

Contact Information

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Subway: N/A

Bus: Q10, Q37, Q7, Q9

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

School Life

Total Students (grades 6-8): 1181

Grades (2015-2016): 6-8

Uniform/Dress Code Enforced: Yes; dress code includes black pants / black skirts (with tights), black shoes / sneakers, and academy shirts

Academic Portfolio Required: Yes; portfolios must show that students are meeting Common Core State Standards in writing, reading, and math

Community Service Required: Yes; all students must complete 15 hours of Community Service as part of the Social Studies curriculum

Extended Day Program Offered: Yes; intervention in ELA & Math on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Mid-Winter, and Spring Recess Academy

Summer Session Offered: Yes; academic intervention in ELA & Math, QCC Oasis Enrichment, English Language Learners Academy

Weekend Program Offered: Yes; Saturday Academy for ELA & Math Intervention, Project Prize Enrichment, Regents Preparatory

School Performance

	What % of Middle School Students...						How Satisfied Are Students With the School?
	Passed English Class?	Passed Math Class?	Passed Social Studies Class?	Passed Science Class?	Were Proficient on the State English Test?	Were Proficient on the State Math Test?	
This School's Performance in 2012-2013	81%	83%	83%	81%	14%	14%	7.1
Average for Similar Schools	86%	84%	84%	86%	15%	16%	7.4

Quality Review Score: Developing (2012-2013)

About Our School

J.H.S. 226, aptly named the Virgil I. Grissom Middle School, focuses on exploratory learning, which allows our students to "reach for the stars." The school is organized into four learning communities which allow us to better meet the needs of each student through cognitively demanding experiences aligned to the Common Core Learning Standards. The Discovery and Explorations Academy is a hub for 6th graders, which allows students opportunities to explore the Junior High School experience through academic rigor, discipline, creativity, and culture. The Humanities Academy for Performing Arts showcases the talent in our youngsters with quarterly displays in music, art, dance, poetry, and drama. Visionaries Academy for Science and Technology engages students in developing projects in web design, air and space exploration, PowerPoint, and DNA Splicing. The Renaissance Academy for Broadcast Journalism engages students in print and digital media. Students utilize elements of print and digital media to develop quarterly displays in a student newspaper, video broadcast, and student comic magazine, while continuing to engage students in academic rigor around the Common Core Learning Standards.

Academic Opportunities

Regents Classes: Earth Science, Integrated Algebra, Living Environment

Enrichment Classes: National Junior Honor Society, High School Preparatory Academy, Spanish Proficiency

Language Classes: Spanish

Extracurricular Activities and Clubs

Bollywood Dance, Student Government, Debate, Young Men's Leadership, Alvin Ailey Dance, Poetry, Photography, Drama, Band, HerStory, Art

Special Programs: Rush Philanthropic, Pencil Partnership with JPMorgan Chase, Oasis Summer Program, Distance Learning, Annual Washington Tour, In House College Fair, Dream SHSI, Career Day, Author Visits, MyLibrary, Partnership with Queensborough College

CHAMPS Sports – Boys: Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Dance, Double-Dutch

CHAMPS Sports – Girls: Basketball, Dance, Track & Field

Admissions Priorities and Programs

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1. Open to students residing in the zone

Program Name	Code	Program Focus	Admissions Method	2014 Seats	2014 Applicants
Virgil I. Grissom (J.H.S. 226)	Q226U	Humanities	Unscreened	319	218
Selection Criteria: Students who apply to this program will be randomly selected.					