



LYNCHBURG CITY SCHOOLS

February 16, 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Beginning February 16, 2018, we will accept applications for Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle School for Innovation (PLDMSFI) for the **2018-2019** school year. PLDMSFI will provide students with a variety of innovative, exciting, and challenging instructional experiences which employ the latest trends in educational technology and instructional methodologies. Students attending Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle School for Innovation will also have the opportunity to participate in additional instructional activities such as, drama, marine science, herpetology, foreign language, television studio, science, technology, engineering, and math. Moreover, the programs will 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;
- expand hands-on math and science experiences; and
- offer a wide variety of foreign language and performing arts activities.

The Evening of Innovation at PLDMSFI located at 12th & Polk Streets will be held on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 6:30-7:30 PM.

We encourage all eligible students to consider applying for enrollment at PLDMSFI. If you reside in the student attendance zone for PLDMSFI, your child will automatically be assigned. **If you do not live in this student attendance zone and you wish to apply, 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 16, 2018. Please do not return applications to the school. They must be mailed or brought to the School Administration Building 915 Court St., Lynchburg, VA 24504.**

Each application will be reviewed by a selection committee. Student academic, attendance, and discipline records will be a part of the review process along with the interest statement.

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 PLDMSFI.

Should you have further questions or need additional school information, please contact Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle School for Innovation at 434- 515-5310. You may also contact me at 434-515-5070.

Sincerely,

Larry A. Massie, Ed.D.
Acting Superintendent

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STUDENT APPLICATION FOR 2018-2019
PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR MIDDLE 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:
Name of the school the child is currently attending _____
Birthdate _____ **Sex** _____ **Grade** _____
 Month Day Year
Will the child be entering 6th grade in Fall 2018? **Yes** **No**
If no, what grade will the child enter for the 2018-2019 school year? Grade _____
List any siblings who are currently attending or have attended Dunbar.
Name _____ **Grade** _____
Is another sibling currently applying to Dunbar? Name _____ Grade _____

Student's statement: I want to attend Paul Laurence Dunbar 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 Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle School for Innovation. **Applications must be received at the School Administration Building in the department of information technology by 4:30PM on March 16, 2018.** Mail must be postmarked by this date in order to be processed.
 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 Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle School for Innovation. I understand that, if selected, should my child continuously reside within Lynchburg City, he/she will remain at Paul Laurence Dunbar School for Innovation until he/she progresses to high school. I also understand the academic programs offered at this school.
Parent Signature _____ **Date** _____
Student academic, behavior and SOL records and interest statements will be reviewed to determine eligibility.

DO NOT WRITE IN SPACE BELOW – CENTRAL OFFICE USE ONLY:					
DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED:	MINIMUM SCORE: 7		PRIORITY: Y N		
Interest: /2	Grades: /2	Discipline: /2	SOL R: /2	SOL M: /2	
Sibling: /1	Focus Prog: /1	TOTAL:			