

BHM Mission Statement

Making a difference by preparing all students for a successful future in a changing world.

BHM Core Values

- We foster an environment that develops and cares for the whole child.
- All students can learn, though at different rates and in different ways.
- We are dedicated to lifelong learning.
- All learning requires innovation, risk-taking, and the commitment to continuous improvement.
- All staff have a critical role in enhancing student development.
- In all aspects of the district, we adhere to honesty, integrity, fairness, and ethics.

BHM Key Expectations

- Each student explores strengths and passions through varied educational opportunities.
- Each student demonstrates academic growth and success.
- Student learning and engagement are optimized through high-quality and innovative instructional strategies.
- Everyone in our schools experiences a safe, comfortable, and caring environment.
- The district operates efficiently and effectively.



QUEST

"There comes that mysterious meeting in life when someone acknowledges who we are and what we can be, igniting the circuits of our highest potential."

-Rusty Berkus



Making a Difference!

More Information

For more information about Quest, go to the district website at www.bhmschools.org click on Departments/Teaching&Learning/High Potential Services to find the Quest link.

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Education that Knows No Limits



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Program Highlights

The Quest Program is part of Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose Schools (BHM). The tuition-free program is a school-within-a-school for highly gifted students who will be in grades 2-9.

Classrooms for grades 2-5 are located at Parkside Elementary in Buffalo. Siblings of students in the elementary program also have the option to open enroll into Parkside. Classes for grades 6-8 are located at Buffalo Community Middle School. In grade 9 at Buffalo High School, students will have a Quest English and math course available along with an opportunity to choose advance course options. In grade 10, students will have options to earn college credits for their coursework.



Curriculum

The curriculum includes state standards and district curriculum taught at an accelerated or enriched level.

Students can expect to learn at a faster pace than in a regular classroom, and to apply what is being learned to the world through technology and connections in the community.



Students have the opportunity to produce work at an advanced level, and will receive homework appropriate for their learning level.

The curriculum is accelerated in mathematics and science, with students studying content above grade level. It is also highly enriched in language arts and social studies.

Students also have the opportunity to participate in state and national academic competitions.

Admission to the Program

For students to be admitted into the Quest program, parents must complete a Request for Assessment form. Test scores from the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP), Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA), and the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) are used to make placement decisions, as well as other information.

Students who are considered for admission should score in the mid 90th percentiles on both the MAP test and CogAT test.

Parents and teachers submit information on students to help guide the team in making placement decisions for the program.

BHM school district resident and non-resident students are welcomed to apply. Qualified resident students receive priority placement. All qualified students participate tuition free.

For more information on admission requirements, visit bhmschools.org and click on Departments/Teaching&Learning/High Potential Services.

