

## At MLC, students will find...

- A caring and committed faculty
- An IB education, from start to finish
- Global contexts and concepts that frame every class, every year
- College visits beginning in 6th grade
- International field studies beginning in 8th grade

## Which will empower them to...

- Be engaged citizens of their worlds: school, local, national, international
- Be changemakers in their communities — in ways that matter to them
- Inquire about and understand the world through many perspectives

## Academics—A Concept-Based Approach to Learning



**Our students... expect diversity to be the norm, engage in a non-judgmental world view and value academics.** —  
*Andrea L., MLC parent*

As an IB World School, CREC's Metropolitan Learning Center is committed to providing a rigorous, internationally-regarded academic program that prepares students for college and career in a global economy. Units of study are grounded in global concepts that challenge students to learn by keeping the world in mind. It also challenges students to delve more deeply by applying what they learn to real-world situations.

### Typical Units of Study:

- Matter and Energy in Ecosystems (6<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Economics and Interdependence (6<sup>th</sup> grade)
- The Middle East: Foreign Involvement (7<sup>th</sup> grade)
- How to Eat a Poem (7<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Heredity and Evolution (8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Are You Ready for an Adventure? (8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Molecular Genetics (9<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Voices of Protest: Speaking Up, Speaking Out (10<sup>th</sup> grade)
- The Cold War: Superpowers and Tensions (11<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Ways of Knowing (11<sup>th</sup> grade)
- The Language of "Others" & "Otherness" (12<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Exercise Physiology (11<sup>th</sup> /12<sup>th</sup> grade)

## College — By the Numbers

The class of 2017 was the first class to graduate from the IB Diploma Program at MLC. We have 100% participation in DP classes, gr. 11 & 12, which means every student can earn:

- Up to a full year of college credits
- Up to \$40,000 (or more) in tuition savings

### Notable College Acceptances, 2014-2017

* American University	* Spelman College
* Amherst College	* Syracuse University
* Boston University	* Temple University
* Brigham Young Univ.	* Tufts University
* Carnegie Mellon	* Tulane University
* Columbia University	* UCONN
* Fordham University	* UMass—Amherst
* Harvard University	* UNC – Chapel Hill
* Howard University	* University of Miami
* Mt. Holyoke College	* University of Pennsylvania
* Northeastern University	* Wesleyan University
* Skidmore College	* Yale University

## International Field Studies

In the last five years, MLC students have traveled to:

*Ecuador and Galapagos Islands \* Spain \* Italy \* China \*  
South Africa \* England \* Dominican Republic \* Canada \*  
France \* Iceland \* Costa Rica \* Germany \* Cuba*

In the last five years, MLC has hosted exchange students and visitors from:

*Brazil \* China \* Germany \* South Korea \* Jamaica \*  
Indonesia \* Japan \* Norway \* Thailand \* South Africa*

**"When you see an entire nation living with a sense of wonder and respect for their environment, it changes the way you look at the world."**

— *Adriana C., MLC Class of 2016, reflecting on the Iceland field study*