

“Leaders of Excellence”

Military Magnet Academy



2022 Annual Community Report

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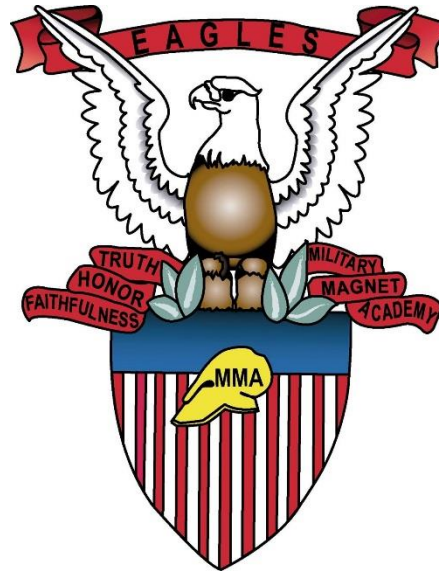
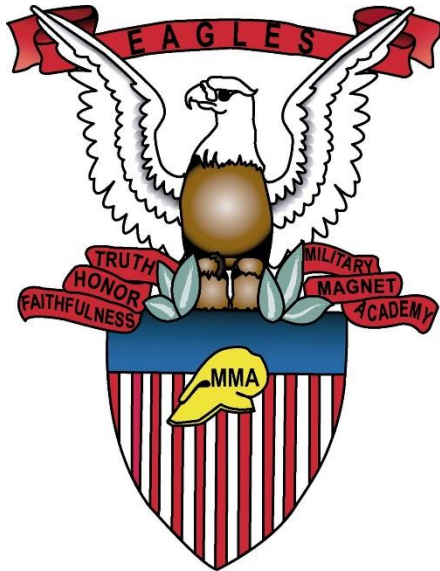
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MMA received the PALMETTO GOLD AWARD for Student Achievement and for Closing the Achievement Gap



A Vision of Excellence; A glimpse into the Military Magnet Academy...



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We are a school where daily we are striving to ensure our cadet scholars, staff, and community stakeholders believe our student learners deserve;

- the chance to achieve Academic Excellence
- a foundation that leads to success.
- a safe and positive learning environment.
- challenging academic and leadership opportunities
- the support of parents, peers, educators, and the community.

It is our responsibility to nurture our cadet scholar's dreams so that they become reality. We must be daily motivators and encourager of success and achievement. Coupled with hard work, our school will indeed reach all of our goals.



Who Are We?

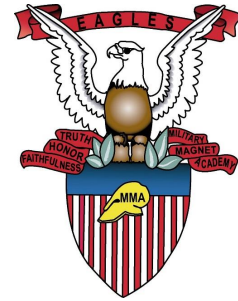
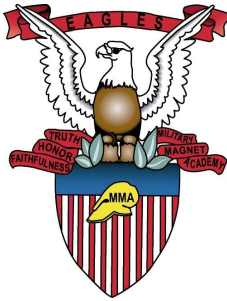
“Leaders of the 21st Century”



Military Magnet Academy is one of fifteen schools in the Charleston County School District's secondary-post secondary learning community. Located in the Chicora community of North Charleston, the academy serves 449 cadet scholars in grades 6 -12 from across Charleston County. The school is the only Title 1 funded full magnet organization in the cohort of CCSD.



Military Magnet Academy provides academic courses at all levels including; dual credit in collaboration with The Trident Technical College; Advanced Placement (AP) classes, as well as Career and Technology Education.



What we have to offer...

A True Military Experience



During the summer, we intent on providing cadets with training in conjunction with professional military staff at the Marine Camp in Parris Island, Junior Leadership Course at Ft. Jackson, onsite leadership training and annual summer camp for all returning and new students. The list below is the professional military staff members that lead the cadets at the Military Magnet Academy;

Commandant of Cadets

Middle Grades

6 Tactical Officers

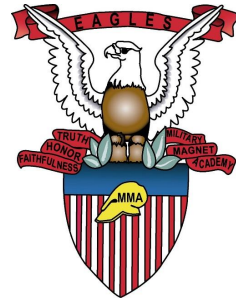
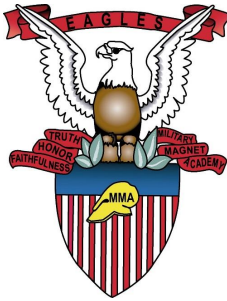
USN, USA, USMC, USAF

High School

Senior Army Instructor (SAI)

2 Certified JROTC Instructors





Professional Educators and Support Staff...

MMA Administration

Principal

Assistant Principal

Director of School Counseling

Lead Curriculum Instructor

Master Literacy Coach

Middle Grades

High School

12 Certified Core Instructors

11 Certified Core Instructors

3 CTE Instructors

Band/ Art Instructor

ESOL Instructor

Physical Education/ Health Instructor

FOCUS Program Personnel

School Counseling Services

2 HS Counselor /Middle Grades Counselor

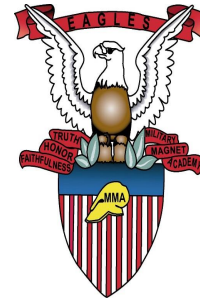
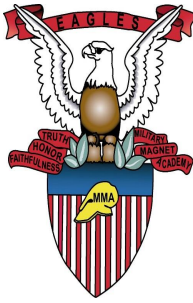
Mental Health Counselor

MMA School Psychologist

School Nurse

MMA SRO

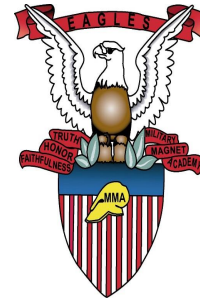
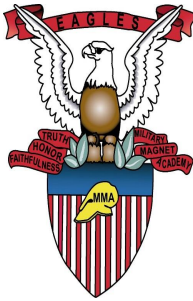
Professional Food Service Staff



Academics at the Military Magnet Academy...



Military Magnet Academy, accredited by the former Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, will now continue as an accredited organization under the umbrella of CCSD's partnership with AdvancED. When our students move to other systems and on to higher education, their credits will be viewed as being of high quality. Accredited systems are often viewed as having a "seal of approval" as an indicator of the quality of the instructional experiences provided to students in the system. AdvancED accreditation opens doors to being competitive for national grants since many of them require external accreditation status for eligibility. It is our goal to provide a rigorous academic program that is comparable to not only the district and state schools, but educational institutions that perform at the highest levels both nationally and internationally. Please visit our website: <https://militarymagnet.ccsdschools.com/> for additional information regarding academics, staff, athletics, and other programs the Military Magnet Academy has to offer our families and cadet scholars.



Military Magnet

Highlights and Achievements...

MMA 2021–2022 Acknowledgements

English Department

Middle School

- Instructors completed Year 4 of integrating adaptive digital content; NoRedink and Achieve 3000 in all classes.

High School

- Focused on Social-Emotional health and stability as we navigate through this post pandemic impacted school year. .

History- Social Studies Department

Middle School

- All classes implemented computer assisted instruction technology
- Continued the use of the district wide CANVAS platform and related apps.

High School

- Increased the attendance of Cadet Scholars in the Dual Enrollment TTC, AP Human Geography, AP

Mathematics Department

Middle and High School

- Implemented computer assisted instruction in grades 6th – 12th using IXL, ALEKS, and Khan Academy for credit recovery, content recovery, and MAP assessment preparation.
- Welcomed 6 new instructors to our HS and MS Staff.
- Instructors continued working to create and implement a vertically aligned curriculum to span from 6th grade to 12th grade.

Special Education

- Participated in multiple CCSD-DECS training and professional development in-services.
- Hired additional instructor in MMA DEC department.

World History and U.S. History EOC prep and tutorial cohorts.

MMA 2021–2022 Acknowledgements

School Counseling

- Facilitated the implementation of year 4 PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention System)
- Provided workshops on College Board assessments, scholarship application completion, NCAA athletic clearinghouse, as well as post-secondary employment opportunities for high school cadet scholars.

Physical Education

- Established health and awareness initiative, complementary of the required health education and curriculum completed by high school cadet scholars.
- Collaborated with the Tactical officer staff to provide a comprehensive physical education experience for middle grade cadet scholars (Including Sexual education instruction)

Visual Art

- Promoted and submitted student artwork to local artist for display.
- Completed workshops at the Gibbes Arts Museum, the American College of the Arts, and the Halsey Institute of Contemporary Art

Science Department

Middle School

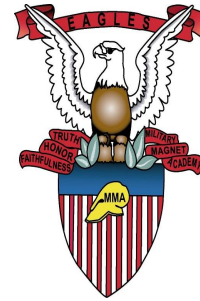
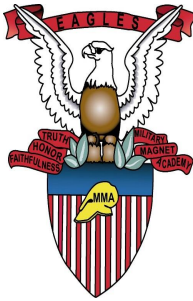
- Increased the enrollment of 8th grade honors cadet scholars in the high school Earth Science, ENG I or II, and ALG I or a Geometry course for credit.
- Instructors collaborated with English instructors to implement a “focus on literacy through science” by reading science-related text for book reports.

High School

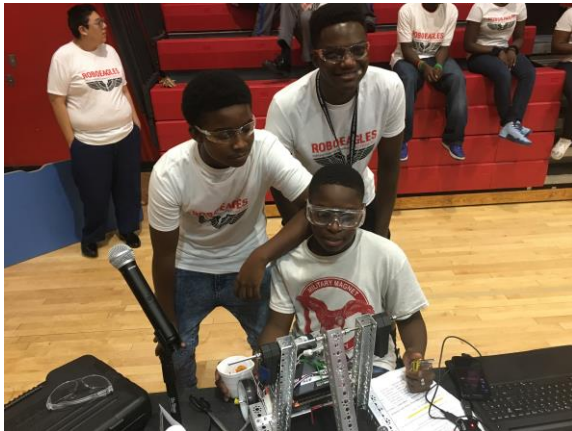
- Implemented 1:1 digital learning capabilities in all HS science courses.
- Cadets participated in the R.L. Childer’s Midway Physics Day and the Center for Ecological living and learning’s activity series on Ecology.

Band

- Participated in the 2021 Charleston Christmas Parade and the 2022 Carowinds Concert Band series.
- 300% growth from the previous year with band cadet participation.



Career Exploration at the Military Magnet Academy...



Information Technology

- Revised the protocols for the "MMA Eagle Helpdesk" – WBL (Working on PC Pro Certification)
- Continued partnerships and internships the College of Charleston and the Charleston Technology community.
- TechnoEagles established at MMA.
- Doubled the number of IT Completers
- Secured personal laptop computers for 40 cadet scholars.

Culinary Arts

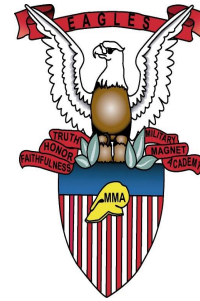
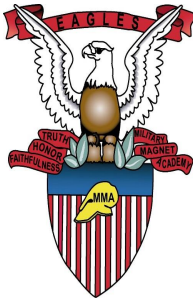
- MMA Culinary Arts department completers increased by more the 20%
- Completed detailed study and implementation of local Cuisine
- MMA Cadets have participated in the statewide work and employment experiences.

Business

- MMA cadets participated in the Trident Technical College and Career Fair.
- Re-establish the Webpage design and Entrepreneurship courses.
- Established the school-based work store.



- MMA Cadets participated in a series of focused learning experiences including annual MMA College and Career Fair.



Athletics at the Military Magnet Academy...

The athletic department at the Military Magnet is dedicated to providing all student athletes with the opportunity to compete with confidence and the expectation of success with any school sanctioned under the South Carolina High School League. Though small in numbers, our cadet athletes are committed to maximizing their ability and opportunities to showcase their skill and desire to achieve at the highest levels recognized in high school sports. The number of participants continues to increase yearly, and anticipate great growth and development of our sports teams and related programs. This year's highlights includes 2 state qualifying wrestler cadets, Class A Region IV championships both Cross Country and Varsity Girls Basketball. 2021 SCHSL CLASS A GIRLS STATE Basketball CHAMPIONSHIP.

***WE LOOK FORWARD TO ADDITIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIPS IN THE COMING YEARS!***

Fall/ Winter Sports

- Cross Country
- Football
- Volleyball
- Girls/ Boys Basketball
- Wrestling
- Cheerleading
- Marching Band



State Championship

- Varsity Girls Basketball

Region Championships

- Girls Basketball

Region Runner-Up

- Boys Basketball
- Varsity Volleyball

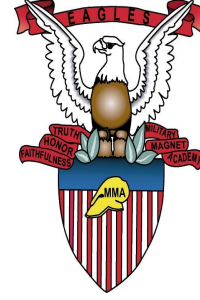


Spring Sports

- Track and Field
- Baseball
- Softball
- Soccer

State Playoff Qualifiers

- Girls/ Boys Basketball
- MMA Volleyball
- Wrestling
- Boy's Cross Country
- MMA Baseball and Softball



Military Magnet Academy

Organizational Data Summary

Student Achievement

Middle School (6 – 8)

The Military Magnet Academy is located in North Charleston, SC and has an enrollment of 446 students in grades 6-12 with 65.8% African American, 29.1% Hispanic, and 1.1% Caucasian. Military Magnet Academy is a Title I school with 84.6% poverty determined by the Community Eligibility Provision. The state testing in ELA, Math, and 6th science resumed in the spring 2021. In comparison to the overall CCSD data, our school has performed slightly lower than the district. However, an analysis of individual student growth reflects more positive outcomes. For Reading, 47% of student in grades 6-8 met their individual growth targets. In math, 55% of the students in grades 6-8 met their individual growth targets. A large number of students are growing ELA and Math skills, but these students still require additional focus for skill development. Grade 8 continues to be a critical grade for proficiency in order to boost the English and Math success for 9th grade. A large number of middle school students compose our "approaching cohort" in both content areas. We will continue to refine strategies to support growth in both Math and Reading, and data-driven decisions will be made to support students through extended day and extended year/summer programming.

High School (9 – 12)

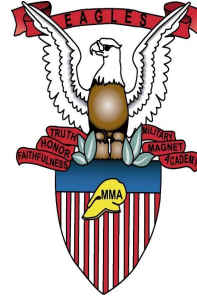
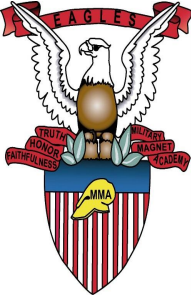
The Military Magnet Academy has grades 6-12. The ACT, SAT, and WIN tests are the indicators of both college and career readiness. For college readiness, we are now analyzing the percent of 3rd-year high school students who score 1020 or higher on the SAT or 20 or greater on the ACT composite score; pass AP classes with a 3 or higher; or earn minimum of 6 credit hours with a C or higher In Dual Enrollment courses. MMA will continue to work to increase the percentage of students meeting the SAT/ACT benchmarks. Our dual enrollment cohort of students have taken over 55 courses with 83.9% earning a C or higher. Our college readiness rating was slightly higher than the state of SC average but lower than the district reporting percentage. We have increased the number of students participating in Internships and national certification programs. The graduation rate continues to be strong with our 2020-2022 class achieving a 97.4% success rate. This outperforms all other CCSD Title-1 schools. To improve the College and Career emphasis, we will focus on proactive supports to students beginning in 9th grade.

Teacher/ Administrator Quality

The Military Magnet's teaching staff brings a variety of cultural experiences and teaching expertise with approximately 9% of teachers having 1-2 years of experience, 36% has 3-10 years of experience, 34% has 11-20 years of experience, and 21% of our teachers over 20 years of experience. The rate of teachers returning to MMA is 84.9% exceeding both the district and state averages. The stability of our faculty is a positive factor as we continue to increase our student performance and improve our overall instructional quality. Additionally, we are working to provide additional professional development opportunities as we focus on addressing the social and emotional needs of our faculty and students.

School Climate

The administrative team and faculty will continue working to increase the positive parental involvement by implementing strategies that help parents feel their voices are heard and the educating of their cadet scholar is a partnership with the ultimate goal that all cadets will be successful. Although any degree of chronic absenteeism is concerning, the Military Magnet Academy rate is 10.1%, the lowest rate of any Title 1 school in CCSD. We will continue to monitor and address potential truancy issues and all school climate factors by implementing strategies that boost family morale and engagement.



Military Magnet Academy School Improvement Council...

MMA SIC Council Members

Parents

Heyward, Jacqueline

Wilkins-Pugh, Kristin

Duggins, Regina (Chairperson)

Kaniya Wiggins – Student

Teachers/Administration

Ancrum, Sara

Vella, Jarrett

Harrison, Patricia

Davis, Sheila

Chazmin Bradley - Student

Appointed Members

Dawson, Joseph

White, Karen

Whack, Shanstacy

Pryor, Teddie

Ex-Officio Members

Perrineau, Jr., Robert – Principal

Singleton, Herbert – Assistant Principal

Taylor, Nathaniel – Administrator

Chairman's Message...

The 2021 - 2022 academic year was a unique one due to the national pandemic the United States experienced. Educators, business partners and community leaders could not be as involved with School Improvement Council matters as they would normally be, but they did manage to support the cadet scholars and teachers during or amended in-person school year.

The School Improvement Council and community leaders applaud the dedication and commitment of SIC members, educators and students in carrying out our mission. It has been the efforts of the SIC that made this past year a success. The future work done by our MMA stakeholders will strengthen relationships with our surrounding neighborhoods and communities.

On behalf of the entire School Improvement Council, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one for their loyal support in help to build our staff and student's relationship with our community leaders. We are looking forward to an exciting 2022-2023 school year.

Ms. Regina Duggins

Chairman, School Improvement Council

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