

Welcome Back!

Gifted & Talented Students and Their Parents:

Welcome back to a new year at Ralph Bunche Middle School. You are among the 70 students at Bunche who have been previously identified as Gifted & Talented. We are excited to have such a group of bright, motivated young people among our student body. This school year, the Gifted & Talented program at Bunche will be overseen by Mrs. Marina Hendon and a team of gifted-certified teachers. We will collaborate with your teachers to ensure that you are challenged in ways that are appropriate to your abilities.

In elementary school, you might have been in a “challenge” pull-out program where you received special instruction in an alternative setting while other students remained in class. In middle school, we meet your needs for academic curiosity and autonomy, increased rigor, advanced content, through your Gifted Advanced Content (.2) courses. Our team of gifted teachers will work with your teachers to ensure the quality and appropriateness of differentiation for Gifted & Talented students.

In addition to traditional classroom instruction, Gifted & Talented students also have the opportunity to stretch themselves intellectually through projects and extracurricular activities. Gifted & Talented students are strongly encouraged to complete an Academic Fair project in Science, Social Studies, or Technology. We will work with your teachers to support your efforts. If you are looking for guidance finding a challenging extracurricular activity, please reach out to Mrs. Hendon.

For any questions that you might have about the Gifted & Talented Program at Bunche Middle School, please feel free to contact us or email us any time.

Thank you.

Mrs. Marina Hendon

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