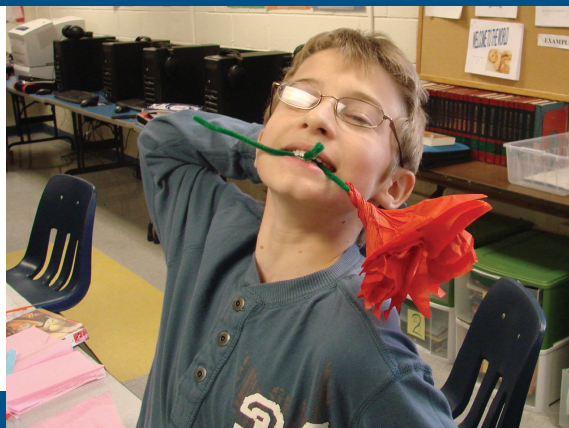
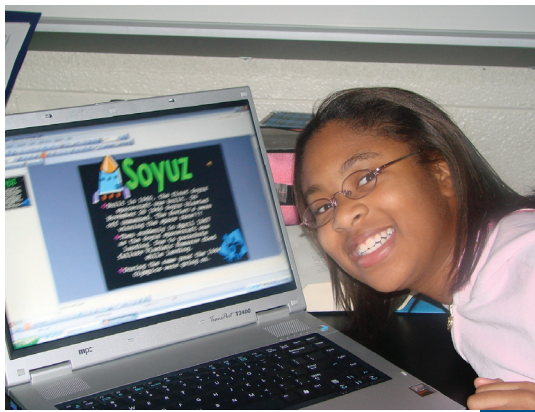


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Focus on personal and intellectual development.

Students taught to actively and responsibly participate in our changing world.

Emphasis is placed on building interdisciplinary connections, in preparation for success in a global society.



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Approaches to Learning (ATL)

Through ATL, students develop the tools to take responsibility for their own learning, thereby developing an awareness of how they learn best, of thought processes, and of learning strategies.

Community & Service

This component encourages students to connect their learning to the communities in which they live, thereby encouraging responsible citizenship.

Human Ingenuity

Students explore the processes and products of human creativity, thus learning to appreciate and develop the human capacity to influence, transform, enjoy and improve the quality of life.

Environments

This area encourages students to explore the place of human beings within a wide range of environments, including the natural, built and virtual environments.

Health & Social Education

This area deals with physical, social and emotional health and intelligence — key aspects of development leading to complete and healthy lives.

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The Program

The Middle Years Programme (MYP) is designed to teach students to become independent learners who can discover the relationships between school subjects and the world. The MYP emphasizes the study of traditional subject groups: English (Language A), French or Spanish (Language B), humanities, sciences, mathematics, arts, technology, and physical education, as seen through the unique curriculum framework provided by the five Areas of Interaction: approaches to learning, community & service, human ingenuity, environments, and health & social education. Emphasis is on written and oral communication, acquisition of a second language, thematic and interdisciplinary units of study, as well as an international perspective.



Applying for the Magnet

An application, available in each elementary and middle school as well as at the School Board Office, must be completed and submitted by the scheduled deadline each year. For students applying to the seventh or eighth grade Middle Years Programme for the 2012-2013 school year, the application requires an essay explaining why you are interested in the Middle Years Programme, listing extracurricular activities in which you participate (school and/or community), and naming any awards/honors you have received in school. The applications of eligible students will be grouped for random, lottery-style selection.

Eligibility

For the 2012-2013 school year, all current fifth graders zoned for Yorktown Middle School will be enrolled automatically in the Middle Years Programme in sixth grade. YMS sixth and seventh graders are encouraged to apply for acceptance into the Middle Years Programme.

Current fifth, sixth and seventh graders not zoned for Yorktown Middle School must submit an application in order to be eligible for the MYP lottery.

All current sixth and seventh graders must meet the following criteria prior to submitting a MYP application:

1. minimum grade of a "B" in the first semester or most recent semester of his/her English class and math class
2. a passing score (400 or above) on the English: Reading and on the math Standards of Learning assessments in the previous school year (or an equivalent achievement test from another state)
3. good attendance and good citizenship.