

Franklin Military Middle Leadership Academy

Academic Excellence

Ethical Integrity

Selfless Service

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Mission of FMLA

- The mission of the Franklin Military Middle Leadership Academy is to prepare cadets to meet life's challenges academically and socially. A whole person, value-centered approach is used to develop leadership, communication and life skills in a highly structured, safe and academically challenging environment.



Objectives of the Program

- Improve academic achievement by ensuring that cadets get the support and attention they need to be successful in a rigorous college preparatory course of study.
- Teach cadets to be effective communicators and logical thinkers and give them opportunities to practice and develop those skills.
- Enhance students' self-discipline and self-esteem, and encourage positive behaviors and adherence to group norms.



Objectives of the Program

- Develop the leadership potential in each cadet.
- Develop and strengthen cadets' character and integrity, develop positive response to authority, willingness to support team, and appropriate empathetic responses by participating in service learning projects and other activities.
- Encourage and reward cadets who are effective team members.



Curriculum

- District approved middle school curriculum
- Military leadership lab
- Lions-Quest Skills For Adolescents (a comprehensive positive youth development and prevention program)
- Exploratory labs in Public Safety



Academic Advisory

- Cadets will meet daily with an assigned advisor to ensure a smooth transition from elementary school to middle school.



Academic Advisory

- Topics may include:
 - Note taking
 - Organizing your study area
 - Planning for longterm projects
 - Time management
 - Goal setting
 - How to read a textbook
 - Study skills
 - Summarizing information



Lion's Quest

- Cultivates capable and healthy young people of strong character through life skills, character education, SEL, civic values, drug prevention, and service-learning education
- A school-based comprehensive, positive youth development and prevention program that unites the home, school and community



Lion's Quest (continued)

Helps students gain positive attitudes and important life skills through:

- easy-to-use classroom materials;
- solid teacher in-service experiences; and
- important community links.



Winning Colors Character Program teaches how to:

- develop interpersonal skills
- develop successful communication skills at home and for the world of work or school
- develop powerful leadership skills and develop strong self-esteem
- defuse anger and hostility
- get along with others — the secret to self-empowerment
- develop strong team-building skills



Leadership: Program will emphasize experiential learning and provide opportunities for genuine leadership opportunities

- Communication; teamwork
- Collaborative experiences
- Personal identity
- Professionalism, Project Management
- Relationships with mentors, positive role models, or other nurturing and caring adults
- Gain an understanding of, and learn tolerance toward other people's cultures and other societies.



Service Learning

- A component of the school-wide implementation of Lions Quest Skills for Adolescents
- Authentically teaches students that character and integrity are essential to any truly educated person
- Performed as a cadre, or at times, individually
- Planning, execution and debriefing will be school-wide
- Involves parents and the community



Military Type Components

- Drill competition
- Summer opportunities
- Marksmanship
- Map reading skills
- Adventure Training
- Physical Fitness
- Opportunity to earn academic awards and honors
- Academic Bowl



Basic Military Protocol

- Respect
- Values
- Honesty, integrity
- Respect of the Flag
- Problem-solving skills
- Develop leadership hierarchy:
understanding of rank,
orders, etc.
- Marching



Uniforms

- Identify cadets as members of an elite group
- Are worn five days a week
- Are worn anytime cadets are out of the building on a special assignment
- Are fundamental to the success of the program



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- 4 Classes/100
- 4 core teachers
- Electives, including:
(foreign language, health and PE, military class, technology, Work and Family, etc.)



Girls' Uniform



Boys' Uniform



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