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What is the Academic Enrichment Program?

Focus of the Program

- Develop students who have a strong work ethic, welcome problematic situations, accept ambiguity, and seek alternative possibilities.
- Provides rich and rigorous activities and experiences that supplement the Alberta curriculum
- Focuses on analytical thinking and writing skills.
- Fosters leadership and global citizenship through engaging and rigorous learning experiences rooted in competency development (Problem Solving, Creativity & Innovation, Collaboration, Managing Information, Critical Thinking, Personal Growth & Well-Being, Communication, Cultural & Global Citizenship), conceptual understanding, and authentic learning

Elements of the Program

- Close links to senior high schools offering Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate programs
- Use of primary resources and effective questioning
- Creation of learning environments that encourage students to take intellectual risks, formulate questions, draw inferences, and construct solid verbal and written arguments
- Students will be involved in active, high-level learning which will foster an appreciation of quality work and diligent effort.

Target Students

- Intended for all junior high students who want an academically rigorous and challenging program
- Based on motivation, work ethic, and performance-based criteria, including a Teacher Recommendation

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1. STUDENT & PARENT INFORMATION:

Please provide the following information:
LAST NAME OF STUDENT:
FIRST NAME OF STUDENT:
CURRENT SCHOOL:
CURRENT GRADE:
TEACHER CONTACT:
Teacher Name:
Teacher Email:

PARENT NAME:
ADDRESS:
PHONE: CELL:
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Please return this form as part of the Academic Enrichment Program application package to the General Office or scan and email to kisewatisiwin@epsb.ca by March 22, 2024.



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2. TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

Applicants must ask their current teacher to contact the Academic Enrichment Program Coordinator, Eleni Decker, at eleni.decker@epsb.ca to obtain the electronic Teacher Recommendation Form. The form must be completed by the applicant's teacher and returned electronically.

3. PARENT RECOMMENDATION FORM

<u>Parents:</u> Please complete this form as a portion of the Academic Enrichment Program application process.

Student Profile for the Program

This program is appropriate for those students who are:

- 1. interested in academic activities, learning new concepts, self-motivated, and have a strong work ethic
- 2. curious and look for answers in new settings
- 3. interested in participating in a program that focuses on inquiry, critical thinking, problem-solving, and collaboration
- 4. demonstrating either near honours or honours as reflected in: classroom marks, literacy and numeracy assessments, observations made in and out of the classroom, and conversations students have with peers and teachers

Parent Support:

Based on the extent to which your child demonstrates the characteristics in the Student Profile as described above, describe why you believe the Academic Enrichment Program would be a good match for your child?					

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4. STUDENT INTEREST CHECKLIST

Place the number in the blank before each statement, which reflects your work habits, attitude and effort in your class. 1 Rarely **2** Occasionally **3** Most of the Time 1. I attend school regularly and punctually. 2. I work within school and classroom behavioural norms and expectations. 3. I am able to do the work of a rigorous program. 4. I am able to complete assignments in a timely manner and will do homework when needed and/or assigned. 5. I am *committed* to a daily review/homework schedule that includes daily reading. 6. I am able to manage multiple tasks and responsibilities. 7. I seek out and respond well to academic challenges and have a positive attitude. 8. I am *motivated* and able to learn independently. 9. I am *intellectually inquisitive*. I love asking questions and looking for the answers. 10. I am *committed to* and *want to* be a part of the Academic Enrichment Program. 11. I am prepared to positively participate in class (contribute positively to class discussions, be engaged during individual activities and group collaborations and discussions, bring

required class materials consistently).