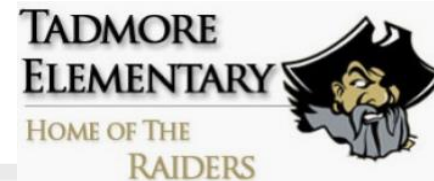


Elementary and Middle Magnet Schools / Programs of Choice Parent Information: For Fall 2019 Enrollment



Spring, 2019

Elementary Community Schools

- Community Schools serve students from the neighborhoods in their attendance zone. This process opens on Feb. 1 with a deadline of March 29. Our community schools offer a variety of programs, developed by the teachers and leaders of each school, to meet the needs of their students and respond to students' interests.
- If families are interested in their children attending a Community School to which they are not zoned, they may apply for a transfer using the procedures outlined in HB 251 in February and March. Details: <https://www.hallco.org/web/public-school-choice-information-house-bill-251/>

- **Chicopee Woods Elementary**
- **Flowery Branch Elementary**
- **Friendship Elementary** (ASP Program)
- **Lanier Elementary**
- **Lula Elementary** (DOG Academy)
- **Lyman Hall Elementary**
- **Myers Elementary**
- **Oakwood Elementary**
- **Riverbend Elementary** (ASA Program)
- **White Sulphur Elementary** (Dual Language Immersion Path)

Elementary Programs of Choice

- Students are selected to participate in Programs of Choice through a competitive application process during which they are evaluated for the match between their strengths and interests and the program goals, specialized content, and instructional approaches. Our Programs of Choice are described at this link:
<https://www.hallco.org/web/programs-of-choice/>
- Parents of selected students who live outside a school's attendance zone must provide transportation. For applications and information about the selection process, please see the school's web page.
- Elementary Programs of Choice include:
 - **Advanced Scholars Academy at Riverbend Elementary School -**
<https://res.hallco.org/web/>
 - **Advanced Scholars Program at Friendship Elementary School -**
<https://fes.hallco.org/web/asp-program-information/>
 - **Discovering our Gifts Academy at Lula Elementary School -**
<https://lula.hallco.org/web/>
 - **Dual Language Spanish Immersion Path at White Sulphur Elementary School -**
<https://wses.hallco.org/web/>

Elementary and Middle Magnet Schools

- Like Charter Schools, Magnet School concepts were developed through a thoughtful, comprehensive planning process during which parents, teachers and administrators “dreamed a school.” After reaching consensus on innovative or unique educational options for *all* students, these schools gained approval from the Hall County Board of Education to use a focused, school-wide approach for increased engagement and achievement.

Elementary Magnet Schools:

Middle Magnet Schools:

- Chestatee Academy
- World Language Middle

- Chestnut Mountain Creative School of Inquiry
- Martin Technology Academy of Math and Science
- McEver Arts Academy
- Mt. Vernon Exploratory School
- Sardis School of Enrichment
- Spout Springs School of Enrichment
- Sugar Hill Elementary: Talent Development and Career Readiness
- Tadmor Elementary: A Communication Magnet School
- Wauka Mountain Multiple Intelligences Academy
- World Language Academy

How do I apply to Chestatee Academy? Please visit our website at www.chestateeacademy.com or pick up a magnet application at the school.



We have a longstanding **commitment** to **gifted** education at Chestatee. We use that **experience** and **expertise** to extend the same sort of **enrichment** to ALL students through our **SOAR academies**.

Through our SOAR academies all students can earn **Pathway Certificates** in

- STEM
- Arts and Culture
- Health and Wellness

We serve 6th, 7th and 8th graders



We are Chestatee

Learn, Lead, Family!



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Gainesville, Georgia
770-297-6270

Jennifer Kogod, Principal



Visit us at chestateeacademy.com or scan to learn more.



WORLD LANGUAGE ACADEMY

"Respect yourself. Respect and serve others."

At WLA, our mission is to empower and inspire future globally-minded citizens that create lasting solutions. We provide an innovative, dual-language immersion environment, as we strive to develop world changing individuals that respect and serve others.



- *K-5 Dual Language Immersion Elementary School**
- *Academic content taught in Spanish and English**
- *Students learn to listen, speak, read, and writing in both languages**
- *Rigorous coursework and inquiry-based learning**

- *Portuguese taught as a Foreign Language**
- *Develop appreciation for all cultures to be successful in an international community**

More information at: <https://wla.hallco.org/web/>



CHESTNUT MOUNTAIN

Creative School of Inquiry

QUESTION ♦ RESEARCH ♦ DISCOVER ♦ CREATE

Home of the *Warriors*



CREATING:

- Authentic Projects based on formats of choice

SUPPORTING:

- Teachers as facilitators of learning

INQUIRING:

- Developing questions based on student interest

<http://cmcsi.hallco.org/web/>



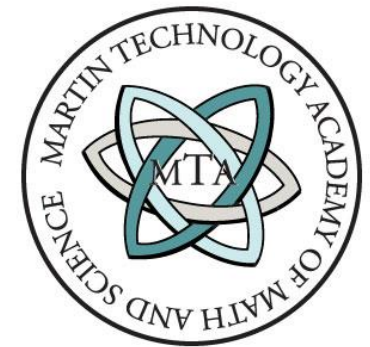
Martin Technology Academy of Math & Science

A Georgia STEM Certified School

Martin Technology Academy is dedicated to creating an environment where ALL students are engaged in learning through relevant real world experiences. Students build a strong foundation of integrated science, technology, engineering and math skills that are applied to problem solving.

MTA offers a different educational experience for your child by...

- Purposefully using technology
- Creating cooperative problem solvers
- Engaging all students in math and science problem solving classes (TNT)
- Providing a STEM Integrated Curriculum



mta.hallco.org



Arts Integration Model...

utilizes the art of dance, drama, music, movement, visual arts, and technology to teach the Common Core Curriculum!

The McEver Arts Mission is: **CREATE** **Connect**

<http://mcever.hallco.org/web/>

Reflect

Explore

Apply

Think

Experience

McEver Arts Academy offers Pre-K as well as Bilingual immersion from Pre-K through 5th grade.



Project-Based Learning & Technology

Preparing our students for their future and ours by providing educational experiences focused on the 5 Cs of Project-Based Learning (character, collaboration, communication, creativity and critical thinking) that:

- Instill the desire to learn
- Allow students to feel the ownership of their own learning
- Provide the support students need to feel pride of meeting high expectations and in a job well done
- Create projects that make a difference in others' worlds
- Arrange communication with those around them and around the globe
- Allow students to explore their own interests
- Expand students' horizons by teaching academic and technological skills that will take them well beyond the elementary years



<http://mves.hallco.org/web/>

Sardis Enrichment School

A Rising Tide Lifts All Ships



Schoolwide Enrichment Model

provides enriched learning experiences and higher learning standards through...

1. Developing gifts and talents in all learners
2. Providing a broad range of advanced-level enrichment experiences
3. Facilitating general exploratory activities based on interest

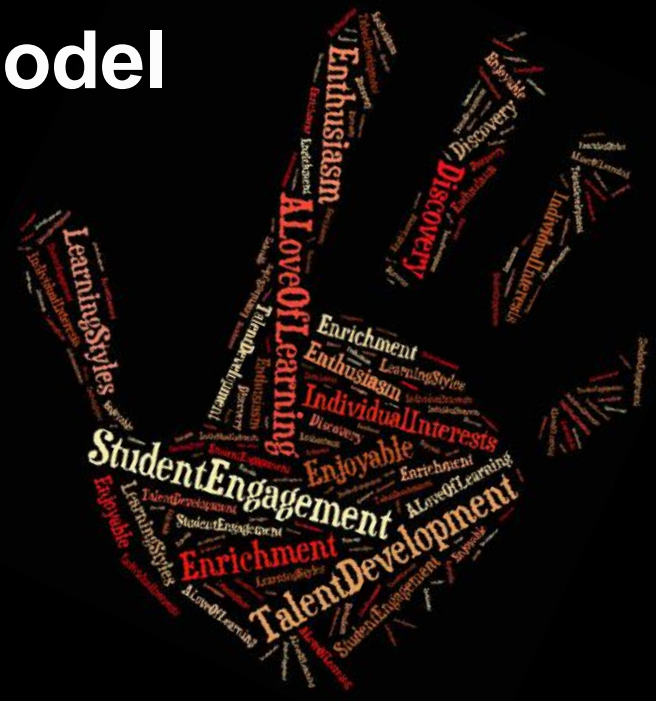


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Schoolwide Enrichment Model

- Identifies and develops student interests
- Focuses on higher levels of engagement and talent development
- Focuses on bringing meaning and relevance to the learning
- Serves to enhance the teaching of the Georgia Standards of Excellence and focuses on teaching for enrichment



[Link to School Website](#)



Academy of Talent and Career Awareness (TAC)

- School-Wide Enrichment Model
- Allows students to begin thinking about talents, interests, and associated career pathways
- All students will have the opportunity to explore three questions:
 - *What am I good at?*
 - *What am I interested in?*
 - *How can I use my interests and talents to choose a job for my future?*
- Parallel Curriculum based on the research of Renzulli and Reis
- 3 levels of implementation: Exposure, Cluster Groups, Service Learning
- Sample Cluster Group Choices: Computer Coding, STEM kids, Art Studio



TADMORE ELEMENTARY

A COMMUNICATION MAGNET SCHOOL

Tadmore Elementary Communication Magnet is a school-wide program where students explore communication as a part of daily instruction in all content areas. We believe that students require a structured and supportive environment in which they are encouraged and challenged to listen for understanding, speak with clarity and engage in purposeful 'accountable talk' to explore a variety of topics.

Teachers support speaking and listening skills by providing students with core academic content and related vocabulary, asking open-ended questions, engaging students in conversational, procedural, and other specific types of talk, and providing opportunities for students to speak and listen to each other. Communication through written word, art, music, movement, and digital formats is a component of daily instruction.

**PUBLIC
SPEAKING**

**NUMBER
TALKS**

**GUIDED
CONVERSATIONS**

**INTENTIONAL &
INDIVIDUALIZED
VOCABULARY
INSTRUCTION**

“Our task is to help children communicate with the world using all their potential, strengths, and languages, and to overcome any obstacle presented by our culture.”
Loris Malaguzzi

<http://tes.hallco.org/web/>



Based on Howard Gardener's Theory of Multiple Intelligences, Wauka Mountain offers unique choice classes, in addition to a rigorous standards, based curriculum, that allow children to explore and develop each of their eight intelligences.

Choice classes include:

Spanish & Chinese

Violin, Flute, Piano, Guitar, and Choral Performance

**Dance, Baton, Cheerleading, Flag Corp, Stepping
Archery, Golf, Fitness, Soccer, Kickball, and Tennis**

Peer Leadership, Community Services

Writer's Lab, Math Lab, Literacy Lab, Sewing Lab

Sculpture, Pottery, Art

Equestrian Studies, Science Lab, LEGO Robotics, Astronomy

Horticulture, Environmental Studies, International Studies

Advanced Technology, Online Gaming, Geo-caching, High Tech Literacy

Culinary Arts

and more



<http://wmmia.hallco.org/web/>

Elementary School Programs of Choice

Programs of Choice are designed to match students with clearly defined strengths, interests, abilities and goals with specialized programming options that focus on those traits. Interested students submit applications to programs of choice.

- **The Advanced Scholars Academy (ASA) at Riverbend Elementary School** *(open for applications from any of our Hall County students)*
- **Friendship Elementary: Advanced Scholars Program (ASP)** *(open for applications from any of our Hall County students)*
- **Lula Elementary: Discovering Our Gifts Academy (DOG)** *(available to students who attend Lula Elementary)*
- **White Sulphur Elementary: Dual Language Spanish Immersion Path** *(available to K-2 Hall County Students and Grades 3-5 WSES students)*



RIVERBEND ELEMENTARY

Home of the Advanced Scholars Academy

- **The Advanced Scholars Academy (ASA) at Riverbend Elementary** is an innovative program of choice, appropriate for self-motivated, passionate students who are ready for rigorous, personalized learning experiences. ASA provides instruction that challenges advanced students.
- ASA teachers design customized schedules and instruction to meet the unique needs of each student, including flexible part-time enrollment for a limited number of home-schooled students. Character development is practiced daily, and all students take part in community service.
- Application Deadlines:
Early Admission Deadline: February 28, 2019
Regular Admission Deadline: March 15, 2019

For additional information: <https://res.hallco.org/web/asa-program/> or 770-534-4141

Contact ASA Coordinator Heather York at Heather.York@hallco.org



Advanced Scholars' Program

- *ASP Parent Meeting: **January 28 at 6:30 PM** in the FES Learning Commons.*
- *ASP Kindergarten Screenings on **March 19 - 21** in the FES Conference room.*

The Advanced Scholars' Program at Friendship Elementary is open for applications. More information is available on the Friendship Elementary website at the following link:

<https://fes.hallco.org/web/asp-program-information/>

Application Deadline: March 15, 2019

Applications may be accepted after the deadline if space remains.

Discovering Our Gifts Academy

Lula Elementary: Discovering Our Gifts (DOG) Academy empowers students to become self-directed learners in a blended learning experience where technology is an integral part of lessons, assessments, projects, and assignments.

Instead of a traditional timeline for units and assessments, students will learn, transfer and apply their understanding at their own pace with flexible opportunities for acceleration and remediation. Using laptops, tablets, and technology learning stations students will make interdisciplinary connections through inquiry-based learning opportunities

This intentional focus on providing individualized instruction through technology allows the students to discover their individual learning potential.

(Available to students attending Lula Elementary)



Spanish Dual Language Path



- ▶ Program of Choice in Kindergarten & Grades 1-3
 - ▶ Students will receive 50% of instruction in English; 50% in Spanish
 - ▶ English and Spanish-speaking students learn together
 - ▶ Academic subjects are taught in Spanish and English
 - ▶ Enrollment open to Hall County District students, as space allows
- ▶ Visit www.wses.hallco.org for more information



How Do I Apply to an elementary magnet school or program of choice? Please start by registering your kindergartener or child at your zoned elementary school.

- **Please register your child at his/her zoned elementary school. See for more information, including what is necessary for parents to bring to registration.** Enrolling kindergarteners should accompany parents for pre-registration.
 - Student Registration Information: <https://www.hallco.org/web/student-registration/>
 - **Kindergarten registration** will be held at each of the Hall County School District elementary schools on:
 - **March 19 - 21, 2019**
- In order to be enrolled, children entering kindergarten must be five (5) years of age on or before September 1, 2019.
- Kindergarten Registration Information: [Click here](#)

How do I apply to an Elementary Program of Choice?

- ❑ Please go to the elementary school's website for specific program of choice application procedures.
- ❑ Each program of choice has its own application and timeline.
- ❑ Visit <https://www.hallco.org/web/programs-of-choice/> to find links to school websites.

How do I apply to an Elementary Magnet School?

- For all Elementary Magnet Schools, applications are due by **March 15, 2019**.
- **Please go to the magnet school's website for specific magnet school application procedures.**
- Rising kindergarteners must first be registered at their zoned elementary school.
- Letters will be mailed by March 29.
- Please respond by April 10.



What happens next?

- **If accepted, you either accept or decline the magnet invitation.**
- Your new magnet school will request registration records from your child's zoned elementary school.
- For magnet schools, if you are not accepted, you may still apply for a transfer via HB 251.

Questions?

Go to school websites for contact information!

