



The Core Knowledge STEAM School of Choice

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MIDDLE SCHOOL PROFILE 2016-2017



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FACTS ABOUT BFA

DCSD Public Charter School
Grades Served: Preschool-8
K-8 Students: 895
Preschool Students: 85
Class Size: Kindergarten: 16
Class Size: Grades 1-8: 26
Year Established: 2011
School Hours: 8:15am-3:30pm
School Colors: Red, White and Blue
Mascot: Lightning Bolts
Traditional Calendar
Before and After School Enrichment
Summer Camp
Uniform Standard for all Students
Parent Governing Board

WHAT BFA OFFERS

- ▣ Core Knowledge Sequence.
- ▣ Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math
- ▣ Preschool
- ▣ Fully Staffed Special Education Department
- ▣ Multiple Technology Labs
- ▣ Gifted and Talented Enrichment
- ▣ Reading Support
- ▣ Character Education
 - 13 Virtues
 - Rachel's Challenge
- ▣ Positive/Uplifting School Climate
- ▣ Volunteer Opportunities
- ▣ Active PTO
- ▣ Community Events Committee
- ▣ DCSD Hot Lunch Program

BFA Mission

Our mission is to develop young adults with character like America's founding Renaissance man, Benjamin Franklin: well-read, scientifically curious and civically engaged.

BFA Vision

Our students will excel academically through a challenging, sequenced curriculum that emphasizes math, science and literacy. We will be a data driven institution, focusing on individual students. Our students, teachers, parents, staff and leaders will be held accountable for the success of our school. Finally, we recognize that an education is incomplete without fostering the arts, sports, nature and character.

What BFA Middle School Offers:

- ▣ Specials rotation that includes PE, Spanish, Life Skills and STEAM Lab
- ▣ Middle School Sports
 - Girls and Boys Soccer
 - Girls Volleyball
 - Girls and Boys Basketball
 - Cross Country
- ▣ Over 20 Electives choices each trimester including:
 - Drone Creation, iMovie, Science Apps, Musical Theatre, Team Sports, BFA News, Debate, Yearbook, Jewelry Making, Ceramics and many more!

What Makes the BFA Middle School Special

- ▣ National Junior Honor Society
- ▣ Student Council
- ▣ Academically Rigorous
- ▣ Honors Classes Offered for all Core Classes
- ▣ Individual Lockers
- ▣ No Block Scheduling
- ▣ Dedicated Middle School Wing and Commons Area
- ▣ COACH (Character, Organization, Academics, Community and Heart Projects). Each day students meet with their advisory classes to work on organization, to build character and community and to focus on their academics.
- ▣ 6th Grade Outdoor Ed Trip to Estes Park
- ▣ 7th Grade Outdoor Ed Trip to Keystone Science Center
- ▣ 8th Grade Trip to Washington D.C. and Philadelphia
- ▣ BFA Alumni report that they feel well prepared for H.S.

Ben Franklin Academy is truly a wonderful place to work and learn. It is an honor and a privilege to serve this amazing school community.

"Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn."

-Benjamin Franklin