



Thank you for your interest in Wellington for your child. In the Wellington Middle School, each child is deeply known. Early adolescents are provided with space to develop their growing independence with a safety net of caring faculty. Students develop their voice in literal and figurative ways.

There are a myriad of unique educational opportunities built upon a strong academic foundation. We encourage a range of exploratory experiences that allow students to pursue areas of interest and passion that help them flourish. Differentiation in learning can be found in all courses, and students have a choice of deep dive elective courses, musical pursuits, athletics, student leadership, affinity groups, and a variety of clubs and programs.

Intellectual, social, emotional, and academic growth are all valued as critical components of the development. Through our advisory model, one advisor creates space to nurture social and emotional growth for approximately ten students in the same advisory group. The purpose of advisory is to create a sense of community and belonging while also promoting self-discovery. The advisory program is structured around several pillars, including diversity, equity, and justice; learning traits and study skills; character development; and cultural competency. The advisor also acts as a liaison between home and school.

We embrace the opportunity to help each student be responsive to the demands of an increasingly diverse and global society with unimaginable challenges, responsibilities, and opportunities. Our goal is for students to advance beyond middle school with a broader cultural outlook and confidence in their ability to overcome whatever challenges come their way.

We invite you to learn more about how we address the various phases of early adolescent growth and development. Together, the Wellington admissions team and I can answer all of your questions. You may also read about grade level offerings, expectations, and curriculum overviews in the Middle School Program Book available [here](#).

Feel free to email me with your questions! I look forward to talking to you and to meeting you virtually or in person.

Kind regards,

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