### **POINTS OF PRIDE**

- Teacher of the Year top 10 finalist, 2013-2014
- Support Employee of the Year, state finalist, 2012-13
- Florida Band Association- Jazz Band Superior Rating Concert Band Excellent Rating
- Florida Orchestra Association- Excellent rating
- Winter Guard Third in Cadet Novice, 2013
- Student produced yearbook.
- Award winning Jazz Band

### **HOW TO APPLY**

This is an area application program and is available to students who live in the middle school north and mid county application areas. Please check the district website at *www.pcsb.org* for more information. There are entrance criteria to apply to this magnet school.

Applicants will be determined eligible based upon

- 1. Standardized achievement test scores
- 2. Grade point average

### **TRANSPORTATION**

Arterial bus transportation (buses that operate on main roads with a limited number of stops) is provided to students who live within the application area and more than two miles from the school. Magnet bus stop locations may require that parents drive their children to and from the stop.





### **OUR MISSION**

Largo Middle School strives to inspire students to be internationally minded, critical thinkers, and responsible global citizens who have a passion for lifelong learning and service.



### Largo Middle School International Studies

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**Mission:** "Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life."

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### **MAGNET SCHOOLS & PROGRAMS**

### LOOK•EXPLORE•DISCOVER

# look explore discover

### **ABOUT US**

Largo Middle School's international studies programme includes advanced and rigorous course work while encouraging students to become critical, reflective thinkers and creative problem-solvers. Within the international framework and philosophy students develop an intercultural understanding by exploring real world issues and how these events affect them and the world globally while simultaneously learning the Florida standards. Using the inquiry framework students learn and develop skills that will promote success in a 21st century global environment and foster a sense of caring and community service.

## areas of study INTERDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMME OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Largo Middle School's program provides an intellectually challenging environment that encourages students to become critical and reflective thinkers in preparation for success in college, careers and citizenship in the 21st century global environment. The international studies programme is designed to help middle school students find a sense of belonging in a changing and increasingly interrelated world around them and to foster a positive attitude toward learning.

### Largo Middle School's Course Work

Reading: Language &	Grade 6 Advanced, or Gifted
Literature:	Grade 6 Advanced
	Grade 7 Advanced Grade 8 English I Honors
Sciences:	Grade 6 Accelerated
	Grade 7 Accelerated
	Grade 8 Integrated Science Honors
Individuals	
& Societies:	Grade 6 U.S. History
	Grade 7 Civics
	Grade 8 U.S. History/World History
Mathematics:	Grade 6 Accelerated, Advanced
	Grade 7 Accelerated, Advanced
	Grade 8 Algebra I Honors OR
	Grade 8 Geometry Honors
Language	
Acquisition:	Grade 6 Beginning French or Beginnin Spanish (yearlong)

Grade 6 Beginning French or Beginning Spanish (yearlong) Grade 7 French 1 or Spanish 1 (yearlong) Grade 8 French I or II (yearlong) Grade 8 Spanish I or II (yearlong)

#### Electives: Chorus, Orchestra, Jazz Band, Percussion, Guitar, STEM, Drama, Photography,

Guitar, STEM, Drama, Photography, Peer Counseling (leadership building), Music Technology, AVID, Computer Ed. Classes, Physical Education/Health

Subject groups are integrated through the global contexts that provide a framework for learning within and across the subjects. The interdisciplinary nature of this international curriculum helps students build a strong foundation for responsibility and citizenship at the national and global level, encouraging reflective practice that inspires active and responsible participation in their communities.

Our interdisciplinary approach emphasizes connections between traditional subjects and the real world. This provides opportunities for individual and collaborative planning and research among students and teachers alike, guiding students to monitor and direct their own learning through effective decision making, goal setting and time management. Throughout the coursework students are challenged to solve problems through critical thinking and reasoning skills, show creativity and resourcefulness, and value the importance of lifelong learning.



## Largo Middle International Studies

## what is a magnet

Magnet programs focus on a certain theme with specialized curriculum in areas such as arts, communication, science and technology, and gifted studies. Some programs have eligibility requirements. Students living anywhere in the county may apply.



### **HIGHLIGHTS**

At the heart of the International program are the building blocks of international- mindedness, the ten IB Learner Profile attributes. Students have the opportunity to participate in the below programs while participating in the International Studies magnet:

- Advanced Academics services, for those qualifying
- Extended learning opportunities
- Digital graphics and creative photography
- French and Spanish
- Orchestra, Band, Chorus, Jazz band, Keyboarding, and guitar
- Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)
- College for Every Student School
- STEM classes
- ESOL
- Variety of clubs including National Junior Honor Society, 4H, Student Council, Multicultural club
- Parent workshops
- Student produced newspaper and yearbook
- School teams—volleyball, basketball, track and cheerleading
- International Extravaganza (international fair)