



COLUMBUS GIFTED ACADEMY

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COMMUNITY: Region VI - Eligibility Required

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SCHOOL MISSION: Each student is highly educated, prepared for leadership and service, and empowered for success as a citizen in a global community.

SCHOOL VISION: Active Learners. Innovative Thinkers. Compassionate Leaders.

DRESS CODE: Students are expected to follow the Dress Code outlined in the District's Guide to Student Success.

WHAT MAKES THIS SCHOOL OUTSTANDING

We are the first and only separately-housed program for gifted students in Central Ohio. This allows us to tailor the academic curriculum and social-emotional supports to the special needs of these students.

SPECIALTY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES/CURRICULUM:

Reading, math, language arts, science, social studies, art, music, and physical education are taught through an integrated, problem-based curriculum with drama embedded throughout all grade levels with the support of our community partners. Mathematics and language arts are taught in a mastery format allowing students to progress through advanced levels of content at their own pace. Sandra Kaplan's Depth and Complexity Framework is integrated in standards-based curriculum to ensure appropriate rigor for the gifted learner. Supplemental language arts units developed by the College of William and Mary and supplemental math units from Kendall Hunt's Mentoring Mathematical Minds (M3) program provide additional challenges for students. Students interested in pursuing foreign language study may do so through independent study with school mentoring.

FAMILY SUPPORT AND RESOURCES

We have a very strong Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) ready to assist in any way. We also have an active parent group called PACE created to support families of gifted students across the district. PACE is an affiliate of the Ohio Association for Gifted Children. Both groups have their own websites and Facebook pages.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Students at all levels work with wide range of community partners and individual volunteers. Our middle school program works closely with key community partners as they engage in real-world learning scenarios. Interdisciplinary projects have been developed in partnership with Actors' Theatre of Columbus, Center for Science and Industry (COSI), Columbus Museum of Art (CMA), Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, Grange Audubon, Ohio History Connection, PAST Foundation, See Kids Dream and Thurber House.



STUDENT ACTIVITIES:

- Chess
- Debate
- Robotics
- Student Council
- Newspaper
- Math
- Art
- Book Club
- Choir (grades 4 and up)
- Orchestra (grades 4 and up)
- Interscholastic sports with home school



SCHOOL LEADERSHIP:

Amanda Reidenbaugh, *Director*