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## Faith Middle School Facts

Current Enrollment: 630 students in grades 6, 7 & 8

Staff: 80

Teachers: 57

Support staff: 20

Administrators: 3

Elective course offerings: AVID, Physical Education, Health, Art, Chinese, Spanish, Applied Technology, Computer Applications, Drama, Band, Video Productions, Gifted Education, Yearbook

96% of students are US Army dependents

10% receive Special Education services

5% receive English as a Second Language services

Faith Middle School is the only Department of Defense Education Activity Middle School with a full interscholastic athletic program: Soccer, Cross-country, Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Track, and Baseball

Clubs and Activities: National Junior Honor Society, Drama, Chess, Robotics Student Council, Cheerleading, Art, Science, Band, Yearbook, Band Percussion

Academic Support: Saturday School, Homework Help, Algebra Help, Math Support

### How do DoDEA's students compare to students nationally?

On the 2011 Nation's Report Card DoDEA Schools National Rankings on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) showed that DoDEA Schools scored significantly above the national averages:

In Reading only one state, Massachusetts, scored higher than DoDEA 8<sup>th</sup> grade students

In Math only 9 states scored higher than DoDEA 8<sup>th</sup> grade students

In Science only two states scored higher than DoDEA 8<sup>th</sup> grade students

In Writing on the 2007 NAEP (the last year results are available) only two states scored higher

### How do Faith Middle school students compare nationally?

On the 2011 Terra Nova test nearly  $\frac{3}{4}$  of Faith students scored At or Above Standards. Overall Faith students scored 18% points over the national average of 50%. <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard>

### How is DoDEA's Curriculum designed and what makes it good?

To create a world-class education system, DoDEA has developed rigorous and demanding curriculum standards. The curriculum standards specify what students should know and be able to do. DoDEA curriculum standards are based on the content standards produced by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, the National Council of Teachers of English/the International Reading Association, the National Research Council's National Science Education Standards and the National Council for Teachers of Social Studies. <http://www.dodea.edu/Curriculum/parentGuides.cfm>

### Pilot Program for DoDEA: 1to1 Laptop computers

Faith is the only Middle School in the states where every student is issued a laptop computer for the year

### AVID Advancement Via Individual Determination Program



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An international program with the mission to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society  
Monthly college visitations  
Academic instruction in writing, note taking, study habits, organization, test taking and agenda journaling  
Academic support from trained tutors

#### **Video Productions**

An award winning program that runs the Warrior Bear Network  
Produces and broadcasts Warrior Bear News  
Tracks Santa for NORAD and all America's Kids  
In the top 25 Of 500 anti-bullying videos nationally and in the running for First Place

#### **PIE Partners In Education**

Emergency Services directorate  
Upcoming partnership with the 1<sup>st</sup> of the 50<sup>th</sup>

#### **Resiliency Training for All 8<sup>th</sup> Graders**

6 sessions provided by Comprehensive Soldier Fitness to provide skills for High School and life

**Tough 2 Talk monthly programs** to facilitate dialogue between students and parents on sensitive issues

**Peer Mediation program** to help students solve conflicts

**Coffee With The Principal** monthly meetings

#### **Boy's Town Positive Behavior Program**

Social Skills  
Positive reinforcement

#### **Theme based Character Development**

December is Anti-Bullying Month

**Almost 300 students on the all A or A-B Honor Roll for the Fall Quarter**