



Beechwood Middle School

LEXINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ONE

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Principal: Leah Sarantopoulos

Assistant Principals: Brantley Foxworth, Jason Mills and Mickey Summerall

Grades Served: 6–8

School Size: 196,000 square feet

Projected Student Enrollment: 1,022

Capacity: 1,200 students

Mascot: Bengals

School Colors: Midnight Navy and Carolina Blue

Empower each child to design the future.

Beechwood Middle School (BMS) is guided by the International Baccalaureate's (IB) mission to “develop inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through international understanding and respect” and is committed to fulfilling the vision and mission of Lexington County School District One to **empower each child to design the future** and **cultivate a caring community where ALL learners are extraordinary communicators, collaborators, creators and critical thinkers.**

All students, regardless of circumstances, advance on time, prepared to graduate and ready to enter college, the military or industry with certification.

BMS is an authorized IB World School offering the Middle Years Program (MYP) to all of our students. The rigorous, inquiry-based, global, and holistic course of study prepares students for any of Lexington District One's multiple college and career readiness pathways.

Teaching and learning develop power skills in all students.

Through the IB's Approaches to Learning skills, Learner Profile traits, and an experiential curriculum that includes exploratory course offerings in the areas of design, arts, world language, and physical education, BMS cultivates the real-world connection and application of skills to guarantee continuous relevant learning.

Our schools are service-oriented centers of learning, committed to family and community partnerships.

IB service learning, culminating in the eighth-grade community project, enables Beechwood to function as a service-oriented center of learning which builds strong family and community partnerships. Students are empowered to research significant local and global issues and take action, resulting in young people who are creative and reflective citizens.

Every adult will be equipped with the skills and resources necessary to advocate for and ensure the success of all students.

BMS believes that relationships are at the core of student success. Consequently, students will be provided with a teacher advocate to support them on their learning path and design units of study that develop perseverance, critical thinking, and the ability to communicate and collaborate toward a common goal.