## Be a part of the Scholars Academy Community of Learners





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

**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 include 17 options. *Pictured above are some of our 52 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.

Middle school Scholars Academy earned a 100% pass rate in Reading and English Language Arts in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades, with over 55% scoring in the "Exceeds" range. Middle school Scholars Academy CRCT scores surpass Georgia pass-rates percentages in every grade and subject area by an average of 10%. End of Course Test pass rates for high school Scholars Academy students surpass Georgia pass rates by 31% in Analytic Geometry, 10% in Coordinate Algebra, 23% in Biology, 14% in Physical Science, and 22% in U.S. History. A pass rate of 100% was reported for 9th Grade Literature and American Literature. Scores in the "Exceeds" range were earned by over 60% of students in American Literature, Biology, Physical Science, U.S. History, and 9th Grade Literature. See our test data at http://sa.tcitys.org.

## For more information call: Dr. Dale Graham, Director (229-228-3397) Download application: http://sa.tcitys.org

Excellentia, Scientia, Officio et Dedicatione:

Excellence through Knowledge, Service, and Commitment.

## International Baccalaureate World School Middle Years Program

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 awardwinning musical programs for Academy students. City school system students may begin taking strings 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 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-problem-solving projects and in spontaneous events at competition.

## Academic competitions

encourage students to become knowledgeable and openminded 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.

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 schools programs:

Quiz Bowl and Super Science Saturday.



Community: **Caring Citizens** 

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.

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.



**Over 800** Scholars Academy faculty is comprised of years of over 40 teachers including specialists in all four academic areas. Most of the teachers hold a gifted teaching certification in addition to their particular field of certification. The average years of experience among our academic teachers is 26 years. In our elective areas, athletes, theatre directors, broadcast journalists, scientists, dancers, artists, writers, and musicians share their talents and expertise with our scholars.



Baseball **JROTC Drill Team** Basketball **Cross Country** Football Golf Soccer Softball Swimming Tennis Track & Field Archery

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

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