



# Hillview Middle School

## 6th Grade Honors

### Academy



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# Staff

## Introductions

Jordon Holmes - Principal  
Jill Stanford - VP  
Zachary Horowitz - VP  
Donnelle McMillan - Counselor  
Vanessa Alvarez - Counselor  
Kaylee Lewis Campos - Psychologist

Laura Johnson - ELA  
Ellen Grove - Social  
Studies  
Amber Jones - Math  
Sofia Muzaffar - Science

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# Mission Statement

Hillview Middle School 6th Grade Honors Academy will provide academic challenges with accelerated expectations.

Classroom activities and curriculum will have real world applications in a collaborative environment, enhanced by technology and hands-on activities.



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# Student Speeches

**Vyom Saharan**

**Jacob Nguyen**

**Sadie North**

**Micaela Haffner**

**Patricia Tawadros**



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# Honors Class Schedule

- Honors English
- Language Arts
- Honors Math
- Honors Social Studies
- Science / Science Lab
- Lunch
- Advisory
- Exploratory
- Physical Education





# Honors Social Studies

## Ancient History

- Cross curricular activities that align with Language Arts.
- Emphasis on peer collaboration.
- Project based learning.
- Focus on research skills.
- Increased use of classroom technology and personal devices for research purposes.



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# Honors Language Arts

Curriculum focus:

- Literary and informational reading strategies
- Creative and research-based writing strategies and conventions
- Public Speaking skills

Students will develop:

- Organizational tools
- Effective note taking and study skills
- Critical thinking techniques



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# Honors Math

Students will complete the 6th grade Common Core State Standards along with integration of 7th grade standards that will assist with grade level transition.

- Focus of 6th grade math
  - Ratios & Proportional Relationships
  - The Number System
  - Expressions & Equations
  - Geometry
  - Statistics & Probability



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## Science / Science Lab

- Observation and analysis of simulations, charts and graphs to find evidence and provide reasonings for the real world phenomenon
- Hands-on application of the scientific method by utilizing science equipment such as microscope, triple beam balance, and graduated cylinder
- College and career readiness by enhancing critical thinking and problem solving skills



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# Physical Education

Students will learn physical conditioning, rules, strategies, and fundamentals of various team sports including:

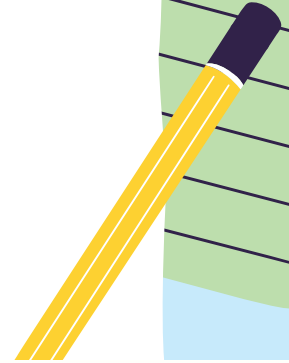
- Volleyball
- Softball
- Badminton
- Ping-pong
- Soccer
- Flag football
- Paddle ball
- Lacrosse





# Exploratory

- Computer Lab
- Robotics
- Beginning Band



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# Student Eligibility

1. All students applying for the academy **must** meet grade requirements which include:
  - a. If using letter grades, the equivalent of a 3.0 GPA or higher each semester during 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade with no D or F grades. and/or
  - b. Students on a Standards Based report card must have “2” or higher scores each semester during 4<sup>th</sup> grade, **AND** “2” or higher scores on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 1<sup>st</sup> semester and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter progress report. \*
2. Students **must** have a “3” or “4” score in College and Career Readiness on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report card. \*\*
3. Scores at or above 70<sup>th</sup> percentile on the NWEA 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Language Arts Assessment, **AND** scores at or above 70<sup>th</sup> percentile on the NWEA 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Math Assessment. Out of district students must show proficient levels on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade district assessments. \*\*\*
4. An **average** of 10 or fewer absences when looking at both 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade. \*\*\*

**Acceptance to this program involves a commitment from parents and students.**



- \* - *Students who meet grade requirements, but have multiple “2” scores, will be considered if space is still available after considering students who meet grade requirements and have “3” and “4” scores.*
- \*\* - *Students from out of district must have an A/B or equivalent score in citizenship (or similar category) on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade report cards.*
- \*\*\* - *Quarantine absence codes do not factor into this number. Students who don’t meet eligibility criteria #3 and/or #4 may still apply; however, they will only be considered if space is after acceptance of all students that meet all levels of eligibility.*



## Extra Curricular Activities

- Sports: Cross Country, Volleyball, Basketball, Track and Field, Soccer, and Cheer
- CJSF-California Junior Scholarship Federation
- E-Sports
- Mathletes
- ASB
- Coding Club
- Newspaper Club
- And more...



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# Application Process

- See the details posted on our website
  - Current Westside students must submit an online intra-district transfer request.
  - Students from other districts must also submit an online transfer request. If accepted, students out of district must also get a release from their home school district (if they are not currently attending a Westside school.)





# Student Selection

The 6th Grade academy will have at most, 99 seats available for students. A formula for the allotted seats per school will be applied. If applications from schools exceed their allotment, a lottery drawing will be used to select students.





# Due Dates

- Completed application packets must be emailed to Mr. Holmes by 3:30 P.M. on Friday, April 18th, 2025.
- Hard copies can also be dropped off at Hillview's office.
- Online transfers must also be completed by that date/time.
- There is no benefit in submitting the application early, but be sure it's in by April 18th.



**LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

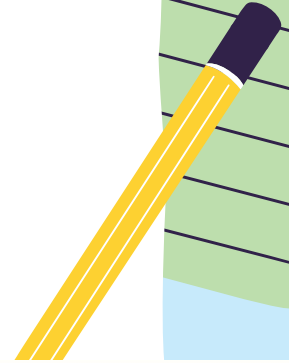
Acceptance notifications will likely  
be sent in late June.





# Transportation

- Transportation is the responsibility of the parent.
- There is no busing available for this program.



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## Contact Information

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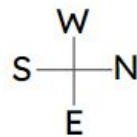
Jordon Holmes - Hillview M.S. Principal  
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jordon.holmes@westside.k12.ca.us

**Email is preferred.**

Please put “6th Grade Honors Academy” in the  
subject line.



Exit to:  
101-104 Functional Skills  
(go through the cafeteria  
to the south hallway)



Girls' LR

Boys' LR

Flight &  
Space

Aviation  
Club?

Band

Computers

Peer  
Leaders

Cheer

Sports

Science

PE

Home Ec

AVID

Math

Hillview Open House Map

Hillview Gymnasium

PTSA

ELA

ASB

6th Grade

Social  
Studies

MUN

Art

Woodshop

Entrance

Restrooms in this hallway