



**Braddock Elementary**  
Advanced Academics Information  
Meeting  
September 15, 2021



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# Advanced Academic Programs (AAP)

Overview of available services

ELEMENTARY - MIDDLE - HIGH SCHOOL



## Advanced Academic Programs Overview

### Young Scholars Model - All K-12 Students

| Elementary School: K-6                                    | Middle School                                                       | High School                                                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Critical and Creative Thinking Strategies (I)             | IB Middle Years Program – Grades 6 -10 (selected schools)           |                                                             |
| Differentiated Lessons in areas of Academic Strength (II) | Honors Courses in areas of Academic Strength/Interest<br>Grades 7-8 | Honors Courses<br>Advanced Placement (AP)                   |
| Part-Time Advanced Academic Program (III)                 |                                                                     | International Baccalaureate (IB)<br>Dual Enrollment Courses |
| Full-Time Advanced Academic Program (IV) - Grades 3-8     |                                                                     | Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology     |

*Adapted from the Integrated Continuum of Special Services by Sally Reis and Levels of Service by Donald Treffinger.*

## ELEMENTARY

Grades 3-6

### Level IV Full-Time services

Some advanced learners need a full-time advanced academic program with differentiated instruction in all 4 content areas.

Students eligible for full-time AAP services receive:

advanced Language Arts, science, and social studies curriculum, and math curriculum at least one year above grade level.

**Students need to be screened for full-time services. Parents may refer their child to be screened**

# What is the YS Model?

The Young Scholars Model identifies and nurtures advanced academic potential in students from historically underrepresented populations.

All students at Braddock Elementary School in grades Kindergarten through 2nd grade, are receiving the Young Scholars Model of teaching and accessing the advanced curriculum for those grade levels.

## Braddock Elementary School

At Braddock Elementary, we will continue to **Nurture**, **Guide**, and **Support** your child throughout their educational journey.

### Nurture

- Welcoming & Safe Environment
- Rigorous Curriculum
- Established Routines
- Multiple Learning Opportunities

### Guide

- Clear Expectations
- Engaging Learning Experiences
- Goal Setting
- Opportunities for Choice
- Opportunities for Practice
- Encouraging Independence & Collaboration

### Support

- Ongoing Communication
- Small Group Instruction
- Student & Family Resources
- Before & After School Learning Opportunities



# How to Apply for Level IV Services

**STUDENTS IN GRADES 2-7 MAY APPLY**



# Timeline for Submitting an AAP Level IV Referral (Sept 8-Dec 15)

- Referrals for AAP level IV screening will be collected between September 8 through December 15, 2021.
- [Referral forms](#) are emailed to Jenna Murgia- [jlmurgia@fcps.edu](mailto:jlmurgia@fcps.edu) and Keesha Jackson-Muir- [knjacksonmui@fcps.edu](mailto:knjacksonmui@fcps.edu) The email will count as a digital signature for the referral.

**Note: Referrals will not be accepted past December 15, 2021\*.** A deadline of December 15, 2021 gives local schools time to organize and submit screening portfolios to the central office. ***\*This is a hard deadline.***

## Parent Input

- A [referral form](#) is **required** for any student (grades 2-7) whose parent would like them screened for full-time services but is not in the 2nd grade screening pool.
- Students are automatically placed in the screening pool if their Naglieri test scores are high enough.
- Parents will be notified by the local school if their second-grade student is in the pool by **December 10, 2021**.
- Parents whose child is in the pool may submit the referral form but are not required.



# QUESTION

**What is the family's role in the screening process?**

Keep in mind this is an academic program. Samples from writing, math, science, and social studies are most helpful for the screening committee.

The committee will be looking for students who use details, what they already know, and their imagination to improve their writing and social studies work. A student's creative thinking skills to solve problems in math and science should be obvious in the student work samples.

# QUESTION

**Are eligibility  
decisions final?**

Parents/Guardians may **appeal** the decision.

Information on the appeals process is in the ineligible decision letter.

Students in grades 2-7 may be screened for Level IV screening each school year.



# Questions?

Please email the AAP Team

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- Grade 1
- Grade 2



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In charge of students in:

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- Grade 4
- Grade 5



# QUESTION

**When do eligible students begin full-time AAP services?**

**Spring Screening:** Begin full-time AAP services beginning the next school year.

**Fall Screening** (only available to students who are new to FCPS): Begin full-time AAP services second semester

