

# A Collaborative Learning School in Partnership with the University of St. Thomas

Maxfield Elementary School has served Saint Paul's vibrant and diverse Rondo neighborhood for over 130 years. Maxfield is, above all, a community school that works together to help our children succeed.

Each year, Maxfield grows stronger through the involvement of our families, partners and the larger community. Starting in the 2023-24 school year, Maxfield will welcome a new partner to our school community: the University of St. Thomas.

#### **Collaborative Learning School**

As a Collaborative Learning School, Maxfield will partner with the University of St. Thomas to train teachers, develop and apply best practices for teaching and learning, and provide professional development to create incredible student-centered learning environments. This innovative model will enhance our students' ability to think critically, pursue their dreams and change the world.

Beginning on the first day of school, St. Thomas students and faculty members will partner with school staff to provide innovative and engaging educational opportunities for Maxfield students. St. Thomas faculty and current Maxfield teachers will partner to advance the profession through research and implementation of best practices.

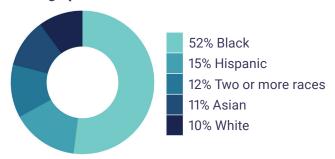
One of the best things about this partnership is that it will help us develop and hire more teachers in the coming years. Research shows that better teacher preparation leads to better student outcomes. This will benefit not only Maxfield Elementary, but students and educators across the Saint Paul Public Schools district.

## Learn more at: spps.org/maxfieldCLS

#### **About Maxfield Elementary**

- · 130-year history in Rondo
- · 350 PreK-5 students
- Art, PE, science, African drumming, global studies, Makerspace
- Strong community partnerships

#### **Demographics:**



### **About University of St. Thomas**

- Catholic university founded in 1885 by Archbishop John Ireland
- · Three campuses (St. Paul, Minneapolis, Rome)
- · 9,000+ undergraduate and graduate students
- · Eight schools and colleges
- · 21 Division I sports teams
- · Recognized as a First-Gen Forward Institution
- Top-ranked military friendly campus





