The Governor’s School @ Innovation Park

A STEM Initiative
(Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics)
in Collaboration with George Mason University
Joint Board

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- Dr. Thomas H. DeBolt – Vice-Chair of Superintendents’ Committee
  Manassas Park City Public Schools
Administrative Structure

- Governor’s School Director (PWCS employee; Mason Affiliate)
  - Karen Dalfrey, Ph.D.
- 4.5 FTE Governor’s School Teachers (PWCS employees; Mason Affiliates)
- George Mason Administrative Coordinator
- Advisory Committees to support industry, business, community, university support for internship and mentorship components of program
- Fiscal Agent – Prince William County
Student Selection

- Application process developed with representation from each school division
- Selection expectations established by team with representation from each school division with Mason involvement for dual enrollment criteria
- Number of juniors from each school division 2010-11
  - City of Manassas – 8 students
  - City of Manassas Park – 5 students
  - Prince William County – 51 students
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Program of Study

- Focus on Earth and its environment
- Three strand approach to study based on science program
  - Environmental Biology
  - Environmental Chemistry
  - Environmental Physics
- Mathematics courses support the inquiry-based program
- Engineering and technology integrated into course work
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- Opportunity in junior and senior years for dual enrollment courses offering high school and George Mason credit (up to 32 credit hours)
  - Most math course college credits funded by the School Division
  - Optional Governor’s School science course credits funded by student, parents, or through fee waiver
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Student Schedule

- Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Governor’s School Courses
- Monday, Wednesday, Friday
  - Science/Mathematics 105 minutes
  - Break
  - Mathematics/Science 105 minutes
- Tuesday, Thursday
  - Research Application Integration / Mentorship
Financial Forecast

- Start-up costs funded by school divisions for FY 2009-10
- Currently operating on a budget based on enrollment of 64 students
- Second year projected enrollment to double at minimum
Facilities and Campus Life
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