



Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School



Key Academic Initiatives:

- **Thinking Maps:** 8 visual maps used across the curriculum based on cognitive skills. Supports students to organize thoughts, process information, and critically think
- **Personalized Learning:** i-Ready and Study Island are web-based programs students can use at home and school to support learning on an individual level
- **Academic Vocabulary:** Core content vocabulary is posted in every classroom and hallway to support students in successfully mastering standards.



Over the past 3 years we have worked diligently to close the achievement gap and we are excited to announce that we are no longer designated as a Focus School as of the 2015-2016 school year!

Supporting our Curriculum

- **Georgia State CREATE program:** 5 year grant to support the development of pre-service teachers in the Jackson Cluster through mentorship, classroom teaching experience, and collaboration.
- **AmeriCorps Academic Mentoring and Enrichment- GA Tech, CEISMC:** partnership with GA Tech to support students and teachers in math and science. Provides 1-1 tutoring, classroom demonstrations, and instructional support for teachers.
- **Captain Planet Foundation:** grant to implement learning garden supported by FoodCorps AmeriCorps member to facilitate garden based learning.



Supporting the Whole Child

Social, Emotional, and Behavioral initiatives that support the development of the whole child

- **Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support (PBIS):** evidence-based program to decrease disciplinary infractions, increase safety and support, and improve student outcomes
"The King Way" – Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe
- **Second Step:** Evidence-based support to increase social-emotional intelligence in staff and students