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## Supports for ELL and Students with Disabilities

Site Accessibility: Functionally Accessible
Special Education Services: This school will provide students with disabilities the supports and services indicated on their IEPs.
ELL Programs: ESL Transitional Bilingual Program: Spanish

## School Life

Total Students (grades 6-8): 357
Grades (2015-2016): 6-8
Uniform/Dress Code Enforced: Yes
Academic Portfolio Required: No
Community Service Required: No
Extended Day Program Offered: Yes; targeted instruction is offered; students are identified by various assessments
Summer Session Offered: Yes; New Grade 6 students are invited to Annual Prep Retreat(APR) in August as an orientation into middle school
Weekend Program Offered: Yes; Saturday Academy (ESL, ELA, Math, Tech, Student Interest Clubs), SPELL Academy, GPS Over-age Program, Enrichment, Sports

## School Performance

|  | What \% of Middle School Students... |  |  |  |  |  | How |
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|  | Passed <br> English <br> Class? | Passed <br> Math <br> Class? | Passed <br> Social <br> Studies <br> Class? | Passed <br> Science <br> Class? | Were <br> Proficient on <br> the State <br> English Test? | Were <br> Proficient on <br> the State <br> Math Test? | Are Students <br> With the <br> School? |
| This School's <br> Performance <br> in 2012-2013 | $98 \%$ | $95 \%$ | $98 \%$ | $100 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ | 7.6 |
| Average for <br> Similar Schools | $81 \%$ | $82 \%$ | $83 \%$ | $85 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $6 \%$ | 7.5 |

Quality Review Score: Proficient (2012-2013)

## About Our School

Students like our tech department, which contains two laboratories, wireless carts, and Smart Boards. Press Brief offers a supportive forum for students to present in front of the school. Our emphasis on public speaking allows students to gain confidence and self-esteem. Student-centered activities include student advisory boards and shared decision-making. Class trips include Cirque du Soleil, Broadway shows, pro sports, and more. Though our school sets high expectations, the small class sizes enable small group and individualized instruction to meet the needs of our students. Our principal has an open door policy, holds monthly luncheons with parents, and facilitates a parent hot topic series. Grade 6 students are invited to a MS orientation. We offer a GPS program for over-age students, Saturday Academy for ELL's, and Regents preparation. Our remedial and enrichment programs improve student achievement.

## Academic Opportunities

Regents Classes: Integrated Algebra
Enrichment Classes: School Wide Targeted Instruction, Achieve Now, Gateway to Promotional Success, READ Academy, Saturday Academy, Video Journalism, Spoken Word

## Extracurricular Activities and Clubs

Dance, Spoken Word, Pod-Casting, Technology, Visual Arts, Co-ed Intramurals, Mural Painting, Magazine Publishing, LEGO Robotics, Film Editing \& Production, Mural Painting, Chorus, Instrumental Music, Martial Arts
Special Programs: Press Brief, Advisory Sessions, P.R. Curriculum, Peer Mediation, Project Read, Student Government, MS Bridge Program, GPS HS Bridge Program, Public Relations Journal, Yearbook, Debate, Specialized HS Prep Program, Trips
CHAMPS Sports - Boys: Baseball, Basketball, Flag Football, Soccer, Softball
CHAMPS Sports - Girls: Basketball, Softball, Volleyball
CHAMPS Sports - Co-ed: Baseball, Flag Football, Soccer, Track \& Field

## Admissions Priorities and Programs

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- For X298L:

1. Priority to students and residents of District 7 who sign in at an event
2. Then to students and residents of District 7

- For X298M: Open to students and residents of District 7

| Program Name | Code | Program Focus | Admissions Method | $\begin{aligned} & 2014 \\ & \text { Seats } \end{aligned}$ | $2014$ <br> Applicants |
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| The Academy of Public Relations | X298L | Public Relations/Speaking and Technology | Limited Unscreened | 72 | 350 |
| Selection Criteria: Students who apply to this program will be randomly selected within the priority groups listed above. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Spanish Bilingual Program | X298M | English Language Learners (ELLs Spanish Language) | Screened: Language | 30 | 100 |
| Selection Criteria: Priority is given to the following students: <br> - English Language Learners (ELLs) <br> - Heritage Language Speakers of the target language <br> - Participants of Elementary level Dual Language and Transitional Bilingual Education programs in the target language |  |  |  |  |  |

