis., so she could attend better schools in a bigger city. She took advantage of the opportunity.



In 1924, Brashear was the only African American in her graduating class at the University of Wisconsin. She earned two master's degrees and taught at Tuskegee Institute in Alabama and Prairie View A&M College in Texas.

Brashear was the first African-American administrator employed by the Dallas Independent School District and was the only African-American female instructional supervisor in Texas for many years. Brashear built a 38-year legacy in Dallas schools, serving as an educator and administrator, and was instrumental in the creation and organization of the Second Dallas Association for Childhood Education. After she retired from the Dallas ISD in 1967, the 64-year-old Brashear taught and mentored students at Bishop College in Dallas.

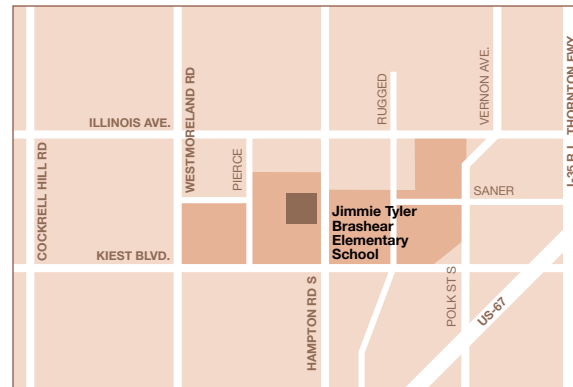
In 1997, the Texas State Senate honored Brashear with a resolution that stated, "It is indeed fitting and appropriate that the Texas Senate join the citizens of Dallas and the Dallas Independent School District in paying tribute to Jimmie Tyler Brashear for her countless achievements and service on behalf of the school children of Texas."

Brashear died in 1999 at the age of 95.

FEEDER PATTERN

Grades PreK-5	Grade 6	Grades 7-8	Grades 9-12
Jimmie Tyler Brashear ES	Jimmie Tyler Brashear ES	T.W. Browne MS	Justin F. Kimball HS

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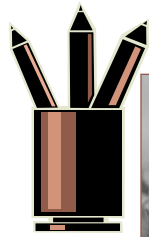
**Jimmie Tyler Brashear
Elementary School**
2959 S. Hampton Road
Dallas, TX 75224



**JIMMIE TYLER BRASHEAR
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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INTRODUCTION

Bordering the city of Dallas' Kiest Park in southwest Dallas, the new Jimmie Tyler Brashear Elementary School serves about 825 students. The school is located on Hampton Road between Kiest Boulevard and Illinois Avenue. The school is receiving students from John W. Carpenter, Margaret B. Henderson, Maria Moreno, and Daniel Webster elementary schools.

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SPECIAL FEATURES

Jimmie Tyler Brashear Elementary School shares the city of Dallas' new Hampton-Illinois Branch Library. **The school and library are connected by an interior corridor and will share an amphitheater and reading courtyard**, which includes **public art created by Texas artist Frances Bagley**.

The school and library **building designs reflect the post-World War II architecture and construction features** evidenced in local business buildings, such as **large windows and overhangs**. The school's **tall clerestory elements**—large windows rising above the roof—in the entry and staircase areas emphasize the building's **use of natural light**.

The building has about 89,000 square feet and includes **33 core classrooms** plus a **science lab, computer lab, art and music rooms, media center, auditorium, gymnasium, and cafeteria and kitchen area**. The school also has **special education and speech classrooms**.

A **videoconferencing center** enables students to learn and discuss lessons with their peers from other schools in and outside of Texas and receive instruction from a variety of experts.

Outside, a **paved play court** and **soccer field** give students and neighborhood children many opportunities for **structured physical activity and play**.

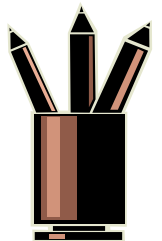
ACADEMIC FEATURES

Students are given many opportunities to explore their creativity in the school's **computer and science labs** and through the **music and art programs**.

The school offers **full-day prekindergarten classes**, which prepare students to enter elementary school ready to read and to learn. Prekindergarten, kindergarten, and first-grade English-language learners are instructed using the **dual-language model**, which focuses on enriching each student's educational experience instead of taking a remedial approach to learning English. One grade will be added each year until all students whose native language is Spanish will be participating in the new model.

Enrichment and after-school programs include **student council; chess, etiquette, and Spanish clubs; Boy and Girl Scouts; choir, art, and drama; and competitive sports**.

Parents have the opportunity to meet and discuss issues with the school's principal during a **monthly breakfast**. **Parent workshops** are held throughout the year, as are **career days and job fairs** for students and parents. Parents and residents of the T.D. Jakes Primrose Senior Residence Center are **active volunteers** at the school.



Grade levels
Prekindergarten through sixth grade

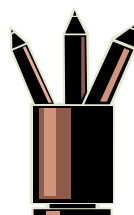
Enrollment
825 students

Size
89,000 square feet

Number of classrooms
33

Construction cost
\$18 million

Opened
August 2006



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