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PRINCIPAL

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QUICK FACTS

2018-19

- Enrollment: 771
- Grades: 6 (248), 7 (256), and 8 (267)
- Average Class Size: 18.8 students
- Race/Ethnicity:
 - 6% African American
 - 7% Asian
 - 15% Hispanic
 - 6% Multiracial
 - 65% White
- Free or Reduced-price Meals: 6%
- Limited English Proficient: <5%
- Special Education: 10.2%
- Two Grade-level Administrators
- Three Counselors
- 58 Professional Staff
- 30 Support Professionals

STRUCTURE

- 8:15 am– 3:00 pm
- Seven 45-minute classes per day
- STAR (Students and Teachers Achieving Results) advisory period daily for 28 minutes
- After school activities until 4:30 on Tues, Wed and Th

WESTLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

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AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)
WORLD SCHOOL

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<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/westlandms/>

CORE VALUES: Academic Excellence Growth Equity
Kindness Engagement Global-Mindedness

SCHOOL FEATURES

- **Middle Years Programme** for ALL students
- **Spanish immersion program** for students who began immersion study in K
- **Autism Resource Services** for grade 6 and 7
- **High school course offerings** in math (Algebra and Honors Geometry) and World Languages (Spanish and French)
- **Special Education** with mix of inclusion and self-contained classes
- **English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)**



Risk-taking at Outdoor Ed



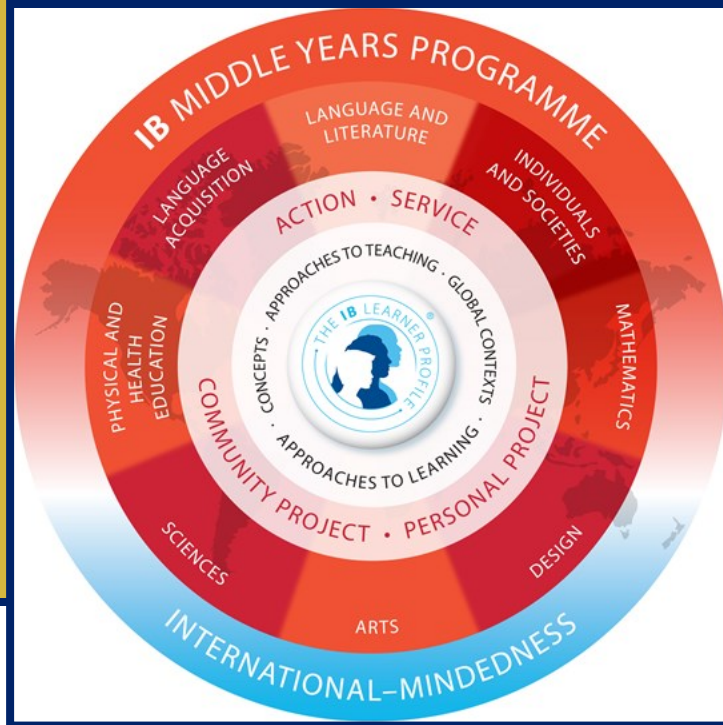
Open-mindedness with Peers

DISTINCTIONS

- “Common Sense School” Designation
- Green School Certification– 3 Times!
- Greenblatt Excellence in Teaching– Finalist: Katz
- Greenblatt Excellence in Teaching– Nominee: Stewart
- International Baccalaureate Teacher Leaders: Fuentes, Johns & Johnson
- MD Music Teacher of the Year: Guerra
- National Board Certified Teachers: Adler and Johnson
- Special Education Excellence in Teaching: Bazyluk, Bufkin, Kauffman, Kneisley, Markenson, Peacock, Ritter, Sturla, Swailes
- Support Professional of the Year– Nominee: Biggs
- Walker Library Program Principal Leadership Award: Serino

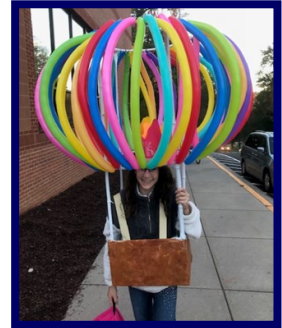
WHAT'S UNIQUE

- Summer MYP Study on topics including water scarcity ([A Long Walk to Water](#)), global access to education ([I am Malala](#)) and inclusion/acceptance ([Wonder](#))
- Community-building circles—creating/enhancing connections
- Restorative Practices—repairing the harm
- Student Teaching Interns from American University
- Enhanced After School Offerings through Enrichment Academies
- Electronic portfolio beginning in 6th grade



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

- Athletics: Cross-Country, Softball, Basketball and Soccer
- Drama
- Green Team
- Intramural Sports: i.e. Basketball, Flag Football, Soccer, Volleyball
- Jazz Band
- Newspaper
- Service Club
- Show Choir
- Student Government
- Westland Scholars



Creative Thinkers



SPECIAL EVENTS

- Walk for Water
- Spirit/Awareness Days
- Hunger Banquet
- Cybercivility Speakers
- 8th Grade Exit Interviews
- Basketball Jamboree
- KID Museum Visits
- Hats2Help Fundraisers
- Book Wars Competition
- Multicultural Night
- Colorsplash 5K
- Family reading Night
- Study Skills Night
- Robotics Competition

