

CHOICE MATTERS! GCS Options for Gifted Students

There isn't one school that works best for ALL academically and/or intellectually gifted learners. The right educational fit for your child will depend on a variety of factors, such as their attitudes about learning, college/career aspirations, and the ability of the school to provide extracurricular activities that best align to your child's interest. GCS is fortunate to have a variety of choice programming that allow students to experience the NC state standards in unique ways. Families, in GCS, have the choice to remain at their districted school or to apply for one of the many choice options. For middle grades academically and/or intellectually gifted students, all choice schools AND neighborhood schools offer the same gifted programming.

AVAILABLE AT ALL MIDDLE SCHOOLS:

The service model for academically gifted students is in enrollment in advanced/accelerate courses that best meet the student's learning needs as defined by district placement criteria.

Students identified as intellectually gifted and, in rare cases, some academically gifted students are enrolled in the standard course and receive differentiation in the classroom.

Annually, ALL identified students receive an **Differentiated Education Plan (DEP)** that outlines the curriculum difference of standard and advanced/accelerated courses.



THE VS PROGRAM (4 - 8):

The district's only self-contained gifted program. The VS Program is a choice option for gifted students meeting the program's criteria. Students perform at the 97th% percentile or higher in aptitude, math, and reading. There are also Science and Social Studies performance requirements. Applications are accepted during the Choice Window. **You must have an application code to apply.**

BROWN SUMMIT (6 - 8):

This program offers the same service as all other middle schools. The program does not offer standard courses as students are expected to perform at the 70th percentile or above in both Math & Reading. Applications are accepted during the Choice Window.



STEM FOCUSED:

- Hairston Middle
- Welborn Academy of Science & Technology

SPANISH IMMERSION:

- Kiser Middle

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB):

- Hairston Middle
- Ferndale Middle



GLOBAL STUDIES:

- Academy at Lincoln
- Johnson Street (K - 8)

VIRTUAL:

- Guilford eLearning University Prep



ARTS:

- Penn-Griffin School for the Arts
- Academy at Lincoln Performing Arts

PREPARATORY:

- Allen Jay Preparatory Academy (5-8)

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