



ARTS IMPACT MIDDLE SCHOOL

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VISION: By the end of 8th grade, every Arts I.M.P.A.C.T Middle School student will develop an arts integrated e-portfolio that showcases their arts.

SCHOOL MISSION: At Arts I.M.P.A.C.T Middle School every student will develop to their fullest potential as an artist, creative thinker, and independent lifelong learner.

ACADEMIC BRIEF: Arts I.M.P.A.C.T Middle School has a committed teaching staff that provides creative and arts-oriented students the opportunity to achieve their full artistic and intellectual potential. Instruction infuses the arts into academic core subjects, while arts studies are similarly enriched with information from academic subjects. The arts component of the school provides students with an alternative approach to learning. The students at AIMS have the ability to participate in many arts experiences and performance opportunities throughout the community. In addition, many outstanding artists in the community visit, perform, and interact with our students. Diversity is celebrated at AIMS as students of varied academic, social and cultural backgrounds unite to create a safe, nurturing, respectful and effective global learning community. Prospective students and parents are encouraged to visit Arts IMPACT Middle School.

DRESS CODE: Bottoms: *Solid black/khaki shorts, skirts, or business casual pants (Dickies/Dockers). No denim jeans will be allowed. Top:* *Solid white/black polo or collared shirts. Outerwear:* Plain black, white or gray. **Shoes:** *No flip-flops/athletic slides, sandals, or open-toed shoes. No hoodies of any kind.*

CURRICULUM: McGraw Hill StudySync, McGraw Hill Reveal Math, science, social studies, Spanish (Japanese, French or Italian – at Fort Hayes in alternate years), health, visual art, orchestra, band, physical education, dance, theatre, vocal music, technology, media arts, and gifted and talented.

READING PROGRAM: Novel Study (vocabulary development, extended writing short and long responses, comparative texts) News ELA and Achieve 3000

PARENT INVOLVEMENT: Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), Parent Arts Committee (PAC), parent volunteers and Family Ambassador

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS: We Amplify Voices (WAV), Milo Grogan Rec Center, The King Arts Complex, Wexner Center for the Arts, Ballet Met, Project Mentor, CAPA, Transit Arts, The Ohio State University, Columbus College of Arts & Design, Jazz Arts Group, Short Stop Teen Center, Davis Discovery Center.

WHAT WE DO FOR FUN: Hands-on, project based learning, performances in the arts, educational field trips and assemblies, talent shows and PTO sponsored social events.

ACTIVITIES: Math Counts, Chess Club, Power of the Pen, Drama Club, Invention Convention, Art Club, co-ed soccer and track, girl's volleyball, boy's and girl's basketball, softball, baseball and many arts-based activities and trips.

ABOUT OUR STAFF: Eighty-five percent of all teachers have their Master's degrees and an average of 15 years of teaching experience.