

Magnify Your Middle School Years



EXPLORE THE MIDDLE GRADES

Middle school transforms the momentum of your early education into the beginning of the journey towards high school. Grades 6 to 8 are a time to build your knowledge, respond to curiosity, and grow as a leader and friend.

Darlington is all about inviting you to try something new! Exploratory period is a 9-week minimester that allows you to explore a new interest without the pressure of a grade. Choose from options like Consumer Science, Future Problem Solvers, Design Thinking, Coding, Money Management, and TED Talk Jr., among others. In Enrichment courses like Jazz Band, Robotics, Art, and Fitness, you'll develop skills and knowledge in a graded environment. Plus, you'll have input on the list of semester-long clubs that focus on the outdoors, crafts, sports, and more.

Test your skills as a leader on the Student Council or Service Committee and as a citizen on Dot Day, our annual day of service. And have fun! Challenge the faculty in Faculty/Student basketball and volleyball games, explore the Southeast in annual school trips, and hang with friends at dances and other student-led activities.

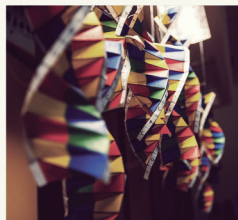
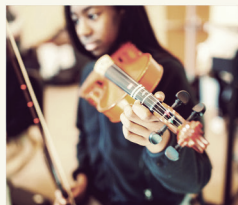


A Day in the Middle

To create community, every day begins with Flagpole, a gathering time for students in grades 3 to 8 to share announcements, athletic team updates, and celebrate birthdays, culminating in the Pledge of Allegiance and recitation of Darlington's Mission Statement. The 8-day rotating schedule includes longer periods with classes that meet every other day to help foster passions and pursuits. You'll have breaks in the day that allow plenty of time for reflection and social time with friends.

In addition to core classes, each 8-day rotation includes an assembly offering Character Education. You'll also have time to experiment with music, visual, or performing arts and build your athletic skills in the middle grades athletic program.

Get support being your best self – our Advisory program gives you a faculty-led, trusted peer group to help navigate middle school life; and the Learning Center supports students with diagnosed learning differences by providing specialists who work directly with you on achieving academic success.



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