

HARTSFIELD'S ECO-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Hartsfield is a nationally certified Eco-School, awarded a Bronze-Level Status by the National Wildlife Federation for the creation of a schoolyard habitat for monarchs and other pollinators.

The schoolyard habitat, as well as year-round vegetable and herb gardens, bring environmental education and awareness to life. These outdoor environments offer daily opportunities for hands-on learning, inquiry, and observation.

A school-based team of students, educators, and community volunteers comprise our Hartsfield Eco-School Action Team. The Eco-School Action Team plans for and develops projects for the school that improve sustainability practices in the classroom, on campus, and beyond.



CONSCIOUS DISCIPLINE PROGRAM

As a Conscious Discipline school, Hartsfield practices a trauma-informed resiliency program that integrates social-emotional learning into our school culture.

We embrace the following key principles:

- We come to school prepared to learn and do our best.
- We respect one another, our environment, and ourselves.
- We take ownership of our actions and learning.
- We resolve conflicts in a peaceful, thoughtful, and meaningful way.
- We celebrate our individual and collective successes.

These principles help us sustain our school family and create a culture and climate of trust within our school where students feel safe to learn.

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Mission Statement

Hartsfield Elementary is a diverse School Family that embraces change.

We are committed to providing a rigorous and equitable educational experience. It is our responsibility to produce students who are agents for their learning and are safe to grow academically, socially, and emotionally.

To this end, we seek to facilitate an inquiry-based instructional delivery model that encourages collaboration and problem-solving. We promote international mindedness by developing the ability to connect with others in the interest of acting with compassion and serving the global community.

HARTSFIELD IS A TITLE I SCHOOL

A Title I designation means that the school is a federally funded program in which funds are provided to schools serving high numbers of economically disadvantaged children. Funding for this program is based on the percentage of students attending each school who qualify for free or reduced lunch. The goal is to support schools by providing resources and effective strategies to increase student achievement.

WHAT IS A PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAMME?

Hartsfield Elementary is an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme Candidate School.

- PYP is a transdisciplinary curriculum that focuses on the development of the whole child as an inquirer, both at school and beyond.
- What makes PYP schools unique is "how" students are taught, versus "what" students are taught.
- IB PYP schools strive to develop internationally-minded students who are able to understand themselves and others, fostering attributes necessary to thrive within a global society.
- The PYP focuses on the development of the whole child as an engaged inquirer, demonstrating agency (ownership) for their learning both in and outside the classroom.

In the PYP classroom,

- Learning is concept-based rather than topic-based, taking place through a transdisciplinary lens. PYP Teachers also teach students multiple Approaches to Learning so that students are equipped with the skills essential to becoming lifelong learners.

IB PIPELINE CONNECTIONS

Hartsfield Elementary is uniquely poised to offer learners a direct pipeline to the IB Middle Years Programme at Fairview Middle School and the IB Diploma Programme at Rickards High School. Upon completion of the Primary Years Programme, learners will enter any middle school program with the confidence and academic skills to succeed. The rigor offered through the PYP not only establishes lifelong learners, but future thinkers prepared to tackle the world of today and tomorrow.



Hartsfield's Primary Years Program Trajectory

Provided below is a four-year snapshot of the academic blueprint and path toward becoming a fully authorized Primay Years IB Program.

Spring 2023

- Implementation of PYP IB Units of Inquiry
- IB Site Visit and Application for Authorization

Fall 2022

- Continued Faculty Professional Learning
- Curriculum Development Workshops
- Implementation of Units of Inquiry

Summer 2022

- Continued Faculty Professional Learning
- Completion of Action Plan
- Policy Development

Spring 2022

- Site Visit By IB Consultant
- Continued Curriculum Development Workshops
- Pilot Unit of Inquiry

Summer and Fall 2021

- Faculty Professional Learning
- Development of Program of Inquiry
- Curriculum Development Workshops

Spring 2020

- **Hartsfield Elementary Admitted to Candidacy**

2018-2019

- School Visits to PYP Programs

Hartsfield teachers and administration began exploring creative curriculums in order to create a unique learning experience for students and bolster the academic programs offered. Choosing the IB platform for the elementary school and completing the pipeline of IB schools in Leon County offered an invaluable option and afforded students a K-12 IB learning experience.