

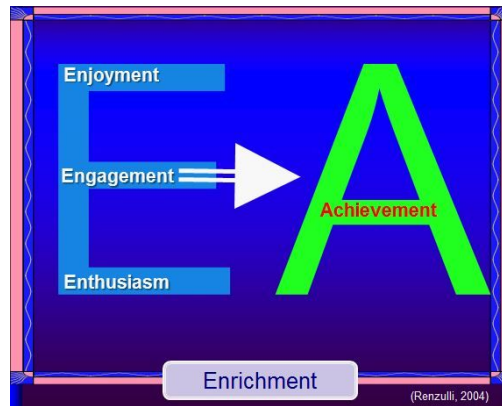
*The Gifted & Talented Academy* at Cramerton Middle School provides a challenging learning environment designed to nurture Academically and Intellectually Gifted (AIG) students who demonstrate academic excellence by embracing their multiple intelligences. *The Gifted & Talented Academy* empowers middle school AIG students by encouraging them to interact with their intellectual peers in academic, creative, aesthetic, and social endeavors supported by highly qualified teachers certified in gifted education.

*The Gifted & Talented Academy* provides an accelerated learning environment for students with a focus on meaningful discussion, problem-solving, leadership, hands-on experiences, and personalized small-group interaction. Academic success is attained through multiple paths, including the use of *Paideia* active learning principles. *Paideia* fosters critical thinking and creativity through Socratic seminars, coached projects, and curriculum mastery. Students use the *Paideia* principles in the classrooms and throughout the school environment to enrich their learning and the school community.



Cramerton Middle School also utilizes the *Schoolwide Enrichment Model (SEM)* to offer a broad range of advanced level enrichment experiences which accentuate the gifts and talents of our entire student population based on their unique interests. Students are motivated to foster their own creativity by exploring

their interests through interactive and engaging opportunities for talent development.



AIG students in *The Gifted & Talented Academy* are grouped together by their core content classes which include Math, Science, English Language Arts, and Social Studies so they can experience teaching and learning at their advanced ability level; however, they are not isolated in a particular section of the school as Cramerton Middle School adopts a whole-school approach to education. Students have daily interaction with other peers in the entire school throughout the year as they attend elective Encore classes, enrichment, lunch, and extracurricular activities together.