



Gulf Coast Academy

of Science & Technology

Dear prospective students and parents/guardians,

Thank you for your interest in Gulf Coast Academy of Science & Technology. We are pleased to offer an exceptional middle school program to students in the Spring Hill, Florida area. The 2024—2025 school year marks our twentieth anniversary. Our unique approach to middle school education is grounded in best practices and our understanding that middle school is really the “wonder years” where there is a surge in both academic learning and social development.

One of the most unique aspects of our educational program is the weekly Field Activity Program. We've developed a collection of age-appropriate day-trips that expand the horizons for our students while providing avenues for both confidence building and positive social interaction. This is coupled with traditional classroom instruction, online reinforcement of mathematics and reading content, science laboratory experiments and investigations, and an unparalleled technology education program.

Gulf Coast Academy of Science & Technology supports the middle school concept with capped class sizes, consistency of teachers, students groups into teams, a robust extended school day with a variety of clubs, supplemental learning opportunities, and themed programmatic elements.

While Gulf Coast Academy is recognized by the State of Florida as a “School of Excellence” and a “High Performing Middle School” we realize that the essence of the school is not measured by test scores but by the poised, confident young adults that cross our graduation stage prepared and ready to take on the challenges of high-school and beyond.

Students that have an interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM) and who aren't afraid of a 1.5 hour nightly homework requirement, enjoy trips and outings, and can follow standard classroom rules of behavior tend to thrive in our middle school.

We sincerely hope that you take the time to discuss the possibility of joining Gulf Coast Academy of Science & Technology with your middle school aged child(ren). **We typically begin accepting online applications for the NEXT school year in the preceding June.**

The application process is summarized below:

1. Submit an online application between June and November.
2. Attend a mandatory pre-application meeting in order to proceed with the application.
3. Receive a password immediately after the mandatory pre-application meeting.
4. Login! - Start the Online Application Checklist
5. Complete the Online Application Checklist BEFORE the published deadline.
- 6. Completed applications become part of the enrollment lottery.**
7. If your application is accepted through the lottery, you will have five days to confirm your acceptance of the middle school position being offered to you.

Warm regards,
The GCA Administrative Team