



# JOIN THE FUN! SIGN UP NOW!

## Enrichment Seminars

Thank you for your interest in participating in G/T Enrichment Seminars! Enrichment Seminars are an exciting opportunity open to **ALL** students and are designed to explore high-interest areas in-depth. Seminars are offered once a week during regularly scheduled classes and rotate so that students will not miss more than two class periods for any class during a quarter. It is the responsibility of the student to check-in with the teacher before and after coming to seminar so that they can receive any instructions and/or assignments they missed while attending seminar. Students must maintain a grade of C or above in content courses to participate. It is recommended that students participate in no more than TWO seminars at a time. If a student is in Orchestra or Band Sectionals, only two seminars are allowed.

Please have your parent/guardian initial on the line next to each seminar in which you wish to participate. Also, please prioritize your choices by placing a 1 next to your first choice and so on.

\_\_\_ **Television Production (Sept-June weekly during school and tutorial as needed)**

Students create a daily television broadcast using advanced-level journalism and technology skills. Open to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders

\_\_\_ **Middle School Book Club (Participants meet once a month in school, and there is an optional once a month countywide meeting in the evening at the east Columbia Branch or Howard County Library-Miller Branch).**

Book Club participants meet for a thought-provoking discussion of high-quality literature across various genres.

\_\_\_ **Environmental Awareness (Green Team) Participants meet at least twice a month during the school day, less in winter**

Participants develop their interest in the environment, help school recycling and energy conservations efforts, and promote awareness of environmental issues in the school and community. Goals: Green School Certification, Monarch Weigh Station Certification, garden expansion and publication of our plant field guide.

\_\_\_ **STEM Club (October-May)**

Using the LittleBits robotics kits and other equipment, students have the opportunity to develop skills in designing to problem solve

\_\_\_ **Debate (September - April)**

Novice and advanced debaters learn the policy debate process as they develop skills in persuasion, argument development, research of contemporary issues, and public speaking.

\_\_\_ **Film Institute (November - May)**

Explore the world of film production by delving into your creative side to create original products that showcase your storytelling, persuasiveness, and sharing of information.

\_\_\_ **African American History and Leaders (January-May)**

What makes a leader? What kind of leader are you? What are your strengths? What would you like to improve? Every student has untapped leadership potential. Come learn how your leadership skills can be discovered, developed, and utilized in order to become leaders in your school, the community, and the world.

\_\_\_ **Shakespeare (September-May)**

Are you an actor/actress? Are you a fan of the Bard? Do you have a flair for the dramatic? Come and see what Shakespeare had to say on many topics and lend your own slant as you deliver mini-scenes in front of your friends as you prepare for the Shakespeare Festival.

\_\_\_ **Entomology (March - May)**

Want to learn more about bugs? Want to raise some for release? Participants will be doing research on bugs and how they live. Ultimately raising a variety of bugs for release. Come explore with us! Limited to 6<sup>th</sup> graders only.

\_\_\_ **Photography and Photojournalism (February - May)**

Novice and advanced photographers are invited to enhance their skills, explore photography as an art form, and learn how pictures can tell a story and even change the world!

Printed Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade/Homeroom teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return entire signed form to room 212 no later than September 20.*