## **Admissions Policy**

Antietam ES, 2020-2021



## **Practice**

Antietam Elementary is considered a "specialty school" as part of the Prince William County Public school district in Virginia. All the children that attend Antietam Elementary as determined by the boundaries set forth by Prince William County participate in our IB PYP program. There are other PWCS elementary schools that are considered feeder schools to Antietam Elementary's specialty program; there are 25 other elementary schools that are not considered feeder schools but are still allowed to apply to our program.

The application packet is created by the specialty school department at our county. The portion of the application that is reviewed by the coordinator and principal that determines acceptance in the program is the report card. The academic grades, work habits grade, conduct grade and teacher comments are carefully reviewed. If a parent of a student that has not been accepted would like to challenge that, they are able to discuss their concerns with the principal, since the principal has the ultimate decision-making responsibility.

We have 4 self-contained special education programs that participate in the PYP within the context of the grade level classes that they are included in during their required inclusion time. Self-contained special education teachers do not develop their own planners.

## **Policy Review**

This policy will be shared at the beginning of every year with leadership and then with the staff in an in-person staff meeting the week prior to school starting. It will also be shared with PAC (principal's advisory committee) at the first in-person meeting. Prior to these meetings, the policies will be made available to these stakeholders virtually and will include a Google form as a survey where they can make comments to be considered to adjust the policy. After approval from these 3 groups, these policies will be available to the community on our school webpage under the IB tab. They will also be stored in the One Drive for the coordinator to keep track of important school IB documents and be made available to staff in the IB folder in the faculty Teams group.