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School Overview

“Pursuing Excellence through the Arts”

Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts is the newest constructed high school in Clayton County. Located in Jonesboro, Georgia, a suburb of metropolitan Atlanta, the school sits adjacent to the Clayton County Performing Arts Center.

Martha Ellen Stilwell was an influential pioneer for the arts. She was an educator in the Clayton County School System and was the first Fine Arts Coordinator for the school district. She originated the now-internationally renowned Spivey Hall Children’s Choir. The work of Martha Ellen Stilwell continues to promote excellence in academic growth and social development.

Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts opened its doors in August 2014 to educate students in the Clayton County School System. Built to meet the needs of a rapidly growing fine arts community, this state-of-the-art facility is home to grades 9-12 students with an enrollment of approximately 600. Under the leadership of Dr. Michael H. Robinson, a distinguished faculty and staff has been assembled to serve the school community. The parents, students and staff of Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts seek to build a world-class school that is internationally competitive in academics and the arts. The students, staff and school community will have a school facility that will prepare them for the demands of the 21st century and beyond.

Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts fine arts course progression will provide all students with a challenging learning opportunity that will ensure they will be able to compete globally upon graduating from high school. All courses are geared toward a rigorous “college prep” curriculum supported by engaging and relevant instruction. During the 2017-2018 school year Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts will offer fine art courses in the areas of dance, theatre, vocal music, orchestra, band, guitar, piano, and visual arts. Students will attend field trips and participate in performances and competitions. In addition, students will work with professionals to become familiar with careers in their chosen performance area. Preparing for auditions and submitting scholarship applications for college will be included as part of the curriculum. Students will also have access to the Clayton County Performing Arts Center for instruction, technical training, and performances.

Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts
Honors, Gifted, Advanced Placement and GAVS Courses

Academic Honors – Gifted Courses:	Fine Arts Honor Courses:	AP Courses:
9 th Literature/Composition Honors- Gifted	Band I Symphonic	AP Language Literature Focus
World Literature Honors - Gifted	Band II Symphonic	AP Literature
American Literature Honors - Gifted	Band III Symphonic	AP Calculus
GSE Accelerated Algebra I/Geometry	Band IV Symphonic	AP Statistics - GAVS
GSE Accelerated Geometry B/Algebra II	Choral Ensemble I	AP Biology
Algebra I – Gifted	Choral Ensemble II	AP Chemistry
Algebra II – Gifted	Mixed Chorus I Advanced	AP Physics I - GAVS
Biology I Honors - Gifted	Mixed Chorus II Advanced	AP Physics C - GAVS
Chemistry I Honors - Gifted	Mixed Chorus III Advanced	AP Government
Human Anatomy/Physiology - Gifted	Mixed Chorus IV Advanced	AP United States History
Physical Science - Gifted	String Orchestra I Advanced	AP Macroeconomics
Physics - Gifted	String Orchestra II Advanced	AP Spanish Language - GAVS
World History Honors - Gifted	String Orchestra III Advanced	AP Art History - GAVS
United States History - Gifted	String Orchestra IV Advanced	AP Studio Art - GAVS
	Music Theory II	AP Computer Science - GAVS
	Drawing and Painting II	AP Music Theory
	Select Studio I	
	Select Studio II	Georgia Virtual High School (GAVS) Courses:
	Modern Dance III	Astronomy
	Modern Dance IV	Chinese I & II
	Ballet III	French III
	Ballet IV	German I & II
	Jazz Dance III	Japanese I
	Development of Acting	Latin I, II & III
	Development of Theatre	Spanish III
	Music Theatre II	Math of Finance
	Music Theatre III	Introduction to Digital Technology
		SAT Preparation
		Forensic Science/Criminal Investigation
		Foundations of Engineering Technology

THE COUNTY:

LOCATED just south of Atlanta, Clayton County offers its residents the best of metropolitan living. With the heart of the South's great city only a few minutes away, Clayton County residents have access to the finest restaurants, theaters, museums, shopping malls, recreation and fitness centers, and nightlife entertainment. Perhaps no other county in Georgia offers residents the advantages of the big city, while maintaining its small town charm. Clayton County's proximity to four interstate highways and the fact that it is home to Hartsfield International Airport (one of the world's largest and busiest airports) make it convenient for people on the go. But when it is time to wind down, residents enjoy the tranquility offered by life in the suburbs among numerous lakes and pine trees. Add to that the reasonably priced housing, and it is easy to see why Clayton County is the best place to live.

THE FACULTY:

The professional staff at Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts is composed of over 30 teachers. All are certified in their specialized curricular areas. A majority has earned Master's Degrees and credits beyond the Masters level; some have Doctoral degrees.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS: Successful completion of a minimum of 23 credits including:

English	4	Social Studies	3	Fine Arts/Foreign Language	3
Mathematics	4	Physical Education	.5	Electives	4
Science	4	Health	.5		

➤ Students are encouraged to participate in community service activities.

INSTRUCTIONAL LEVELS:

AP	Advanced Placement	H	Honors
-	Comprehensive (Standard)	DES	Department of Exceptional Students
GT	Gifted	DE	Dual Enrollment

QUALITY POINTS: Advanced Placement courses receive 5 additional numeric points and one additional quality point.

Advanced Placement	A=5	B=4	C=3	D=2	F=0
Comprehensive (Standard)/DES	A=4	B=3	C=2	D=1	F=0

AP, Gifted and Honors courses are offered in the areas of English, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science, World Languages and Fine Arts.

CLASS RANK: Class rank will be computed for every high school student by dividing the total number of quality points accumulated by the total number of credits attempted. Students will also be ranked on the basis of a weighted grade point average. Class rank and Grade Point Average lists are produced each semester.

TESTING PROGRAM:

Students at Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts may elect to take a variety of college entrance tests. Testing packets include: SAT I, SAT II, ACT, ACT Writing, and Advanced Placement.

DIPLOMA SEALS:

In addition to students receiving their high school diploma, students are eligible to apply and complete a capstone project to receive an International Skills Diploma Seal and/or a Fine Arts Diploma seal upon graduation. The International Skills Diploma Seal "is awarded to graduating high school students who complete an international education curriculum and engage in extracurricular activities and experiences that foster the achievement of global competencies" while the Fine Arts Diploma Seal is "a signal to employers and higher education institutions that a student is prepared to participate in the creative economy."

Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts CEEB code is 111-743.

GRADUATE PROFILE:

Ninety-six percent of recent graduates pursued post-secondary education at four-year colleges and community colleges. Four percent of graduates pursued employment after high school.