Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School



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Inclusion Policy

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School, in conjunction with Montgomery County Public Schools, is committed to providing a "free appropriate public education" to all students. Students with intellectual, physical, behavioral or emotional disabilities are evaluated to determine eligibility for the development of an Individualized Education Program (IEP) with appropriate services, and re-evaluation as outlined and required by the *Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act* of 2004 (IDEA). All decisions regarding the placement of students with a disability will be made by an IEP team in collaboration with parents/guardians consistent with the requirement of the *Federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*.

Services, at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School, are provided based upon the individual needs of the student as outlined in the IEP, regardless of a student's placement in the International Baccalaureate Program. Therefore, all special education students who enroll in an IB World School Middle Years Programme, are afforded the same levels of support as all special education students attending Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School. The following are illustrative examples of services that students may access depending upon their own IEP.

- Adapted instructional materials and/or presentation (large print, audio assistance, etc.)
- Modified assessments
- Additional support for study skills, social skills, or academic achievement through the Related Studies Classes and Resource Classes
- Transition goals and related services to ensure that students are equipped for higher education and employment opportunities, as well as other types of community engagement post-high school

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School provides for the needs of special education students through the intense cooperation of faculty. Students identified as needing special services are assigned a case manager who ensures that the student's IEP is understood and followed by all classroom teachers. This case manager is also responsible for following all of the necessary steps in creating, implementing, and revising a student's IEP so that the document continues to outline appropriate goals, services, and accommodations for the student.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School follows all federal and state regulations and requirements for implementing, providing, and monitoring services for students with disabilities. For more information on Montgomery County Public Schools Special Education Services please visit: https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/special-education/.

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