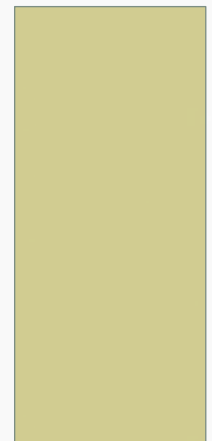


HAVERFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL

SEMINAR CLASS



MISSION

- **To enrich gifted learners in an advanced center for scholarship that fosters deep and varied intellectual creations**
- **To develop introspective and global learning**
- **To support and challenge student-centered learning**
- **To provide a safe and nurturing learning environment**

CLASS STRUCTURE

- **Dr. Jason Finn, Seminar teacher**
- **Students must have a GIEP to participate**
- **Classes meet with grade level peers**
- **Classes meet for the entire school year**
- **Classes meet 5 days over the course of a full two week period***
- **Students will be pulled from a quarter class**
- **Seminar is a graded class**
- **Quarter classes are exploratory and grading will be: A/pass/fail**

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- **Overarching theme**
 - Menagerie of Human Possibilities
- **Grade level themes**
 - 6th grade – Above and Beyond
 - 7th grade – The Power and the Passion
 - 8th grade – The Sound and the Fury
- **Focus areas critical thinking, analytic reasoning and problem solving, and communication**
- **Annual student goals and objectives are written to ensure that students have command over their own learning**

ABOVE AND BEYOND

- **Integrated Humanities and Sciences**
- **Project-based on student's interests**
- **Deep and varied intellectual creations**
- **Deliberate use of applied technology**
- **Planned activities**
- **Feedback provided**

STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

- How worthwhile was the course material?
- Were you satisfied with the course content and structure?
- What were the most interesting pieces of Seminar in terms of the content and projects?
- What can a student expect from Dr. Finn?
- How was Seminar different this year than previous years?