Why Chapel Hill Middle School?

“Chapel Hill Middle teachers are caring and provide our children the knowledge to excel in their academics and become well-rounded students. ”

—Chapel Hill Parent

“The extraordinary school staff is always welcoming and easily accessible. CHMS team effort provides our kids the guidance they need to succeed through the many obstacles they face during their middle school years.”

—Chapel Hill Parent

Achievements

◊ CCRPI score above state and district for eight consecutive school years (2012-2019)
◊ Georgia Beating the Odds School (2012-2019)
◊ Georgia Lighthouse School to Watch (2004-2017)
◊ Ranked in the Top 15% of Middle Schools in Georgia

Inside the Classroom

Chapel Hill Middle School serves approximately 1235 student in grades six through eight with a professional staff of 80 educators. CHMS serves students from a wide array of backgrounds and cultures. The student body is comprised of 64% African American students, 14% Caucasian students, 13% Hispanic students, 6% Multi-ethnic students and 1% of students of Asian heritage. Over half of the CHMS student body qualifies for support from the Free and Reduced School Nutrition program. Eighteen percent of Chapel Hill students are served via the Gifted and Talented program while 12% of students receive services through the Program for Exceptional Children.

Academic excellence is at the forefront of our efforts. The commitment to high expectations for ALL learners has been maintained for over 45 years. The teaching staff at CHMS has demonstrated a commitment to advanced professional development through gifted certification, Microsoft Innovative Educator endorsement, and Google G Suite for Educators training. Chapel Hill Middle School is an Advanced Academic and Fine Arts Theme School. The advanced academic program develops students to their fullest potential through a highly individualized and differentiated curriculum.
Our Mission

The mission of CHMS is to develop the whole child—Academically, Physically, Socially, Emotionally and Creatively.

Our Vision

The vision of Chapel Hill Middle School is to become a Model Middle School.

Beyond the Classroom

Chapel Hill Middle School’s academic focus is extended beyond the classroom through several means. The 21st Century After School program operates at CHMS each afternoon, extending the learner’s school day until 6:00 pm. Qualifying students benefit from daily academic support, various clubs, hobbies and mentoring from adults. Additionally, the 21st Century summer program offers unique field trips and enrichment opportunities for ASP students.

Chapel Hill students are eligible to try out and participate in ten competitive athletic teams in grades six through eight. Three Cheerleading/Spirit squads are part of the CHMS Athletic program. Chapel Hill has a longstanding history of successful athletic teams. CHMS athletic programs help participants become student athletes through skill building, self discipline and teamwork.

Over two dozen clubs and activities are offered each year at CHMS. In combination, these activities afford the middle school learner opportunities for social interaction, exploration and connection to positive adult role models. Chapel Hill is dedicated to providing all students with enrichment opportunities beyond the classroom.

Our school motto is: “The Best Getting Better, Whatever It Takes!”

Principal: Catherine Westbrook
Student Enrollment: 1,142
Black 67%; White 12%; Hispanic 13%; Two or more races 6%; Asian 2%; American Indian less than 1%
Total Staff: 105
Certified Staff: 82
% of Certified Staff with Adv. Degrees: 67

Due to COVID-19, GMAS was not administered in 2020. Data below, including CCRPI and School Climate Ratings, are from 2019.

2019 CCRPI: 82
2019 GMAS Scores (% of students scoring at Developing, Proficient and Distinguished Learner levels)
6th Grade: ELA 87%; Math 92%
7th Grade: ELA 79%; Math 82%
8th Grade: ELA 89%; Math 84%; Science 77%; Social Studies 88%
School Climate Star Rating: 4 (out of 5)

Numbers for enrollment and staffing were current as of 10/20. Go to www.gadoe.org for additional information on CCRPI and GMAS.

https://chms.dcssga.org