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6th Grade Challenge - Room 213

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Welcome to Challenge!

Below are answers to some questions that you may have about this class.

***What do we do in Challenge?***

We will be doing a variety of activities and projects in Challenge this school year. These activities are in part determined by the goals written in your GIEP. These activities and projects will include various problem solving and enrichment tasks. One of the goals of this class is to provide you with opportunities to explore your academic strengths and interests.

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| Problem Solving | Enrichment |
| * Mapping the School * Brain Teasers and puzzles * “Brain Drain” Activities | * Mapping the school - math and science extensions * Independent Study project * MathCounts Competition * Creative Writing assignments |

***Who will I be working with?***

6th students will be working with other 6th grade students who have met the criteria for receiving gifted support. At times activities will be individual in nature, other times you will be working with a partner or even a team. Figuring out how to work with a team and use of everyone’s ideas is a problem solving activity in of itself. SO **YES** YOU MUST WORK WITH OTHERS!!

***When is Challenge?***

You will come to Challenge 2 times per six day schedule on days 3 and 4.

***Who teaches Challenge?***

Mr. Crowell will be the teacher for 6th grade Challenge. Depending on the activity, you may be working with another subject area teacher who is knowledgeable about a specific activity that you are completing.

***Are there grades for Challenge?***

You will not receive a letter grade for your work in Challenge class. Instead, a progress report will be sent home each marking period describing your progress on GIEP goals and what you worked on during that marking period. That said, **this class is truly one in which you get out of what you put in.**