

# Meet Kate Furbish Elementary!

Before your first day of volunteering, we have a few tips to help you understand the environment and the students you'll be working with.

- [Kate Furbish](#) opened in 2020. It is a public school that serves grades preK-2 (ages 3-8) in Brunswick.
- Some students' parents work at Bowdoin, some have never been on Bowdoin's campus. One of the benefits of Multilingual Mainers is early exposure to higher education. As a college student, you're a role model.
- The 2021-22 student population was 83% caucasian, 4% hispanic, 4% black, 2% Asian, and 6% two or more races.
- About 23% of students qualify for free and reduced lunch.
- The town of Brunswick remains predominantly white, but new Mainers frequently arrive due to growing immigration in Maine. In February of 2022, Brunswick welcomed [over 100 families](#). Some of their children attend local schools.
- With the help of Multilingual Mainers, Kate Furbish has compiled a multilingual selection of books in the school library. If you have ideas about books to add to the collection, please reach out.

