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Martha Ellen Stilwell School Of The Arts

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**2016-2017**

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**School Overview**

“Pursuing Excellence through the Arts”

Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts is the newest constructed high school in Clayton County. Located in Jonesboro, Georgia, a suburb of metropolitan Atlanta, the school sits adjacent to the Clayton County Performing Arts Center.

Martha Ellen Stilwell was an influential pioneer for the arts. She was an educator in the Clayton County School System and was the first Fine Arts Coordinator for the school district. She originated the now-internationally renowned Spivey Hall Children’s Choir. The work of Martha Ellen Stilwell continues to promote excellence in academic growth and social development.

Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts opened its doors in August 2014 to educate students in the Clayton County School System. Built to meet the needs of a rapidly growing fine arts community, this state-of-the-art facility is home to grades 9-12 students with an enrollment of approximately 600. Under the leadership of Dr. Michael H. Robinson, a distinguished faculty and staff has been assembled to serve the school community. The parents, students and staff of Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts seek to build a world-class school that is internationally competitive in academics and the arts. The students, staff and school community will have a school facility that will prepare them for the demands of the 21<sup>st</sup> century and beyond.

Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts fine arts course progression will provide all students with a challenging learning opportunity that will ensure they will be able to compete globally upon graduating from high school. All courses are geared toward a rigorous “college prep” curriculum supported by engaging and relevant instruction. During the 2016-2017 school year Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts will offer fine art courses in the areas of dance, theatre, vocal music, orchestra, band, guitar, piano, and visual arts. Students will attend field trips and participate in performances and competitions. In addition, students will work with professionals to become familiar with careers in their chosen performance area. Preparing for auditions and submitting scholarship applications for college will be included as part of the curriculum. Students will also have access to the Clayton County Performing Arts Center for instruction, technical training, and performances.

**Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts**  
**Honors and Advanced Placement Courses**

<b>Academic Honor Courses</b>	<b>Fine Arts Honor Courses</b>	<b>AP Courses</b>
9 <sup>th</sup> Literature/Composition Honors	Band I Symphonic	AP Language Literature Focus
World Literature Honors	Band II Symphonic	AP Literature
American Literature Honors	Band III Symphonic	AP Calculus
GSE Accelerated Algebra I/Geometry	Band IV Symphonic	AP Biology
GSE Accelerated Geometry B/Algebra II	Choral Ensemble I	AP Chemistry
Algebra II	Choral Ensemble II	AP Government
Biology I Honors	Mixed Chorus I Advanced	AP United States History
Chemistry I Honors	Mixed Chorus II Advanced	AP Macroeconomics
World History Honors	Mixed Chorus III Advanced	AP Music Theory
United States History Honors	Mixed Chorus IV Advanced	AP Physics
	String Orchestra I Advanced	AP Psychology
	String Orchestra II Advanced	AP Art History
	String Orchestra III Advanced	AP Studio Arts
	String Orchestra IV Advanced	AP Computer Science
	Music Theory II	
	Drawing and Painting II	
	Select Studio I	
	Select Studio II	
	Modern Dance III	
	Modern Dance IV	
	Ballet III	
	Ballet IV	
	Jazz Dance III	
	Development of Acting	
	Development of Theatre	
	Music Theatre II	
	Music Theatre III	

**THE COUNTY**

LOCATED just south of Atlanta, **Clayton County** offers its residents the best of metropolitan living. With the heart of the South's great city only a few minutes away, Clayton County residents have access to the finest restaurants, theaters, museums, shopping malls, recreation and fitness centers, and nightlife entertainment. Perhaps no other county in Georgia offers residents the advantages of the big city, while maintaining its small town charm. Clayton County's proximity to four interstate highways and the fact that it is home to Hartsfield International Airport (one of the world's largest and busiest airports) make it convenient for people on the go. But when it is time to wind down, residents enjoy the tranquility offered by life in the suburbs among numerous lakes and pine trees. Add to that the reasonably priced housing, and it is easy to see why Clayton County is the best place to live.

## **THE FACULTY**

The professional staff at Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts is composed of over 30 teachers. All are certified in their specialized curricular areas. A majority has earned Masters Degrees and credits beyond the Masters level; some have Doctoral degrees.

**Graduation Requirements:** Successful completion of a minimum of 23 credits including:

English	4	Social Studies	3	Fine Arts/Foreign Language	3
Mathematics	4	Physical Education	.5	Electives	4
Science	4	Health	.5		

➤ Students are encouraged to participate in community service activities.

## **Instructional Levels:**

***AP	Advanced Placement				
-	Comprehensive (Standard)	H	Honors		
GT	Gifted	DES	Department of Exceptional Students		

**Quality Points:** Weight assigned to grades in courses between grades 9 and 12

Advanced Placement                      A=5    B=4    C=3    D=2    F=0

Comprehensive (Standard)/DES    A=4    B=3    C=2    D=1    F=0

AP, Gifted and Honors courses are offered in English, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science and Fine Arts.

**Class Rank:** Class rank will be computed for every high school student by dividing the total number of quality points accumulated by the total number of credits attempted. Students will also be ranked on the basis of a weighted grade point average. Class rank and Grade Point Average lists are produced each semester.

## **TESTING PROGRAM**

Students at Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts may elect to take a variety of college entrance tests. Testing packets include: SAT I, SAT II, ACT, ACT Writing, and Advanced Placement. Martha Ellen Stilwell School of the Arts CEEB code is 111-743.

## **GRADUATE PROFILE**

Ninety-six percent of recent graduates pursued post-secondary education at four-year colleges and community colleges. Four percent of graduates pursued employment after high school.

\*\*\* Advanced Placement courses receive 5 additional numeric points and one additional quality point.