



## W. A. Perry Middle School S.T.E.A.M. and BLAST

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## **Greetings From Our Principal:**

Greetings,

The W. A. Perry Middle School Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) program with a Medical Magnet is vital to the success of our deserving students as it positions them to be globally competitive and academically proficient. Through our Medical Magnet Path- way, students are introduced to varied careers in health science. Overall, the three-year STEAM program for middle school students emphasizes science, technology, engineering, arts, and math skills that will help students understand the fundamental principles of these career fields while preparing them to be 21st century critical thinkers. The courses offered through the Medical Magnet Pathway are: Career Exploration I & II, Health Science Careers, Health Science Careers II, Medical Detectives, and Fitness & Nutrition. In addition to the Medical Magnet Pathway, we also offer pathways in Aero-space, Engineering, Technology, and the Arts. In addition, BLAST (Building Lasting Aerospace and STEM Trajectories) will expand aerospace opportunities aiming to increase diversity, improve academic achievement and encourage students to aspire to careers in aerospace and STEM-related fields. Furthermore, our students are encouraged to get involved in the variety of extracurricular activities that we offer, which are all outstanding and provide avenues for the wide ranging interests of all students. Our expansive school community, consisting of students, staff, parents and business partners are critical to the success of W.A Perry Middle School. I look forward to partner-

ing with students and families to continue the legacy of excellence that is, and will continue to be synonymous with W. A Perry Middle School.

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# About W. A. Perry Middle STEAM and BLAST:

#### Mission:

W. A. Perry Middle School inspires and develops responsible, competent, productive lifelong learners, implementing rigorous cross-curricula enhanced study of science, technology, engineering, arts, and math that promotes creative, critical, and analytical thinking in a safe and nurturing environment.

#### Vision:

W. A. Perry Middle School will integrate a Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) curriculum, aligned with state, national, international, and industry standards, while developing connections with postsecondary education and encouraging on-going community and industry engagement. In addition, BLAST (aerospace) will provide evidence-based learning experiences through expansion of aerospace education.

#### Goal:

W. A. Perry Middle School will:

- improve student achievement through the integration of the core curriculum.
- raise student and parent awareness of STEAM, BLAST (aerospace), and medical and STEM related careers while providing a specific focus on health science careers and aerospace.
- increase the number of students who are prepared for and take advanced academic science and math related courses in high school.
- ◆ successfully transition to C. A. Johnson Health Sciences Magnet High School or Columbia High National Defense Academy (preengineering, biomedical, cybersecurity and aerospace).

### **STEAM Partnerships:**

At. W. A. Perry Middle School, we have been successful in building relationship throughout the community. As a we move forward, we will maintain the current partnerships and form new relationships with churches, businesses, and organizations to assist us in achieving our goal of providing our students with the tools to be successful. Please contact us if you want to invest in our scholars. We are interested in partnering with grants, shadow programs, STEAM and BLAST initiatives and summer and after school programs.



#### **Current Partnerships**

- C. A. Johnson High School
- ♦ The Links Incorporated
- ♦ The Challenger Center
- Trinity Episcopal Cathedral
- ♦ DayBreak
- ♦ 100 Black Women
- ♦ Omega Psi Phi
- ♦ Sigma Pi Phi
- Palmetto Citizens
- ◆ C. A. Johnson Breakfast Club
- ♦ Task Force
- ◆ C. A. Johnson Alumni Association
- ◆ A Brighter Smile Family and Cosmetic Dentistry
- ♦ Smart Set
- Richland County Junior Achievement



