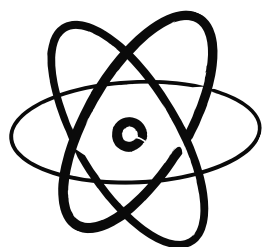
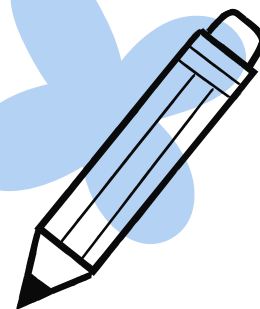


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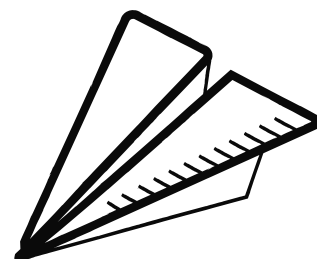


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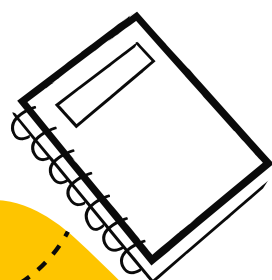


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TOP 4 QUESTIONS TO ASK: WHAT GETS STUDENTS READY FOR HIGH SCHOOL?



1 IS BIGGER BETTER?

Kids just grow up so fast; there is no need to speed up the process. A bigger student body size means a lower student-teacher ratio and less individualized one-on-one time. **There is a window of opportunity to be a leader in Presentation's Middle School versus skipping over leadership opportunities just to be a follower.** A larger middle school means less parent involvement during a time when parental guidance is highly needed; the high school-like setting of today's middle schools mean parents are left with a more hands-off environment

2 DO THE EFFECTS OF PEER PRESSURE CRAMP THE ABILITY TO BE YOUR OWN PERSON?

These days peer pressure is rearing its ugly head at earlier ages, especially in Middle School. Students feel stressed because they fear being seen doing a kind act or talking with "unpopular" classmates because of the fear of being laughed at or judged. **At Presentation, the culture of kindness and charity runs deep; students here live out love for all others without fear and without hesitation, all while building life-long friendships.**

3 DOES THE SCHOOL HELP BUILD A FOUNDATION OF SELF-CONFIDENCE AND SELF-ADVOCACY?

Does your student have a voice? **Before entering high school, students should develop a level of comfortability with one's self and identity as a child of God.** Is the student building skills to approach teachers and administration for help? Does the student have an ability to take charge of one's own academic experience and extra-curricular activities? The answer to both of these questions at Presentation, in an age-appropriate manner, is yes.

4 DO OUR ACADEMICS PROMOTE HIGH SCHOOL READINESS?

Our academics are strong at Presentation, and our graduates consistently do well no matter where they go to high school. Academics matter, there is no question there. BUT, remember not to lose sight of the necessities of character, relationship, and faith-building that takes place in the age-appropriate, safe, and nurturing environment of Presentation's Middle School.

Why PRESENTATION?

Development

We've Got This! Our middle school wraps directly around each student in a faith-filled, age-appropriate influential environment. This builds self-advocacy, self-confidence, and character so they are ready to pave their own way for a successful academic journey lasting well beyond high school.



K-8 Model

We've Got This! Although we have strong academics, there is more to successful preparation for high school. Middle school academics don't determine future earning potential, but a successful middle school experience in a K-8 setting does contribute to a student's success and achievement in high school and beyond. Middle school students need to feel safe and nurtured in order to be fully-ready to meet the academic and social rigors of their freshman year, and Presentation's K-8 Model offers just that.

Leadership

We've Got This! There are so many leadership opportunities at Presentation that encourage students to reach their full potential beyond our offered extra-curriculars. These include our Buddy Program, Student Council, and Altar Serving to name a few. Small class size also naturally provides more leadership opportunities, bringing confidence to take on future challenges! This is the difference between leading and following that is nurtured during the middle school years at Presentation.



Community

We've Got This! Whether its through helping a younger student at a sports clinic, managing their school work and navigating their middle school schedule, or volunteering at one of our events, the opportunities to build strong foundations and relationships gained in the supportive and encouraging community at Presentation set our students up for solid success in their future high school career.



Presentation of Mary Middle School is here to support your student on a path to success!

There's a Place for you at Presentation!

We invite you to come experience our warm and welcoming environment firsthand! Schedule a shadow day for your student to spend a day in our Middle School - we are sure they'll come home with a big smile and great stories to tell you. Please also keep an eye on our social media pages and website to stay up to date on fun happenings and events. All of our events are open to anyone wishing to attend, so please stop on by and bring a friend with you!

If you have any questions or would like to discuss our Middle School further, please don't hesitate to reach out to our principal, Sue Lovegreen, at slovegreen@presentationofmary.org.

Let's be friends!

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