



February 12, 2016

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Beginning February 12, 2016, we will accept applications for Dearington Elementary School for Innovation for the **2016-2017** school year. Students entering kindergarten for the first time and students currently enrolled in grades K-4 are eligible to apply. **Students entering kindergarten must be five years old on or before September 30, 2016.** All applications will be reviewed by a selection committee and students will be scored on academic achievement, behavior and stated interest in the program.

Dearington Elementary School for Innovation will provide students with a variety of innovative and challenging instructional experiences which employ the latest trends in educational technology and instructional methodologies. Dearington Elementary School for Innovation will offer instructional activities in Spanish, leadership, entrepreneurship, science, technology, engineering, and math. Moreover, the program will also continue to

- drive division-wide changes in curriculum and instructional methodologies;
- explore alternate methods of student assessment;
- stress creativity and developmentally appropriate practices in all grades;
- integrate curriculum offerings;
- emphasize the use of instructional technology; and
- expand hands-on math and science experiences.

There is an Open House at Dearington Elementary School for Innovation located at 210 Smyth Street on Friday, March 4, 2016 from 1:00-4:00PM.

We encourage all eligible students to consider applying for enrollment in Dearington Elementary School for Innovation. If you reside in the student attendance zone for Dearington Elementary School for Innovation, your child will automatically be assigned. **If you do not live in the Dearington attendance zone and you wish to apply for this program, please complete the application on the reverse side and return the completed application to the department of information technology at the School Administration Building by 4:30PM on March 18, 2016.**

We have a comprehensive array of special education services at the schools for innovation. Some special education services are so unique, however, that they are available only through division-wide programs housed at specific schools. We will review each child's Individualized Education Plan (IEP) to determine whether we can implement the IEP at one of the elementary schools for innovation.

Should you have further questions or need additional school information, please contact Dearington Elementary School for Innovation at 434-515-5220. You may also contact me at 434-515-5070.

Sincerely,

Scott S. Brabrand, Ed.D.
Superintendent

**STUDENT APPLICATION FOR 2016-2017
 DEARINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR INNOVATION**

Name of Student _____
 (Please Print) Last First Middle

Address _____
 Street Address Apt. #

_____ City State Zip

Parent/Guardian _____ **Telephone Number** _____

Is the student presently attending the Lynchburg City Schools?

☐ **Yes** **Name of School** _____ **Grade** _____

☐ **No** **Please complete the following information:**

Birthdate _____ **Sex** _____ **Grade** _____
 Month Day Year

Name of the school the child is currently attending _____

Will the child be entering Kindergarten in Fall 2016? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If no, what grade will the child enter for the 2016-2017 school year? **Grade** _____

Did your child attend a pre-school program ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** **If yes, where** _____

List any siblings who are attending or have attended Dearington. _____

Our family has an interest in the following innovations for our child: (check all that apply)

NOTE: This statement will be scored based on interest in the academic programs.

☐ **Leadership** ☐ **Spanish** ☐ **Entrepreneurship** ☐ **Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math (STEM)**

I want my child to attend Dearington because _____

Parent/Guardian - Please Note:

Completion and receipt of the application ensures that the student will be considered for selection, but does not guarantee placement at Dearington Elementary School for Innovation. **Applications must be received at the School Administration Building in the department of information technology by 4:30PM on March 18, 2016.**

I certify that the information given on this application is accurate. I understand that any misstatement of facts will disqualify the student from becoming a candidate for selection to Dearington Elementary School for Innovation. I understand that, if selected, should my child continuously reside within Lynchburg City, he/she will be assigned to Dearington Elementary Schools for Innovation until he/she progresses to middle school.

Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____

Student academic and behavior records and interest statements will be reviewed to determine eligibility.

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DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED:		MINIMUM SCORE: 5		PRIORITY: Y N	
Interest: /3	Discipline: /2	Academic Standing: /2	Sibling: /1	TOTAL:	