

Innovative Activities



The LaVilla School of the Arts is the only middle magnet school of the arts in Duval County and has an innovative arts program that

challenges its students to achieve a high standard of artistic performance and academic excellence.

Student life includes attending plays, dance and musical concerts, and visual arts exhibits. Experts in each area of the arts are invited to participate in the program by providing master classes and working with students in a variety of creative ways. Students are provided with many opportunities to create, perform and critique within their chosen arts areas and learn many of the critical thinking skills necessary for success in any chosen field of study.

Teachers are dedicated to helping students reach very high levels of achievement in the arts and in the academics.

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The Middle Magnet School



Visual and Performing Arts



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With a faculty of highly qualified professionals specifically selected for this school, our magnet program is designed for both beginning and advanced students with a sincere commitment to studying the arts. Prior training and experience are not required for selection.

A full academic program is offered at gifted, advanced, standard and ESE levels. Students take all of the academic courses required in middle school and will have at least two additional periods for art instruction every day.

LaVilla is located downtown one block from the Ritz Theatre on the corner of Beaver and Davis Streets. The facility has been specifically designed for a visual and performing arts middle school program. Two theatres and a scene shop, dance studios, instrumental and vocal suites, piano lab and visual arts labs are available and designed for this unique program.

Art

In the visual arts, students explore drawing, painting, pottery and sculpture. Through design, art appreciation and art history, students discover, expand and enrich their talents. In-school work is strengthened by field trips and workshops.



Drama

The theater-arts program develops self-awareness, imagination and communication. Studio work includes movement, improvisation, voice and diction, mime, acting and drama history. As students advance, they learn set design and production, make-up, and sound and lighting. Students may participate in both school and community productions.



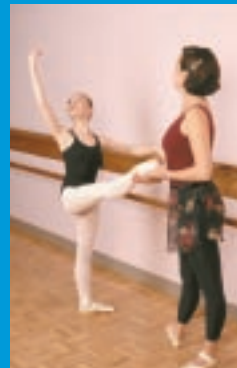
Music

Music is an integral and exciting part of LaVilla's curriculum. Students learn to play as well as develop their established skills in beginning, concert or symphonic bands; jazz bands; keyboard classes; guitar or orchestra. Students learn and develop their vocal technique in the chorus or choral ensemble.



Dance

The dance curriculum teaches students skills in ballet, tap, jazz and modern dance. Classroom work includes dance history and choreography. Studio work centers on practical skills. Students perform in dance concerts for the school and community.



Learning And Growing

LaVilla School of the Arts expects its students to study hard and respect the rights of others. Students grow in an appreciation of a variety of art forms and in an understanding of the commitment necessary to be successful in each arts area. Students learn to embrace diversity and to accept differences as an important part of a good school. Self-expression and self-confidence grow as students confront challenging academic and arts classes and participate in many exciting and rewarding activities.

To learn more about LaVilla School of the Arts, please call

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www.duvalschools.org/lavilla



Creative Writing

Creative writing allows students to explore written expression in a variety of forms: short fiction, drama, poetry, non-fiction and journalism, as well as through collaborative projects. Editing and peer critique skills are emphasized, and students have quarterly opportunities to share their voices and visions at intimate public readings.

