



***FESTIVAL FOOTHILLS***  
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Festival Foothills Parents & Guardians,

Last year, Festival Foothills Elementary implemented a new program for students in 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades. The Middle School Digital Honors/Acceleration Program is available for students in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2014-2015 school year. This program is designed to benefit students who seek acceleration and/or the challenge of an honors class, and who enjoy working independently. There are two levels of participation in this program. Students can either take all Core Classes (English, Math, Science, and Social Studies) online working independently in our school library, or they may choose only to take a World Language Class online in place of their Learning Center time.

Please find attached an application for enrollment in the Middle School Digital Honors/Acceleration Program. Copies can be made for more than one child.

Program requirements include:

- At Grade Level (Meets or Exceeds) in all core subject areas as measured by the state AIMS Test
- Exceeds in at least one core subject as measured by the state AIMS Test (or equivalent assessment)
- Have and maintain a "B" grade or higher in all coursework
- Ability to work independently and a desire to achieve a higher level of rigor in your school work
- Program enrollment will be by semester. A semester long commitment is required.
- All Core Classes would be taken online, with the exception of Specials classes like Art, Music, PE, and Tech, unless choosing just the world language option.

If you would like your child to be considered for enrollment in the Middle School Digital Honors/Acceleration Program, please fill out the attached application and return it to the Festival Foothills School office. Please contact me at [chstrauss@wickenburg.k12.az.us](mailto:chstrauss@wickenburg.k12.az.us) or at 928-501-6005 with any questions.

Thank you,

Christina Strauss  
Principal

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