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OUR MISSION

CHAMPS educates, guides, and inspires creative and critical thinking through artistic experience.

OUR PHILOSOPHY

CHAMPS Charter High School of the Arts is an independent public charter high school offering small, arts-infused academic classes including honors and Advanced Placement, as well as specialized academies. Since our founding in 2004, CHAMPS' core values have remained the same. We believe that an arts-infused approach enables students to find their voice in all disciplines, and that creativity promotes powerful and lasting educational experiences in preparation for life. At CHAMPS, creativity and the arts are at the center of our strong and inclusive school community.

OUR ACADEMIES

CHAMPS' **DANCE** Academy strongly emphasizes and nurtures the artistry in each young dancer, encouraging them to find an authentic and expressive voice through movement and dance. Our physical training is grounded in Modern Dance and Classical Ballet, with minors offered in Contemporary, Jazz and Tap.

DIGITAL MEDIA ARTS is a specialized training program for any student interested in creative expression through digital photography, design, and short video production. Founded on visual arts theory, students utilize modern digital tools, while exploring and building the groundwork for a career in this expanding field. Students in the advanced class, have the opportunity to earn their Adobe Associate Certification in Visual Design, an entry-level professional certification.

DIGITAL CINEMA is designed to deepen cinematic knowledge and promote the exploration of visual storytelling. Students learn the various aspects of the pre-production, production, and post-production process through hands-on application combined with theory, history, and analysis.

The **LIBERAL ARTS** Academy focuses on the humanities and includes coursework such as sociology, psychology, anthropology and criminology. Students immerse themselves in myriad learning opportunities, both in and out of the classroom.





The **MUSIC** Academy immerses and challenges students in instrumental music, music theory, piano, and vocal technique. Performance opportunities include Concert Choir, Percussion Ensemble, and Jazz Band.

In **ROBOTICS**, students engage in inquiry-based investigations that teach lessons in designing, building and programming robots. Students develop leadership, teamwork and project management skills that prepare them for the future work force and apply them more effectively to the VEX platform by competing in the world wide VEX competition. Additionally, students begin to teach other students how to program robots and participate in the VEX community.

The **WRITTEN ARTS** Academy provides an opportunity for students with both the inclination and ability to express themselves creatively a chance to do so in a variety of formats and genres, all focused on the ultimate goal of creating polished and publishable work representative of the clarity and insights gained through exploration of the writing process.



The **THEATRE** Academy explores voice & diction, movement, dance, theatre history, play-writing, directing, and of course, acting (from an array of approaches). Ensemble work is emphasized, as is individual specificity. Various play productions and presentations offer invaluable experience both in theatre tech. and performance.

ATHLETICS include Basketball, Cross Country, Flag Football, and Volleyball.



INDEPENDENT STUDY

This program provides the non-traditional student an opportunity for a comprehensive high school education. We offer core academics specially tailored to the individual with the ultimate goal of preparing each student for success beyond high school.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

AP Art History
 AP Calculus
 AP Environmental Sciences
 AP Human Geography
 AP Language and Composition
 AP English Literature and Composition
 AP European History
 AP French
 AP Government & Politics
 AP Italian
 AP Microeconomics
 AP Psychology
 AP Spanish
 AP Statistics
 AP Studio Art
 AP US History

COLLEGE BOUND

The college bound philosophy at CHAMPS is to get to know our students as individuals. We work with the student and their family to determine an ideal academic and financial fit. CHAMPS graduates have gained entrance into some of the most prestigious Colleges and Universities in the nation, including:

Boston Conservatory • Brown University • Berklee College of Music • Biola University
 California Institute of Technology • Columbia University • Cornell University
 Duke University • Loyola Marymount University • New York University
 Northwestern University • Savannah College of Art and Design • Stanford University
 Syracuse University • Tufts University • Tulane University • University of California -Berkeley
 University of California - UCLA • University of Connecticut • University of Kansas
 University of Oregon • University of Pennsylvania • University of Southern California
 University of Washington • Worcester Polytechnic Institute • Yale University

HIGHLIGHTS

- Full 6-yr WASC Accreditation through 2022
- Vex International Robotics World Champions - 2009 & 2014
- Adobe Certified Associate training in photography and graphic design
- 97% of our students attend colleges and universities after graduating from CHAMPS
- U.S. News and World Report - Best High Schools in America, Silver Medalist
- Theatre, dance, and music students perform in professional venues throughout Los Angeles.
- Incredibly dedicated faculty and staff who care about each student and strive to help them achieve their goals.

