

Academic Programs – Overview from 2024–2025

Academic Programs impacts every student, from Pre-K through graduation, expanding opportunities, raising performance, and building future-ready leaders.

Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education (CTAE)

- Industry Certifications Earned:
 - Engineering – Global Impact Academy
 - Health Science – Westlake HS
 - Law & Public Safety – Cambridge HS
 - Marketing – Johns Creek HS & Westlake HS
- Participation Growth: Work-Based Learning up 12% → 1,663 students.
- New Programs for FY26:
 - Artificial Intelligence & Pharmacy – Innovation Academy
 - Sports Medicine – Centennial HS
 - Career Awareness – Birmingham Falls ES, Brookview ES, Dolvin ES
- Impact: 83% of CTAE programs are High Demand Pathways, earning schools extra CCRPI points for graduates.

Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC)

- Awards: LET Level Camp Awards at JCLC.
- Staffing Growth: 3 new instructors added.

Pre-K & Early Childhood

- Expansion: 5 new sites and 7 new classrooms.
- Teacher Development: Peer mentors, inclusion mentors, and monthly PLCs led by teacher leaders.
- Family Engagement:
 - Parent workshops in laundromat and libraries.
 - Monthly readiness sessions through P.R.E.P.
- Summer Transition: 3 Rising Kindergarten programs & 1 Rising Pre-K program funded by Bright from the Start.

Applied Learning & Fine Arts

- Summer Learning:
 - +539 teacher observations across all zones.
 - Unified timekeeping/payroll system implemented.
- Fine Arts Highlights:
 - 800+ student performances & exhibitions.
 - 99% graduation rate for Fine Arts Pathway completers.
 - Georgia Fine Arts Diploma Seal: 744 students (+59 from FY24).
 - Save the Music Grants: \$111K awarded; 11 schools benefited.
 - National Recognition: "Best Community for Music Education" – 26th year in a row.
 - Invited Performances: Creekside HS Band, Medlock Bridge ES, Johns Creek Band/Chorus, Cambridge HS, River Trail MS.
 - Visual Arts Excellence: Multiple AP portfolios with 100% pass rates; 24 Scholastic Art State Finalists & 2 National Awards.

Health & Physical Education

- Special Olympics:
 - 19 district events + 2 state-level events.
 - Over 3,000 athletes participated across sports (basketball, track, volleyball, soccer, bocce, etc.).
 - District-wide Riverwood HS event hosted 642 athletes + 1,000 students in adaptive celebrations.
- Middle School Sports: 330+ events in soccer, volleyball, basketball, tennis, track/field, gymnastics, and intramurals.

Accelerated & Extended Programming

- Gifted & Advanced Studies:
 - 365 gifted interns placed (+68, now in 16 schools).
 - GHP participation up to 925 students; 90 finalists/alternates.
- Teaching Museum & Archives:
 - Nearly 69,000 student engagements.
 - New MLE:STEAM Bus reached 5,728 students.
 - Curated 'Untying the Knot' exhibit & released 'Our School, Our Fight' documentary.
- AVID Success:
 - Creekside HS named AVID National Demonstration School (1st in GA).
 - 237 teachers AVID trained.
 - Seniors earned \$4.4M in scholarships; 47 first-generation college-bound.
- AP Growth: Increased participation and pass rates since 2022.
- International Programs: Westlake earned MYP authorization.
- Tutoring & Extended Learning: 49 High-Dosage Tutoring programs + 87 Extended Learning programs served 5,186 students.