



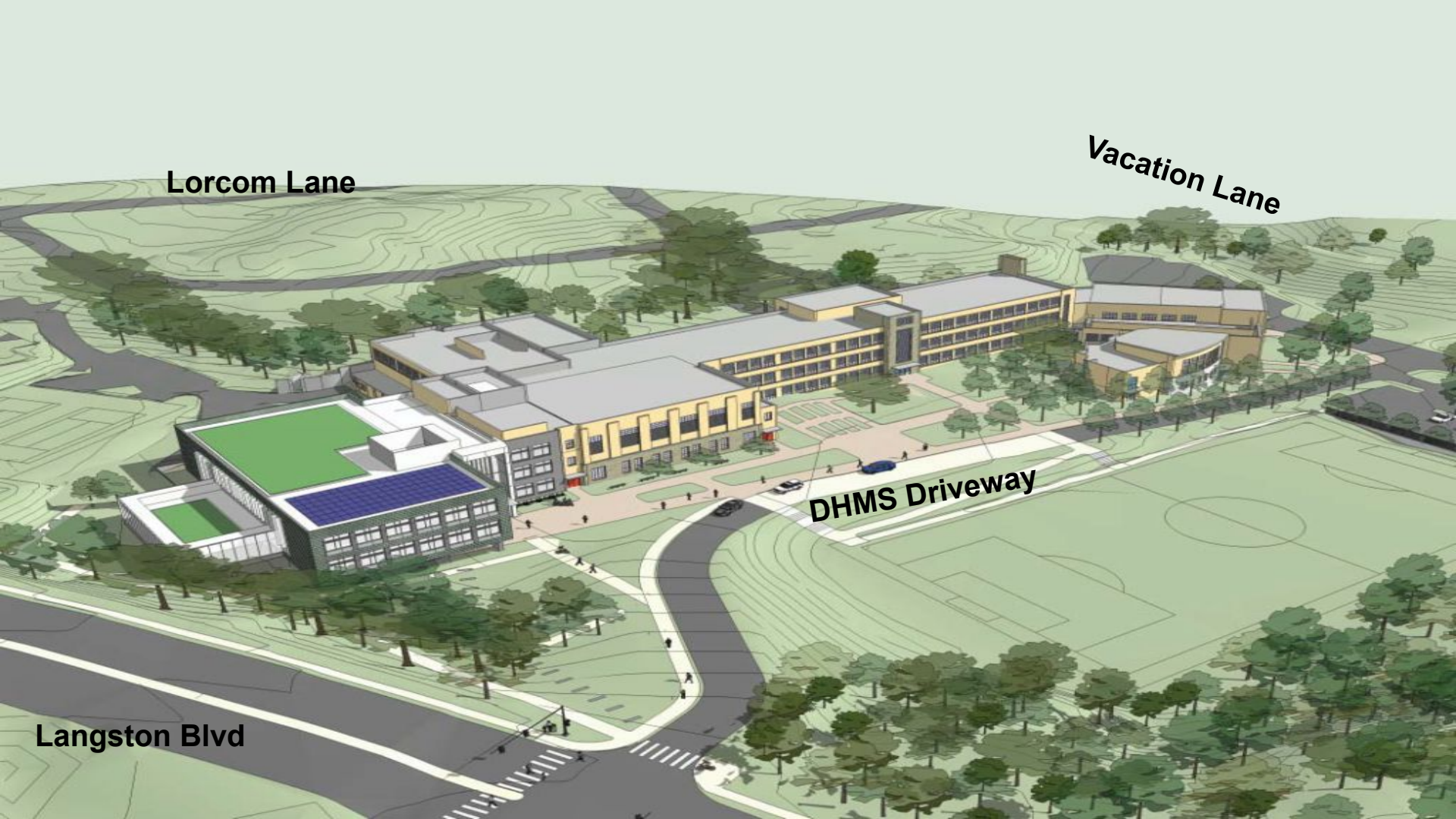
Welcome to Sixth Grade Info Night

December 6, 2023

Dorothy Hamm Middle School

#belongandbecome





Lorcom Lane

Vacation Lane

DHMS Driveway

Langston Blvd

Home of the Phoenix



Ellen Smith, Principal



Crystal Moore, AP



Lisa Moore, AP



Lauren Johnson, AP



Janae Ferguson,
Director of Counseling

Student Support Team for Grade 6

Ms. Janae Rittenhouse, Director

- Master Scheduler Extraordinaire
- Social Emotional Support Team Lead
- Director of Counseling Services

Mr. Robert (Bob) Tuttle, Counselor

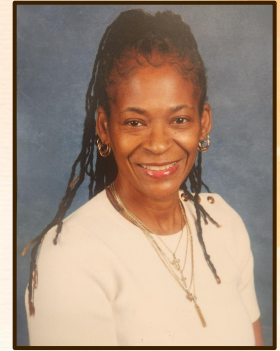
- Experienced Counselor
- Committed to Students
- Sports Enthusiast!



Follow our office on Twitter for news and updates!
@DHMS_Counseling

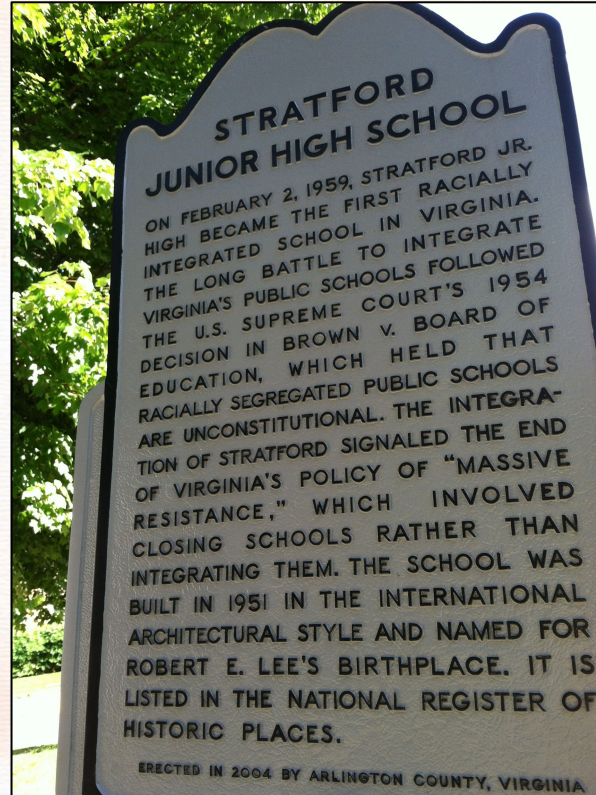
Instructional Supports

1. Library Services - Ms. Jenny Shanker and Ms. Audrey Tsai
2. Reading Specialist - Ms. Sally Donnelly
3. Math Coach - Ms. Heather Donaldson
4. Special Education Services - Ms. Carolyn Riley
5. Instructional Technology Coordinator - Mr. Joel Gildea
6. Resource Teacher for the Gifted - Ms. Regina Boyd
7. Bilingual Family Liaison - Mr. Henry Cardenas
8. Equity and Excellence Coordinator - Mr. Kobie Griffin



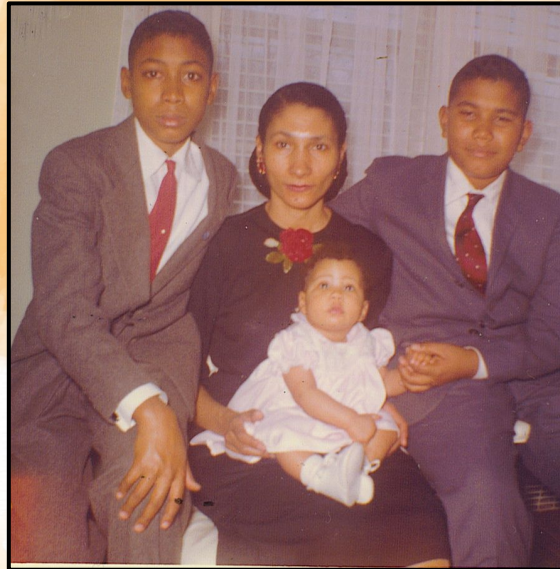
History

- Brown vs Board of Education - 1954
- Virginia's Massive Resistance Movement
- February 2, 1959 - first to integrate in VA



Dorothy M. Bigelow Hamm

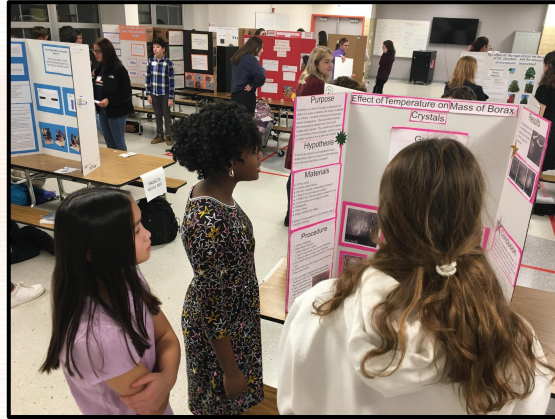
- Civil Rights activist from Halls Hill, Arlington
- Participated in original civil action suit with son to desegregate Arlington Public Schools
- Challenged the Pupil Placement Act
- Continued to fight for equality



A Day in the Life...

Our Vision - The Best Years!

- Early start
- TA/Homeroom
- Phoenix Time
- Lunch
- After school activities



6th Grade Schedule

- School starts at 7:50 and ends at 2:35
- Door open at 7:40 - library/bfast 7:20
- 6th graders typically have:
 - 1st/2nd Period: Core Classes
 - 3rd/4th Period: Core Classes
 - 5th Period (every day class): Core Class
 - 6th/7th Period: Elective Classes
- 6th graders all eat lunch together in the cafeteria

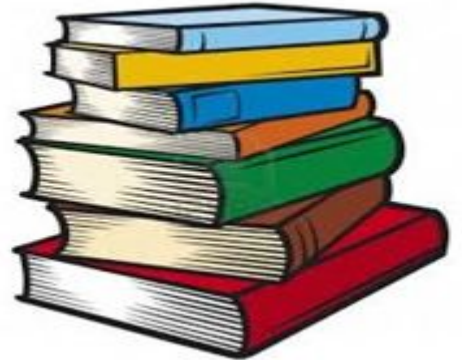


Core Classes

- English
- Math*
- Science
- Social Studies
- Reading
- Health & PE
- Intensified Classes



WELCOME
to
Middle
School!



Electives for Sixth Grade

- Elective choice:
 - **Music** (Band, Orchestra, or Chorus) - Keep this going!
- OR**
- **Exploratory wheel** - or explore



After School at DHMS



Meet our Activities Coordinator:

Ms. Unika Dabney

- Coach
- Passionate about Student Success
- We offer multiple Sports and a number of Clubs (Sports: Tennis, Ultimate Frisbee, Soccer, Basketball, Cheerleading, Wrestling, Swim & Dive and Track and Field. Clubs: Model UN, Tech Tuesday, D and D, Chess Club, and many more.)
- In order to participate in sports, student athletes must have a physical dated after May 1, 2024 for the 2024-25 School Year.



Follow us on Twitter: **DHMS_Activities** and Instagram: **phoenix_activities**

Visit the school website for more information: dorothyhamm.apsva.us/sports/

Student Ambassador Q & A

- Ask some of our volunteer student ambassadors about what life is like as a student at Dorothy Hamm!
- Students - what questions do you have about middle school?



Tour the Building and Thank YOU!



Other Upcoming Events