

Each of our middle school academies offers a specialized learning focus for students, providing a glimpse into exciting degrees and career fields. Students receive free meals and have access to extended learning hours at all sites.

Bellevue

STEM/Robotics: Students will have the opportunity to participate in STEM and robotics through handson activities and on-site learning experiences. Students will also "travel" to Challenge Island for an action-packed adventure in STEM, where engineering meets imagination!

Colonial

Arts & Athletics: Students will participate in activities, including arts & crafts, playing the piano, dancing, music, singing, sewing/fashion design, sports, field trips and more!

Cordova

Sports Management: This program offers a hands-on opportunity to learn more about the many careers available in the field of sports management. Students will participate in a variety of learning experiences, including sport event planning, golf course management, sports communication, facilities planning and maintenance, nutrition for athletes, fiscal management, Olympic training, prosthetics and orthotics, post-injury care, physical therapy and more!

Grandview Heights

Computer Science/Art Fusion: This program offers students the opportunity to engage in meaningful STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) activities. Students will be able to build robots, create their own logos, conduct experiments involving inertia, create musical pieces and participate in physical fitness activities to build endurance using math and science. We also offer artsinfused classes, where students will learn how to create original dance moves via hip-hop.

John P. Freeman

Agriculture STEM: Agriculture S.T.E.M. Discovery is a summer program designed to help middle school students explore the many fascinating career paths available in the agricultural sciences field. Students will expand their problem-solving skills, engage in science and engineering practices and deepen their knowledge of scientific tools and techniques that are important to plant and animal health, food safety and production, plant and animal science, wildlife management, agri-business and much more! This five-week program allows students to learn about agriculture from university professors, scientists and administrative professionals who work for all levels of government in a variety of fields. They will gain experience through hands-on labs, workshops and field trips. Students will also "travel" to Challenge Island for an action-packed adventure in STEM, where engineering meets imagination!

Lowrance

Forensics/CSI: Students will be introduced to the science of solving crimes in this groundbreaking forensic summer institute! Students will learn about cutting-edge forensic science practices and procedures, such as crime scene analysis, fingerprinting, foot impressions, lip print activities, counterfeiting and setting up a mock crime scene. Join our Crime Scene Investigator team, and bring your case from crime to court! Students will also learn about the various careers in forensic science, as well as scholarship and intern opportunities.

Oakhaven

Arts and Activism: Art is a natural way for students to express their feelings and ideas. Looking at, thinking about and making art together helps students build community and see themselves as important parts of their world. This program capitalizes on students' natural relationship to art by prompting them to examine the ways art relates to community leadership and activism. Students will participate in a wide variety of activities, including:

- Engaging in rigorous enrichment activities in ELA and Math
- Getting an introduction to the concepts of art and community activism
- Developing an understanding of the local community and considering what attributes make someone a community leader or activist
- Exploring how artists can advocate for equal rights for people with physical disabilities using universal design
- Analyzing portraits of well-known Americans and considering the role of portraiture in fighting racial stereotypes
- Analyzing how artists of color have fought racial stereotypes through their work
- Working collaboratively to select a message or theme and design a communal activism mural