



Lexington Middle School

An International Baccalaureate World School

Inspire Prepare Empower

Welcome to Lexington Middle School!

We are excited to begin the Wildcat journey with you! Lexington Middle School enjoys a long tradition of high student achievement and exemplary performance in academics, the arts, and athletics. Everything we do is guided by our school mission -- To inspire, prepare, and empower our students to make their world a better place. This mission comes alive in our students' day-to-day experiences in classes and through extracurricular activities.

Lexington Middle is authorized as an IB Middle Years Program World School and part of a global community of schools committed to developing knowledgeable, caring young people who will be ready to negotiate their futures successfully. As such, we guarantee all students will receive high quality instruction in eight inter-related subject areas. In addition to the traditional core classes, we emphasize the development of the whole child through second-language learning, the visual and performing arts, health and physical education, and creative design. In their time at LMS, our students will develop clearly defined skills that align with the content in these eight areas, as well as specific "approaches to learning," or habits that help them achieve their goals.

To navigate this three-year journey, we have developed specific pathways, each providing a balance of exploration and student interests, outside of the traditional core subject areas. Within each path there are specific course offerings – some required, and some that students choose. These pathways ensure that all students at LMS develop all eight subject areas in balance with each other, while still allowing for some personal preference. This balanced approach helps build a foundation for high school and beyond.

We have provided you with a course selection sheet including placement levels for math and language arts (ELA), an option to choose a world language, and the two path options (Performing Arts or the Renaissance Path). You will also find course descriptions on the reverse side of the selection sheet. We hope these help you better understand the aims and objectives of our PE, arts, and design courses.

We will host two parent information meetings to review the registration process on Tuesday, February 13 and Thursday, February 15 at 6:00 in the theater at Lexington Middle School. Tuesday will be designated for LMES and NPES, and Thursday will be designated for LES and MES parents. The designations are designed to help us with seating and parking, but if that night won't work, feel free to come on the other night. The meetings will be exactly the same and should last no more than one hour. We ask that you wait until after the meetings to finalize course selections and return course selection sheets to your child's homeroom teacher.

Again, we are so excited to have you join the Wildcat family. If we can help you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us at 821-3700. We are ready to inspire, prepare, and empower!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Gloria Nester', located below the word 'Sincerely,'.

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