



WILLIAMSBURG MIDDLE SCHOOL

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This school is fully accredited by the State of Virginia and through the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

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Williamsburg Middle School challenges students to learn in an environment that is organized by teams within the school. Dedicated faculty work with students in and out of the classroom providing a successful transition between elementary and high school. The school's academic success can be attributed in large part to a highly qualified and dedicated staff and the strong support and active involvement of parents. At Williamsburg we prepare our students for higher education while celebrating diversity and implementing character education.

Williamsburg's program consists of a team approach for learning where our students can grow and develop academically, socially, emotionally, and physically. Teachers, counselors, administrators, and support staff have worked together to design educational activities for the middle school student that are child-centered and give students the opportunity to become thoughtful, productive, and contributing members of society in an atmosphere of acceptance and respect. In order to be more synergistically effective in pursuit of our educational goals, Williamsburg is self-reflective and maintains consistent oversight of our outstanding education program. Williamsburg strives to improve student achievement, reduce gaps in achievement, deliver responsive education, build effective relationships and integrate technology.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Regional Science Fair winners
- Virginia Junior Academy of Science awards
- Superior ratings for music program
- State and regional Reflections Contest winners
- Knowledge Masters – champions
- Continental Math League – champions
- Ten National Board Certified teachers
- Staff presents at local, state and national conferences
- National Latin Exam winners
- Honors Band and Honors Orchestra
- Character Education/Student of the Month recognitions

INSTRUCTIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- All teachers participate in Professional Learning Communities
- Frequent progress reporting
- SOL Enrichment sixth-eighth grades
- Intensified Math courses sixth-eighth grades
- School-wide Sustained Silent Reading twice per week
- State-of-the-art technology laboratory
- Sixth grade science teachers partner with Earth Force program to highlight environmental issues and create action research projects.
- Eighth grade teachers and students explore global issues through Heifer International efforts.
- LCD Projectors and SMART Board technology in all classrooms
- Blackboard communication for homework, activities and instructional assignments
- Teachers engage students in Skype learning opportunities with Germany and Spain.
- Fitness model approach to physical education and health
- Partnership with Junior Achievement
- Fully accredited

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

- Annual Parent Orientation and Tour – September
- PTA
 - PTA *Gazette* newsletter or E-Newsletter
 - PTA Teacher Advisory Breakfast
 - School Plan Advisory Committee
- Volunteers: Courtyard, Library and school activities
- Principal Chats
- Educational workshops
- Club sponsor/guest lecturers
- Grade level parent liaison
- Parent Network series
- Career Day and other special event days
- Lunch with Your Child
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Minority Achievement parent meetings
- Grade-level celebrations and instructional events
- Parent Welcome Desk
- Speakers' Bureau