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# Fountaindale Elementary Magnet Program for the Arts and Academic Excellence

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## **Program Description:**

Fountaindale magnet students learn to “create, collaborate, and challenge the status quo” as they build individual strengths and talents, working through the curriculum at an accelerated pace that is one to two years above grade level. Students frequently engage in vertical learning experiences, allowing them to collaborate with peers based on common interests and abilities. Students create meaning as they explore the arts through individual experiences and learning processes, including visual arts, movement, and music, making connections to broaden and enhance their understanding of academic content and concepts.

Our school’s on campus Outdoor Learning Lab allows S.T.E.A.M. to come to life. Fountaindale students collaborate and challenge the status quo by participating in community based problem solving activities including S.T.E.A.M instruction, integrating science, technology, engineering, the arts, and mathematics.

## **Fast Facts:**

1. Recognized by MSDE as an Excellence in Gifted and Talented Education School
2. Only on-campus, wetlands focused, Outdoor Learning Lab in the county, integrating civic and science learning in an award-winning, student-designed environment (2015 TAWES Environmental Award recipient)
3. Only elementary school with full time teachers in instrumental music and dance
4. Students in grades 4 and 5 have the opportunity to participate in the county’s only elementary show choir
5. After school academies vary from year to year based on student interests and have included guitar, sign language, basketball, running club and LEGO robotics

**Application Deadline:** February 1, 2020