

serving bright students with dyslexia and other learning differences

Summit is a school where DIFFERENCE can mean EXCEPTIONAL, where essential learning outcomes are identified and measured.

The Summit School is the only school in Anne Arundel County exclusively serving students with dyslexia and other learning differences. Our school is widely recognized for academic excellence and researchedbased methodologies. Literacy is infused throughout the program and students receive explicit instruction in every subject. Summit's reputation and successes draw students from surrounding counties, some of whom travel up to two hours to attend Summit.

The Summit Difference

Highly-trained teachers maximize students' strengths and support areas of weakness. When a student comes to us, we meet them where they are and bring them up to where they need to be. Students receive individualized instruction in language arts, math, science, and social studies. Instruction is not only rigorous, it is relevant. Instructional highlights include:

- Research-based methodologies
- Activity-based multisensory learning
- WordSense™
- Read Naturally Live
- EmPOWER™ writing program
- Social Thinking™
- STEM infused curriculum
- Standards-based math
- Math fluency apps

Measurable Outcomes = Life Changing Impacts

Continuous progress monitoring supports student growth and success. Summit employs Benchmark Testing three times per year to evaluate students, in math and reading, against specific grade-level standards and learning goals. The results give teachers actionable data and prescribes a course of action.

Since our founding, 98% of Summit students have graduated high school. This is above the national average for all students (84%), and well above average for students who have been classified with a specific learning disability (71%).

"When I came to Summit, I thought I was stupid. Now, I know that I am smart and I learn differently. Summit gave me the tools and confidence to succeed."

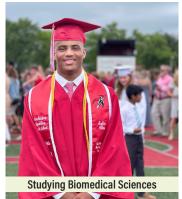
Summit empowers students and prepares them for success in high school and beyond. Our alumni students attribute much of their success to the foundation they received at The Summit School.















VISION FOR SUMMIT'S FUTURE

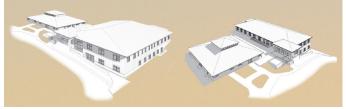
Serve More Bright Students Who Learn Differently



Expanding Access to Our School

The Summit School serves only a small fraction of students who could benefit from research-based, explicit instruction tailored to meet the needs of bright students who learn differently.

In the next ten years, the Maryland Census projections indicate an increase in the number of school-aged children in the nine counties served by Summit. Subsequently, there will be many more talented young minds who need the evidence-based tools and teaching methodologies that Summit provides.



Summit's campus currently does not have the classroom space to accommodate our admissions waitlist, let alone a growing community. Our planned capital project will allow the school to provide access to more children whose current educational environment is unable to meet their unique learning needs. For many, intervention could be life-changing.

Access for more students who would benefit from our life-changing academic program and services.



Expanding Access to Our Services

Capital improvements will also facilitate Summit's ability to provide more services to the community through Summer Programs and The Summit Resource Center for testing and tutoring. These services benefit students who are *not* enrolled in our school program.



Each July, Summit holds an academic enrichment camp that builds skills and minimizes summer learning loss for students in grades 1-8. In addition, specialty camps provide small group writing programs and organizational strategies for students in grades 6-9.



The Summit Resource Center offers diagnostic testing services. Our comprehensive evaluations measure cognitive learning patterns, academic achievement, executive function, memory functions, speech and language concerns and more.



The Summit Resource center offers individual tutoring for students in grades 1-12 who need remediation in the following academic areas: reading/spelling, written expression, mathematics, study skills, homework, and time management and organizational skills.

