

Arnold Magnet Academy

Our Academic Program

Arnold has long been known for its pursuit of excellence. We are recognized throughout the community and state as a leader, an innovator, and a place where students learn and excel in all aspects of education. In recognition of Arnold's exemplary performance the state of Georgia has presented Arnold with over \$300,000 in Pay for Performance Awards and its highest honor, the Georgia School of Excellence Award. Arnold Magnet Academy, a math, science, and technology magnet, is continuing the Arnold tradition of excellence. Over a quarter of a million dollars in new technology and the integration of curriculum through math, science and technology provide our students the opportunity to be more than well prepared for any high school program.

Our Technology

- School-wide Computer Network
- Internet Access for All Computers
- Student Computer Labs in Every Academic Classroom
- Video Conferencing Available in Every Academic Classroom
- Graphing Calculators for Math and Science Classes
- Media Research Computer Lab
- Student Activity Computer Lab
- Portable Computer Lab
- Educational Technology Lab
- Video Lab
- Digital Cameras
- Digital Video Camera
- Video Cameras
- Scanners
- Computer Projectors
- On-Site Instructional Technology Specialist
- RTVL Rams TV Live - Daily Student Produced Television Broadcast
- Continuous Electronic Bulletin Broadcasting in every Classroom
- Interactive Web

Our Students

Arnold Magnet Academy seeks students with a high interest in math, science, and technology. More importantly, we seek students with a desire to achieve and go beyond the limits. Interested students should have a 6 stanine in math, a 3.0 overall academic average, and a B in conduct.

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East Columbus Magnet Academy

Our Academic Program

The East Columbus Magnet Academy for Gifted/Talented is a rigorous program to extend the middle school curriculum. The goal of the magnet is to advance the learning across the curriculum as well as to extend the curriculum beyond the program of the regular student. The SPIRIT of East Columbus stands for Students Progressing In Rigorous Individual Talents. Students can excel in a program that is especially designed to enhance individual talents in developing leaders of tomorrow. Students are provided with extensive use of technology to allow for research, video conferencing, and telecommunication to prepare them for the future.

Our Community Service

Students are encouraged to enhance their academic program through application of their skills to projects within the community. Students are taught that there are many ways to work within the community; they may give of their time, talent, and /or resources. Community service is often coordinated through various organizations within the school.

Several students represent East Columbus Magnet Academy on the Columbus Youth Advisory Council. Through this representation the students can be a part of citywide projects with all schools. Community service activities have included support for Red Cross, Help the Hooch, food drives, clothing drives, and many more.

Our Students

Students who are interested in a challenge are encouraged to apply for this program. Applicants are selected by their performance on state/national tests, grade point average, and recommendations from teachers. State identified gifted students and students previously enrolled in magnet programs at other schools are given priority.

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Richards Middle School (IB)

Our Academic Program

The International Baccalaureate Program is a program of advanced study in all core academic areas designed to meet the educational needs of high-ability and high-achieving students. It also includes a full year of foreign language instruction during each year of the program along with enrichment area studies such as music, art, and technology while emphasizing the connectivity of all areas. As the name suggests, the IB program is used in countries around the globe. In the Muscogee County School District, three schools are IB schools: Clubview Elementary, Richards Middle, and Hardaway High. These schools enable a student to enjoy a total IB educational experience while attending elementary and middle schools on the same campus and attending high school a few blocks away. However, students from any elementary school may apply for entry into the Richards IB program, and students leaving Richards will be prepared for any high school's advanced instruction.

Our Students

The IB classes will be limited to those students in the top 25%, approximately, of their peer group. Their studies will emphasize the “wholeness” of learning and will seek to educate and develop the whole person. It will emphasize global aspects of the core academic areas as well that of the human experience. Math, science, social studies, language arts, and enrichment courses will be studied by students as interconnected, cross-curriculum areas with worldwide relevance and application. The IB program focuses on the development and maturity of the middle school student.

Activities

- Full Year of Foreign Language
- Social Science Fair Projects
- Science Fair and Science Research Papers
- Language Arts Competitions
- Math Competitions
- Social Studies Research Papers
- Language Arts Research Papers
- Five Hours of Community Service

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