# Be a part of the Scholars Academy Community of Learners



**Early Decision Application Deadline: April 5, 2013** Applications received after April 5 will be reviewed after close of school year.

An advanced curriculum course which includes a robust blend of academic, foreign language, fine arts, and physical education classes that meet and exceed the prescribed state-mandated curriculum is supported by a caring, knowledgeable staff. Students entering in middle school:

- engage in Pre-Advanced Placement work preparing students to excel in our rigorous high school program and laying the foundation which leads to earning college credit in AP or ACCEL classes and/or earning an associate's degree by high school graduation.
- begin taking high school foreign language in sixth grade, allowing them to earn six foreign language credits before graduation.
- begin taking high school science and opportunities for high school math in eighth grade, allowing for even higher advanced-level classes later in high school.

Advanced Placement offerings for 2013-14 include 16 options. *Pictured above are some of our 34 students recognized by the College Board as AP Scholars, Scholars with Honor, Scholars with Distinction, and National AP Scholars for excellent scores on tests in numerous academic areas.* 

A partnership with Thomas University allows highly motivated students to complete an Associate of Arts Degree while completing high school graduation requirements.

Scholars Academy has a 100% pass rate on the Georgia High School Graduation Test and a 100% graduation rate along with perfect scores on Georgia State Writing Tests each year. See our test data at http://sa.tcitys.org.



Scholars Academy is the area's only public grades 6-12 academy dedicated exclusively to college preparatory education.

Informational Meetings: Tuesday, March 5, 6:00 p.m. and

Thursday, March 7, 5:30 p.m. Bulldog Café

> For more information call: Dr. Dale Graham, Director 229-228-3397

> > Download application: http://sa.tcitys.org

### International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program Authorization Year of Candidacy



and band in fourth grade.

Students enrolling in theater as a class or in the extra-curricular program compete in One Act Play and produce a musical each year, giving students opportunities in acting, directing, scriptwriting, set building, and costuming.

The dance elective welcomes



Students have received awards in national essay contests and the Young Georgia Authors writing contest. Literary competition is another way students shine as effective communicators.

Preparation for advanced academic competition occurs in the city school system's elementary

#### Fine Arts: Creative Risk-takers

**Creative learning** fine arts electives like string orchestra, theater, dance, symphonic and marching band, and studio art are areas where our students thrive. Some of these are offered at our extended campus at the Thomasville Center for the Arts.

The Academy is home to the Rose City Strings Project, South Georgia's premiere student orchestra. Symphonic band, marching band, and chorus are award-winning musical programs for Academy students. City school system students may begin taking strings

beginners to experienced company dancers who receive direct instruction, practice, and participate in choreography.

Studio art students work in several media including pencil, watercolor, oil, wood block printing, and pottery. Art competitions and a charity-benefitting silent auction, "Art with a Purpose," are some of the culminating activities in the visual arts.

The Academy boasts nationally recognized Odyssey of the Mind teams, which are organized through the gifted education Creative Thinking class. Students collaborate on teams, independent of teacher intervention, on creative-problemsolving projects and in spontaneous events at competition.

## Inquiring Thinkers

#### Academic competitions

encourage students to become knowledgeable and open-minded communicators by extending their academic learning beyond the classroom.

Academy students have been particularly successful in science competitions including science fairs, Lego League, and Science Olympiad. Social science activities include competition in Mock Trial, Model United Nations, Model Senate programs, quiz bowl, and Georgia Junior Classical League Certamen tournaments. schools programs: Quiz Bowl and Super Science Saturday.

Beyond academic growth, Scholars Academy is committed to connecting caring students to the value of and venues for community service. Students annually reflect on their service by documenting hours, with many students exceeding the 20 hour-minimum requirement.





Baseball Basketball Cross Country Football Golf Soccer Softball Swimming Tennis Track & Field



Cheerleading Majorettes FFA HOSA FCA Builders Club FBLA Dance Line Rotary Interact Club Photography Club

**Full access** to the award-winning Bulldog athletic program and extra-curricular activities offered at MacIntyre Park Middle School and Thomasville High School is allowed for Scholars Academy students. Scholars Academy students are an integral part of all of the city school system's organizations which develop career, leadership, and life skills as a part of the students' list of ways to explore their interests and talents.

**Establish a foundation** in the Thomasville City School System where students in Pre-K through fifth grade begin their experience during the early years with age appropriate play areas, small class sizes, and enriched learning environments. Students attend the same school during these foundational years where there are fewer transitions and parents establish a lasting relationship with their child's administrators, teachers and staff. An emphasis is placed on best practices for all students in Pre-K through fifth grade while continuing to place a focus on our nation's need for our students to be proficient in science, technology, and math. Thomasville City School System is now registering students for its 4-year-old Pre-K indergarten Program. Contact Tracy House, Harper and Scott Elementary 225-2622 and Sherry Parke, Jerger Elementary 225-2625.