



Third Grade at Columbus Gifted Academy

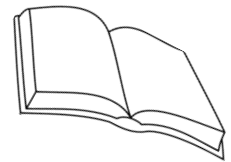
Gifted Services

Gifted Specialists are the classroom teachers all day, every day, and for every subject (ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies, Health). The state and district mandated third grade curriculum and standards are followed with lessons geared toward the gifted learning style - at a faster pace and with high standards for academic rigor and depth. Curriculum enrichment and expansion occurs as appropriate.



Inside the Classroom

- Project-based learning
- Compacted curriculum
- Higher level and creative thinking embedded in curriculum
- Math acceleration, if appropriate
- Novels read on a consistent basis whole-class and independently
- Research-based multi-paragraph essays



Beyond the Classroom

- Unified Arts: art, music, gym, theatre, drama, library
- Off-campus visits fluctuate yearly. In the past we have visited Slate Run Historical Farm, Franklin Park Conservatory, Columbus Zoo, Goodale Park, Schiller Park, and Kelton House.
- Yoga, Girls on the Run, and Chess Tournament opportunities



Habits of a Successful Scholar at CGA

- Shows perseverance with challenging tasks
- Has a strong work ethic
- Ability to thrive in a fast-paced, academically rigorous environment
- Enjoys the depth and complexity of ideas, lessons, and projects



Becoming a Phoenix

As Gifted Specialists experienced with teaching gifted learners, third grade teachers take care to embed many social/emotional supports into classroom lessons and activities, especially in the first few weeks of school. We purposefully support our newest scholars through the transition into full inclusion gifted education and into the CGA community through many activities and experiences. We closely monitor the transition for all scholars and provide more targeted supports when the need arises for individual students.



Meet the Team

Please feel free to email any or all of us with questions as you explore the environment that is most appropriate for your family. We understand the complexity of factors involved and have lots of experience assisting with this transition. We are happy to help!

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