

WHAT'S THE **MPH** EFFECT?

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You see it in her eyes when she wakes up every morning, energized for the school day ahead. When she dives deeply into every subject, from French to Forensics, always pushing herself to discover more. When she spontaneously decides to take up the drums, just because she's never played them before.

Most of all, you see it in your child's ever-growing expectations and aspirations—not just for herself, but for the world she inhabits and helps create.








Lower School: pre-k through grade 5

It begins in our Lower School, on your child's very first day of pre-kindergarten.

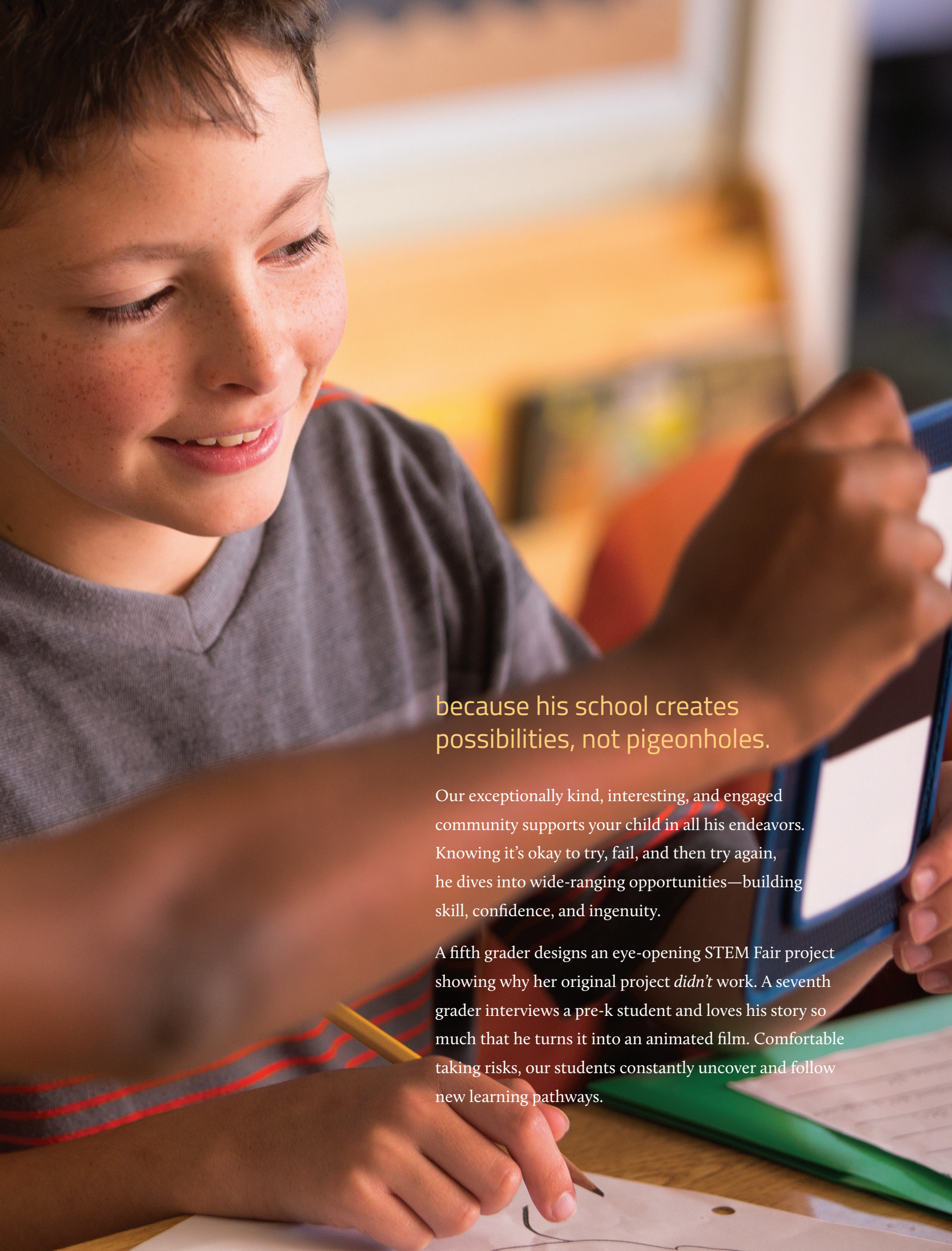
Stepping into our open, light-filled Center for Early Learning, she feels her curiosity growing by leaps and bounds. Then she delves into our multisensory curriculum. Soon, she's building a Rube Goldberg machine, practicing Spanish words, working complex math problems, learning the violin, dancing, and playing with her new friends—all while discovering herself and the world.

As she grows through her Lower School years, on any given day she might find herself assembling a functioning arcade game, performing in *Hamlet*, designing an original science-fair project with her teacher, or mentoring younger students—as her older peers mentor her. Frequently collaborating with her classmates, and working one-on-one with her teachers, she thrives as a member of MPH's supportive and vibrant intellectual community.



[THE EXPERIMENT EFFECT]

He finds new ways to stretch himself every day



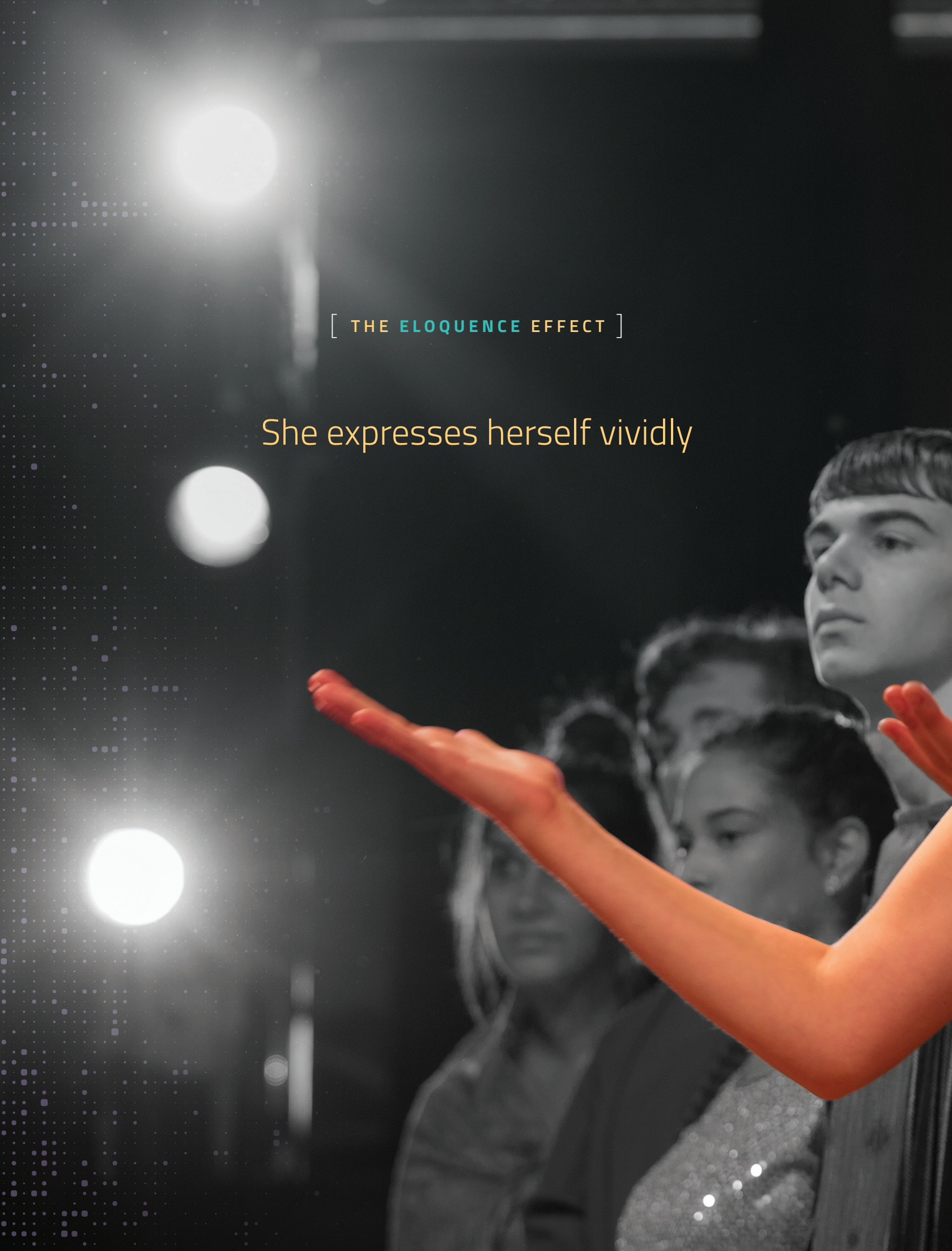
because his school creates possibilities, not pigeonholes.


Our exceptionally kind, interesting, and engaged community supports your child in all his endeavors. Knowing it's okay to try, fail, and then try again, he dives into wide-ranging opportunities—building skill, confidence, and ingenuity.

A fifth grader designs an eye-opening STEM Fair project showing why her original project *didn't* work. A seventh grader interviews a pre-k student and loves his story so much that he turns it into an animated film. Comfortable taking risks, our students constantly uncover and follow new learning pathways.

[THE ELOQUENCE EFFECT]

She expresses herself vividly



A photograph of three students performing on stage. In the foreground, a young woman with long brown hair, wearing a light blue sequined dress, is singing with her mouth open and hands gesturing. Behind her, a young man in a gold sequined shirt and a young woman in a purple dress are also visible, looking towards the left. The background is dark, and the stage is lit with warm, orange-toned lights.

because her school makes
performing a priority.

Our celebrated performing and visual arts curriculum helps your child discover and share her most imaginative self—so she gains confidence and agility for every aspect of her life.

Visit MPH any day, and you might find our Lower School musicians performing a short piece for their younger peers and helping them understand its composition. You might examine students' sophisticated self-portraits, or take in a budding comedian's first-ever stand-up monologue. On stage, in the classroom, and in the larger world, our students all present themselves differently, but always meaningfully and authentically.





Middle School: grades 6 through 8

The MPH EFFECT mounts through the always amazing, sometimes challenging Middle School years.

Our Middle School teachers not only understand but love this age group. Through small, faculty-led advisory groups, discussing kindness, friendship, study skills, digital citizenship—and just about anything else that comes up—your child builds trust in himself and others.


Meanwhile, from Scratch computer programming to 3-D modeling to current-events history and beyond, your child extends his mind in many directions. We offer him the chance to study three world languages. He tackles pre-algebra, and plays an instrument, sings in the chorus, or both. Strengthening his imagination, intellect, and physical agility, he explores a wide range of PE, art, dance, technology, and health classes.

Through our Middle School program, your child learns to plan carefully, work cooperatively, and thoughtfully examine diverse perspectives—giving him the intellectual and personal tools he needs to flourish in high school.



[THE INTEGRITY EFFECT]

He grows as a scholar *and* citizen

A young man with short dark hair, wearing a grey button-down shirt and a grey tie with pink diagonal stripes, is shown from the chest up. He is looking off to the right with a thoughtful expression, his mouth slightly open. His hands are visible in the foreground, gesturing as if he is speaking or explaining something. In the background, another person is visible but out of focus, wearing a bright pink shirt. The setting appears to be a classroom or a school hallway with a whiteboard in the background.

because his peers know intelligence
and compassion fuel each other.

The entire MPH community shares and practices profound respect for others. Our students think and care deeply about their school community and the wider world, as our teachers and families model thoughtfulness and empathy.

Older students walk pre-k children to class. Upper School girls who love math create a math-tutoring program for Middle School girls. An eleventh grader starts a club to serve local veterans. In enduring projects, and in small daily moments, attentiveness, ingenuity, and kindness are all part of life at MPH.

◆ MAIN ENTRANCE ◆








[THE TENACITY EFFECT]

She builds endurance, determination,
and leadership skills



because her teammates' support
builds her confidence.

At MPH, your child can take up a sport she's never played before, excel at a lifelong passion—or both. And whatever she chooses, we'll cheer her on.

As a community, we perceive potential, not limitations. That's why one student's friends won't rest until he tries basketball, even though he thinks he's too short—and he ends up loving the game. Meanwhile, in cross-country, some of our quietest students emerge as team leaders, inspiring through hard work more than words—because at MPH, we know leadership takes many forms.



Upper School: grades 9 through 12

The MPH EFFECT culminates in our Upper School. Here, your child's gradual, intentional construction of her own identity takes on a significant new purpose—preparing intellectually and personally for college and life beyond.

Beginning with our Freshman Seminar, and continuing throughout her Upper School career, our faculty-led advisory program helps her adjust to increasing academic and social demands. Mentoring and tutoring fellow students through formal and informal buddy systems, she flourishes as a role model for the whole school.


At the end of her junior year, your child proposes a subject for her Senior Thesis Project, which she researches, completes, and presents to the community over the course of her senior year. Along the way, she immerses herself in exciting courses like Forensics, Geology, and Model United Nations, and—through our partnership with the Malone Schools Online Network—electives like Arabic, Multivariable Calculus, and Environmental Bioethics. As her MPH journey reaches its pinnacle, our college counseling program helps her select best-fit colleges and submit the strongest possible applications.

She graduates as an original thinker who clearly expresses her own well-considered opinions and empathetically engages with others' viewpoints. She's fully prepared and palpably eager for her next steps.



[THE EXPECTATIONS EFFECT]

He delves deeper and searches farther



because his teachers expect more than just the “right” answer.

As his mentors, learning partners, and strongest advocates, MPH teachers encourage him to dig passionately into every subject.

In this atmosphere of discovery and possibility, one student’s science teacher connects her with a Syracuse University professor—so she can conduct college-level research in ninth grade. Another student’s enthusiasm for business inspires a new addition to our curriculum. As they find out how much more they can learn—and how their learning influences others—students expect more of their education, their peers, and themselves.



[THE READINESS EFFECT]


He graduates fully prepared for top colleges



because his school fosters meaningful learning, not just test-taking.

By the end of senior year, your child has conducted original, college-level research; explored and debated life's most complex questions; and come to deeply understand himself and the world.

Because our graduates know *how* and *why* to learn—and love doing it—they thrive in the most rigorous academic environments. A tenth grader's original research on Macau's Gothic architecture—drawing on her own experience growing up there—helps land her a place in Cornell's renowned architecture program. And an alumnus tells us how thoroughly MPH prepared him for his Yale science classes: at MPH, he learned to think, write, and work *as a scientist*.



We believe that mastering essential concepts and skills is only part of your child's educational journey. Every day, whether she realizes it or not, your child is building her identity—an intellectual, philosophical, and emotional foundation for college, career, and life.

That foundation—her sense of who she is, what she can do, what she still needs to learn and how to learn it—helps determine her success in the years ahead.

At MPH, your child forms a strong, authentic, self-created identity—much earlier than you might think.

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ESSENTIALS OF THE MPH EFFECT



[ACADEMICS]

Every day, from pre-k through grade 12, MPH's students expand their expertise as they forge fresh perspectives. Our intensive college-preparatory curriculum extends far beyond test-taking, ensuring students master the fundamentals while experiencing life-changing learning adventures. Energized by mutually inspiring learning partnerships between students and teachers, MPH's caring, inventive faculty members challenge students to pursue increasingly complex questions, shaping self-directed scholars and conscientious citizens.

[ARTS]

MPH's renowned visual and performing arts programs intentionally build confidence, creativity, skill, agility, and resilience. Our youngest students gain musical aptitude early through our Suzuki strings program. Throughout their years here, students take part in sophisticated plays and musicals; study and create original paintings, sculptures, and digital artwork; play in a range of bands and ensembles; and write and perform original poetry—all the while reshaping the world, and themselves.



[ATHLETICS]

At MPH, we believe every student—at every skill level—grows stronger physically, intellectually, and emotionally through serious athletic competition. We encourage our students to try new sports and build on longstanding skills, fostering bravery, tenacity, mastery, and lifelong healthy habits. Teammates, friends, and family members constantly support our athletes, so they strive to do better every time—not just for themselves, but for others.



[SERVICE]

At MPH, we support a culture of service that empowers our students while benefiting the local community and wider world. From traveling on medical missions to El Salvador, to working with military veterans right here in Syracuse, to growing organic vegetables for our own cafeteria, MPH students find creative, meaningful, and enduring ways to make others' lives better.



[COMMUNITY]

MPH's students, teachers, parents, staff members, and alumni form an exceptionally welcoming and vibrant school. Our community-wide ethos of unwavering kindness and genuine respect builds personal and academic confidence that lasts a lifetime. Students thrive in this supportive and challenging environment, where it's cool to be smart, compassionate, curious, and spontaneous—in other words, to be yourself.

[EXTRACURRICULARS]

Our students and teachers know learning doesn't end with the school day. That's why we offer a great variety of clubs and activities at all grade levels, empowering students to stretch and experiment beyond the academic curriculum. Lower School students can delve into chess, baking, and science—to name just some examples. Middle and Upper Schoolers can choose from debate, history, skiing, and 3D modeling, among many other options—or start their own club.



[COLLEGE PREPARATION]

MPH graduates consistently enroll in the nation's top universities—and we're proud of our 100 percent placement rate. Offering a wide range of AP courses, intentional college counseling, individual application assistance, and PSAT, ACT, and SAT preparation through Community Programs, we help our students stand out from the applicant crowd. Equally important, our entire program builds the intellectual sophistication, nuanced self-awareness, and endless curiosity students need to excel in college, career, and life beyond.



How might your child grow through an MPH education?
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