Thurman White Academy of the Performing Arts



Mission: The mission of Thurman White Academy of the Performing Arts is to provide every student with an opportunity to obtain a quality education in a safe environment. All students will be expected to respect others and themselves, to take pride in their community, to strive for their unlimited potential, and to prepare for future endeavors and challenges.



Program at- a-glance

Thurman White Academy of the Performing Arts magnet program offers majors in Band, Choir, Dance, Orchestra, Theater/Technical Theater, Visual Arts, and Media Arts. TWA presents opportunities for students to explore their stage, find a passion, and develop special talents and abilities at each grade and in all areas of the arts. Thurman White Academy offers the spectrum of classes to meet the needs of the diverse learner including accelerated classes in math, science, social studies, and English Language Arts. Advanced studies in foreign language include the ability for students to take Spanish I and Spanish II for high school credit. Algebra I is also available for high school credit. Students who enjoy the visual and performing arts will find a program that inspires them at Thurman White Academy. We believe that talent is not innate but rather something that is nurtured and developed over time through life experiences that students have both in and out of the classroom. Our performing and fine arts teachers offer specialized instruction concentrating on developing students' artistic talents through persistence, practice, and performance. Our program is progressive, challenging, and most importantly, fun. It is for the creative, enthusiastic, and dedicated performer. We desire to contribute to the development of our youth's creativity and expand our students' passions; in doing so great things happen!

Thurman White Academy of the Performing Arts Facts at-a-glance

Established: 1991 Grades: 6 - 8

School Hours: 7:45 a.m.—2:56 p.m.

Principal: Andrea Katona Magnet Coordinator: Kathy Flynn

Special Features:

- MSA Magnet School of Excellence Award 2017
- MSA New & Emerging Magnet School Award 2017
- Over 30 after-school clubs, sports, and activities
- Received Superior Ratings in Band, Choir, and Orchestra at district and out-of-state music festivals
- Artists in residence provide master classes to enhance student experiences and level of performance
- Multiple field trips in the community and visiting performances for students to see professional productions and to experience the arts in the community

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