

Unique Program Features

Instructional Approach

- Teachers will incorporate the various differentiated instructional techniques that are associated with the unique learning styles of girls and boys.

Leadership Opportunities



- Students will be encouraged to apply to become a student leader in various BCMS clubs and activities as well as gain opportunities to apply leadership skills through various program activities.

Character Education

- Students will develop social and academic skills through daily instruction and various character building activities.

Paving the Roadway to Success

Uniform and Dress Code



ASAP Gender Academy is dedicated to cultivating excellence and maintaining a healthy, productive learning environment. Student dress should not only conform to standards of decency, safety, modesty, and cleanliness, but should also prepare students for the professional dress of their futures.

The uniform and dress code are designed to provide an optimum learning environment free of unnecessary distractions and aligned with the expectations of any pre-college preparatory program. Students are required to wear uniforms as a component of building school culture and fulfilling the expectation for readiness to learn. The BCMS ASAP Academy dress code will be in compliance with the school wide dress code policy with a few exceptions. Monday is a business casual uniform when students will be expected to wear their polo shirts and a khaki bottom of their choice. Wednesday is a dress uniform day when students are expected to wear the full dress uniform similar to the ones shown throughout this brochure.

Selection Process

Applications will be offered to all students who meet the program criteria. If students' applications are approved, students will be invited to finalize the steps of the process for enrollment. All fully completed applications must be submitted to Mrs. LaTiefa Hairston at Bear Creek Middle School by 4pm on Tuesday, May 25, 2021.

**A.S.A.P.
Gender Academy
at
Bear Creek Middle School**

**Advancing Scholars
Achieving Perfection**

**7th & 8th Grade
2021-2022**



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Mr. Filipe Jackson—Principal



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BCMS Beliefs

Bear Creek Middle School believes that . . .

- ◆ Learning is a shared responsibility among students, teachers, support staff, parents, and community members
- ◆ Support services and opportunities are provided to increase student achievement
- ◆ High expectations for every student are paramount for a successful educational experience
- ◆ Students should be recognized frequently for academic achievement and citizenship.

BCMS Vision Statement

Bear Creek Middle School is committed to empowering students to become life-long learners and independent thinkers by developing the skills required to become productive citizens.

BCMS Mission Statement

The Bear Creek Middle School community will provide a challenging and diversified curriculum in a safe, supportive environment meeting the individual needs of each student in an ever-changing global society.

The Research on Gender Based Classes

“Supporters don’t suggest that boys and girls learn subject matter differently. Rather, natural contrasts between boys and girls combined with social factors can lead to big differences in how they act in the classroom, “There are a lot of factors that go into learning that can either enhance it or get in the way.”

“There is a lot of evidence to suggest benefits for having single-sex education.”

—E. Mark Mahone
Director of Neuropsychology
Kennedy Krieger Institute, which specializes in child brain development and disorders.

When US presidential candidate Hillary Clinton was senator in 2001, she said the government was working toward making single-gender education “available as an option for all children, not just for children of parents wealthy enough to afford private schools.”

The best research on single-gender schooling was commissioned by the US government in 2005. The study, “Single-sex vs. Coeducational Schooling: A Systematic Review,” demonstrated “a single-sex school advantage by far” over coed schools.

The study found better results in math, science, English and social studies, but it also learned that advantages extended to social and emotional development of the children

<https://lifestyle.inquirer.net/232329/why-single-sex-schools-are-better-than-coeducational/#xzz5jD5JMjcB>

Additional Articles and Websites

<https://www.singlesexschools.org/>

<http://www.nea.org/tools/17061.htm>

https://www.educationworld.com/a_curr/curr215.shtml

<https://www.goodcall.com/news/single-gender-education-010826>

ASAP Gender Academy

Information

The ASAP Gender Academy at Bear Creek Middle School will offer the same high quality educational opportunities offered in co-educational classes. The classes will be designed to help develop well-rounded young ladies and gentlemen as well as to increase academic achievement among students who may typically be considered academically “at risk” . The academic program is aligned with Georgia Department of Education’s learning standards and will incorporate various strategies to assist its targeted population in their path to success.

- For enrolled and selected 7th and 8th grade girls & boys of Bear Creek Middle School
- Designed to maximize student achievement
- Teachers trained in effective use of gender-specific classroom strategies
- Effective instruction of all core content areas
- Academic intervention services for identified students
- Social and emotional services for identified students
- Strong emphasis on character development and the appropriate socialization skills applied throughout the core content areas
- Separate core academic classes for each gender and core instructional staff for the Academy