

CAPITAL COLLEGE PREPARATORY ACADEMY



Preparing students for success in college, work and life in the 21st century

The Capital Academy provides students with a rigorous and highly specialized college preparatory education in a results-oriented, gender-specific learning environment. Through the mutual support of students, parents, staff and community stakeholders, scholars will acquire the knowledge, skills, and dispositions essential for achieving personal excellence and also for making positive, life-long contributions to our global society.

Pursuant to our mission the Capital College Preparatory Academy provides students with:

An Academic Focus

- College-preparatory curriculum aligned to the College Board Standards for College Success®
- A daily period of extended learning time devoted to STEM education provides students with interdisciplinary instruction in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, including Project Lead the Way® pre-engineering units and courses
- A daily period of extended learning time devoted to literacy education provides students with interdisciplinary instruction in reading, writing, social studies and world languages, including the option of studying Mandarin Chinese
- Common, formative assessments regularly measure student proficiency of academic content knowledge and skills
- Students are required to demonstrate mastery of 21st century learning skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, communication and technological skills through the development of Electronic Student Growth Portfolios
- Academic support and enrichment services are provided to students before, during and after the regular school day

A Learning Environment Conducive to High Achievement

- Small class sizes containing no more than 20 students for core academic instruction
- Two-teacher teams instruct, guide and support a group of no more than 40 students for a period of three years
- Saturday Academies focused on interdisciplinary themes relative to life in a global society (e.g., financial literacy)
- Student uniform includes dress shirt and pants, tie and blazer
- Mandatory parental participation in the educational process
- Research-based instructional strategies to meet the unique learning styles and social-emotional needs of young men and women
- Staff operates as a Professional Learning Community focused on learning and committed to continuous improvement

An Individualized Approach to Education

- The workshop model provides a practical opportunity for differentiated instruction in academic classes
- Students complete hands-on, real-world projects and focus their studies in areas of individual interest
- Electronic Student Growth Portfolios demonstrate the individual accomplishments and learning goals of each student
- By looping with their students, academic teachers remain with the same children from sixth grade through eighth grade

The Promise of College Graduation

- **The overarching goal of the Capital College Preparatory Academy is for 100% of our students to graduate from college**