

## Office of Advanced Academics Program Information

School Name	Program	Program Description
<b>Elementary School Special Programs</b>		
Casey Elementary School	Arts Integrated MS Whole School (K-5)	The Arts Integrated MS Whole School Program is designed to integrate the art forms of music, dance, drama, and visual arts in the curriculum.
McWillie Elementary School	Montessori (Pre-K-5)	The Montessori program promotes a hands-on, highly engaging, open educational setting, wherein students are self-paced under teacher facilitation. Not only does McWillie have traditional Pre-K classes, but there are also opportunities for families to apply to take advantage of one of the six Montessori Early Childhood classes (ages 3-4). These Early Childhood classes include a fee of \$300 per month or \$3,000 per school year.
Obama Elementary School	International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (PYP K-5)	The International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme is designed for high performing students in grades K-5. Is your child an inquirer and critical thinker? Is he/she highly motivated to learn new skills and explore ideas and concepts? Does he/she enjoy communicating and taking action? PYP students grow as lifelong learners through advanced academics and balanced education while demonstrating a high level of compassionate global citizenship.
Wells APAC	Academics and Performing Arts Complex (4-12)	The Academics and Performing Arts Complex is dedicated to cultivating, training, and showcasing the exceptional talent that our students have in the Arts and academics. While the audition-based Arts program features Dance, Music, Theatre and Visual Arts for grades 6-12, elementary students rising to grades 4-5 may apply for APAC Academics with an Arts component at this site as well.

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<b>Middle School Special Programs</b>		
Bailey APAC Middle School	Academics and Performing Arts Complex (6-8)	<p>The aim of APAC in the primary and middle years is to develop students who will demonstrate a high level of competency in Advanced Placement (AP) courses during grades 11 and 12. APAC builds its curriculum "down" from AP. Therefore, the academic component of APAC serves as a pre-AP program within Jackson Public Schools. The curriculum for APAC Academics in grades 4-10 will facilitate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjustments to units of study for each course that will foster inquiry, advance content, and extend higher level thinking skills.</li> <li>• Teaching content skills that are accelerated by at least one grade level.</li> <li>• Integration of meaningful processes and authentic product production throughout courses.</li> <li>• Building frequent interdisciplinary connections to broad themes, issues, and ideas.</li> </ul> <p>Students selected to participate in Performing Arts will engage in Arts instruction on the campus of Wells APAC during the elective block.</p>
Northwest Middle School	International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (MYP 6-8)	<p>The International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (MYP) is designed for high performing students in grades 6-8. The MYP aims to develop active learners and internationally minded young people who can empathize with others and pursue lives of purpose and meaning.</p>

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<b>High School Special Programs</b>		
Forest Hill High School	Academics and Performing Arts Complex (9-12) <b>Academics Only</b>	APAC is a challenging program of study in Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies that accelerates students in order to prepare them for Advanced Placement (AP) and college coursework. Students must take four APAC Core or AP courses in 9 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> grades. During grades 11-12, APAC students must be enrolled in at least two Advanced Placement (AP) courses to be considered a potential APAC graduate. APAC at this site is academics only.
Jim Hill High School	International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (MYP 9-10) and Diploma Programme (IBDP 11-12)	MYP is a continuation of the MYP offered at NWMS. The Diploma Program is taught to students in grades 11-12. IBDP aims to develop students who have excellent breadth and depth of knowledge—students who flourish physically, intellectually, emotionally, and ethically. These students are internationally-minded agents of change.
Murrah High School	Academics and Performing Arts Complex (9-12)	APAC is a challenging program of study in Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies that accelerates students in order to prepare them for Advanced Placement (AP) and college coursework. Students must take four APAC Core or AP courses in 9 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> grades. During grades 11-12, APAC students must be enrolled in at least two Advanced Placement (AP) courses to be considered a potential APAC graduate. All APAC students accepted to the performing arts program at Wells APAC, will attend academic classes at Murrah High School.
J-TECHS	JPS-Tougaloo Early College High School (9-12)	The program operates as a small, rigorous program housed Tougaloo College's campus. Students in the program complete Mississippi graduation requirements for high school while working on college coursework beginning in the 9 <sup>th</sup> grade. Students may earn up to two years of college credits or an associate degree by the completion of high school.
Jackson Middle College	Middle College Dual Enrollment Program at JSU	The Jackson Middle College is the newest addition to the JPS Advanced Academics Family. By partnering with Jackson State University (JSU), the Jackson Public School District is establishing a "Grow-Your-Own" Mathematics educator development program. We are seeking students with an interest in Mathematics to begin college coursework in the 11 <sup>th</sup> grade. Students accepted to this program who meet the specified criteria will complete college at JSU tuition free for four years! Upon meeting all teacher licensure requirements, students will return to teach for the Jackson Public School District. <b>Applicants must be rising 11<sup>th</sup> graders.</b>

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