

BOCA RATON COMMUNITY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Pre-Medical Academy



For almost two decades, Boca Raton Community Middle School has had the privilege of introducing hundreds of bright young students to the healthcare field. Here are some of the most commonly asked questions about our program:

OPEN HOUSE Thurs., Nov. 30

5:30 pm tours 6:30 pm presentation

What will I learn in the Pre-Medical Academy?

Pre-Medical Academy students take a medical elective each year, to explore health care occupations and human anatomy.

- 6th grade topics: safety, responsibility, history of medicine, intro. to careers, mental health, wellness, veterinary medicine
- 7th grade topics: anatomy and related careers, intro to first aid & CPR
- 8th grade topics: CPR certification, medical careers & skills, 20 hours virtual job-shadowing (earns high school credit)

Students in the Pre-Medical Academy also have the opportunity to take accelerated science. The accelerated science class covers concepts at a faster pace so students complete 6th, 7th, and 8th grade science classes by the end of 7th grade and take Environmental Management for high school credit while in 8th grade. The pacing of these courses makes them more rigorous than gifted and advanced science courses.

Are there any requirements to apply for a middle school Pre-Medical Program? While there are no requirements to apply, students need to have strong academic habits and organizational skills. It is recommended that students be at or above grade level (FAST Level 3) in reading and science as students will be working with content and instructional resources above their grade-level.

How can my student apply and participate in the Pre-Medical Academy? Interested students MUST apply through the school district, even if Boca Middle is the student's 'home school.' A lottery is conducted by the school district to assign applicants to the available number of seats.

Applications are due to the district by **January 26, 2024 for the 2024-2025 school year.** Applications are available at:

https://www.palmbeachschools.org/students_parents/school_choice_programs







What levels of instruction are offered at BRCMS?

BRCMS offers Cambridge AICE / gifted, advanced, and regular-level courses in math, science, social studies, and language arts to meet the needs of our diverse learners.

High school credit courses are also available for students prepared to accelerate in the following areas: Spanish I, Spanish II, Algebra I Honors, Geometry Honors, Environmental Management, Medical Skills and Services, and Computer Fundamentals (with industry certification).





Boca Middle is the ONLY school in Palm Beach County with the newest technology in Virtual/Augmented Reality in a 22 person laptop computer lab. In this new Cobra XR Mixed Reality Lab, students can virtually dissect plant and animal species while it floats in 3D in front of them.

What else should I know about Boca Middle?

Hours: 9:30 am – 4:05 pm, student drop-off begins at 9:00 am, morning and afterschool care available

Sports: Baseball, Softball, Basketball, Soccer, Track & Field, Volleyball

Intramural Activities: Dance, Cheerleading, Swim/Dive, Flag Football, Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball Clubs/Organizations (tentative list): HOSA Future Health Professionals, National Junior Honor Society, Yearbook, Chess Club, Newspaper Club, First Priority, Garden Club, Imagination Games, Cooking Club, eSports, Robotics Competition Team, Debate Team

Dress Code: Students wear ID badges and follow the school-wide dress code, which includes school-sponsored T-shirts or a polo-style shirt with pants, jeans, sweatpants, shorts, or skorts of conservative material and fit, in a solid color. Pre-Medical Academy students wear BRCMS medical scrubs once a week. **Transportation:** Bus stops can be found on the school district transportation webpage, using the student's home address. Parents must provide transportation to/from the nearest stop.

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