

## DREAMS BEGIN HERE

With a rich history, Rufus Payne Elementary School offers several exciting programs to complement our core magnet Primary Years International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme. Tucked securely away in Jacksonville's Northwest quadrant, our school is committed to providing a high-quality educational experience for every child in every classroom every day. Our deep commitment to science and technology is reflected in our state-of-the-art computer lab, four technology stations in each classroom equipped with SMART board technology, a media center with Wi-Fi accessibility to service up to 20 or more students at one given time and a mobile technology lab. Affording students a well-rounded experience, we also provide programs that include TEAM UP, which offers after school tutoring and enriching activities; Family Math Night, International Day and three curriculum labs, one of which includes foreign language. Combined, these programs help our students formulate dreams and learn how to pursue them.

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# RUFUS E. PAYNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*Implementing a Primary Years  
International Baccalaureate Programme*



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## PRIMARY YEARS INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMME

The IB curriculum at Payne is based on best practices in both teaching and learning. This provides for the development of the whole child, heart and mind, while emphasizing an international perspective. The curriculum is built around six themes:

- Sharing the planet
- Who we are
- Where we are in place and time
- How we express ourselves
- How the world works
- How we organize ourselves

At Rufus E. Payne, every child experiences inquiry-based instruction, challenging assessments, high academic standards, intellectual rigor, real-world experiences, a hands-on approach to learning, standards-based content and a second-language requirement (Mandarin Chinese).

Rufus E. Payne is a candidate school\* for the Primary Years Programme (PYP). This school is pursuing authorization as an IB World School. These are schools that share a common philosophy — a commitment to high quality, challenging, international education that Rufus E. Payne believes is important for our students.

\*Only schools authorized by the International Baccalaureate (IB) as IB World Schools can offer any of its three academic programmes: the IB Primary Years Programme (PYP), the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP), or the IB Diploma Programme. Candidate status gives no guarantee that authorization will be granted.

For further information about the IB and its programmes, visit <http://www.ibo.org>.



## OUR MAGNET PROGRAM

The Rufus E. Payne magnet program places a special emphasis on scientific, inquiry-based instruction. Our science lab enhances scientific knowledge through hands-on experiences. Students also develop an understanding of other cultures by studying a foreign language in our International Learning Lab. In addition, students further increase their knowledge through an emphasis on cultural learning, creative problem solving and critical thinking in our Literacy Enriching Lab.

## PAYNE’S WAY OF EXCELLENCE!

Within our closely knit community, highly qualified teachers are totally committed to building positive relationships with each student. Our community business partners share this commitment. Payne students also enjoy Enrichment Club activities such as dance, step, journalism, Yearbook, Broadcasting, and Graphic Arts. Students are offered program continuity to the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme at Paxon, Lake Shore and Fort Caroline Middle schools.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT RUFUS E. PAYNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PLEASE CALL (904) 924-3020.

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