

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School

Humanities and Communication Magnet Program

for Grades 6 through 8



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Rockville, Maryland

Program, Students, and Staff

The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School Center offers a rigorous program of academic study to highly gifted students from the upper portion of Montgomery County. The program features an interdisciplinary approach in multiple subject areas.

◆ Humanities and Communication

The Humanities and Communication Center provides unique and challenging learning opportunities. Designed around a strong interdisciplinary humanities program, this center focuses on developing students' ability to use language and media effectively to present results of their academic inquiry within the Montgomery County Public Schools Program of Studies.

Students will have hands-on opportunities to work as members of production teams in King's media studios. Working with a process-oriented, product-based curriculum, students will gain skills as performers, camera operators, producers, directors, audio engineers, editors, and graphic artists. In addition to television, students also work with other media such as print, radio, video, and digital multimedia.

The World Studies curriculum provides the framework for the humanities center program. Students will make cross-cultural connections by analyzing forces that lead to cultural change and continuity. Students will develop an understanding of historical events that will later lead to problem-solving tasks with real-world issues.

The program also offers students intensive courses in writing and opportunities for their finest writing products to be published and broadcast. Students use computers to draft, edit, and polish their work to publication quality. They incorporate their writing skills with those learned in other classes to create such works as position papers, plays, and print media.

◆ Faculty

Teachers in the Program have been selected for their strong academic backgrounds, outstanding teaching skills, and interest and commitment to working with highly able students.

◆ Admissions

Admission to the Program is very competitive. Criteria used to evaluate candidates include written statements from candidates, previous grades, course work, and test scores. Students will complete a series of tests in November.

Students from the following high school clusters will be surfaced for the Humanities Program at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School:

- Clarksburg
- Damascus
- Gaithersburg
- Magruder
- Northwest
- Poolesville
- Quince Orchard
- Seneca Valley
- Watkins Mill

◆ Transportation

Transportation is provided to and from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School from central locations. Activity buses are provided Monday through Thursday.

◆ Directions to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School

- From 270, North: Exit onto Father Hurley Boulevard. Turn right onto Wisteria Drive. Follow to school on right.
- From 270, South: Exit 15B. Turn right onto Wisteria Drive. The school is on the right.

◆ Further Information

A parent meeting is held in the fall at a central location. For more information on meeting timelines, the admissions process, and testing, please visit:

- www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms or
- www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/mlkms

Anyone requiring more information about the Humanities Program at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School is encouraged to contact

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