

# THE ACADEMY

## HISTORY

The Academy opened on September 1, 2005 with its first department, a Grade 7-11 Traditional High School, with Special Education and Gifted and Talented Programmes.

The Middle School department, grades 4-6, was opened in September 2007, in response to requests from parents of students not coping with the GSAT programme.

## AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Academy is an institution of LIFELONG LEARNING where we seek to promote, facilitate, deliver and advance learning in all areas, for the education and personal development of our clients. These areas include but are not limited to:

- *Traditional Academic Programmes*
- *Special Education Programmes*
- *Gifted and Talented Programmes*

The Academy philosophy is that everyone CAN learn. The Academy addresses a group of educational and psycho-educational disorders which are commonly seen to give students difficulties in the regular school setting. All programmes are developed and delivered in such a way, as to personalize and rationalize the learning opportunities of our clients. Students are tested regularly and Individual Educational Programmes (IEPs) are designed for those who require them.



## SUCSESSES

The Academy has been able to offer the small group learning environment that special needs students require to achieve results in their academic career. The team of specialist educators work together to develop remedial programmes in just about every subject area.

Students have actively represented the school in many competitions including:

- *UNICEF art project*
- *Inter-schools swimming*
- *Inter-schools tennis*
- *JCDC festival*
- *Special Olympics*
- *Six-a-side football*
- *Basketball*
- *Chess*

## PROGRAMME

### Gifted Programmes:

- *Accelerated Math*
- *Accelerated English*

### Learning Disabled support for:

- *ADHD & ADD*
- *Mild Autism, Aspergers Syndrome & PDDNOS*
- *Dyslexia*
- *Reading Difficulties*
- *Math Difficulties*
- *Comprehension Difficulties*



### Services and Facilities:

- *Three end of term reports*
- *Five interim reports*
- *Annual academic assessment*
- *Bi-annual examinations*
- *Individual Educational Programmes*
- *Shadows welcome*
- *Preparation for CXC*
- *Maximum 12 students per class*

## CXC PROGRAMMES

The Caribbean Certificate of Secondary Level Competence (CCSLC) and the Caribbean Secondary Education Certificate (CSEC) are offered in grades 9 to 12, and students are placed in these Caribbean Examinations Council (CXC) programmes based on ability and aptitude.

Subjects offered in Grades 7-12 include:

- *Mathematics*
- *English Language and English Literature*
- *World History and Caribbean History*
- *Geography*
- *French and Spanish*
- *Biology, Chemistry and Physics*
- *Information Technology*
- *Electronic Document Preparation and Management*
- *Principles of Business*
- *Social Studies*
- *Guidance*
- *Religious Education*
- *Physical Education*
- *Performing and Visual Arts*



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