Dr. David J. Prelutsky
Class of 1972

David J. Prelutsky was born in St. Louis and moved as an infant to University City. He graduated in 1972 as one of University City High School’s valedictorians.

At Northwestern University, he majored in biological sciences, graduating in three years. He then attended St. Louis University School of Medicine.

In 1986, he left his private practice when he realized he had philosophical differences with his fellow physicians there, mainly over the care of patients with AIDS.

He began his own practice with the mission to treat all patients, regardless of their diagnosis, race, class, sexual preference, or gender identity.

Prelutsky was a pioneer in the treatment of HIV in the primary care setting, participating in multiple clinical trials.

As an associate professor of clinical medicine at Washington University, Prelutsky enjoys teaching medical students, interns and residents about internal medicine and HIV care.