



Commack Middle School

W.I.L.D.C.A.T. Recognition



World IB Learner Dedicated to Community, Academics & Teamwork

The Site-Based Management Team of Commack Middle School initiated this recognition program to honor students who are working to develop the traits of the I.B. Learner Profile.

The SBMT asks: **Are you committed to becoming:**

Caring, being considerate of the needs of others and committed to making a positive difference to others and to the environment?

A Communicator, understanding and expressing yourself confidently in more than one language, working well and enthusiastically in team situations?

A Thinker, thinking about how to help solve problems and make responsible decisions?

An Inquirer, being curious and asking important questions, inquiring into the world around you?

Knowledgeable, exploring local and global issues to build an in-depth knowledge and understanding of all subjects?

Open-minded, being respectful of other's opinions and values, considering more than one point of view in making decisions?

Principled, demonstrating honesty and fairness and respect towards others, taking responsibility for your own actions?

Reflective, thinking carefully about how you learn through different experiences, recognizing your strengths and limitations and setting goals for further learning and developing?

A Risk Taker, demonstrating confidence and courage in new situations, being eager to try new things, and defending your beliefs?

Balanced, working to obtain balance in your life, caring for yourself – physically, emotionally and intellectually?

**If your answer is “yes” to the questions above,
you have demonstrated true
W.I.L.D.C.A.T. achievement and deserve
W.I.L.D.C.A.T. recognition!**

Please tell us how you have demonstrated achievement in several ways this year by filling out the attached application.

To complete the Application, by hand or partially online (you can access the application on the Commack Middle School webpage by clicking on *W.I.L.D.C.A.T. Application*), please:

Look at the page with the 3 charts on it.

1. Fill in the information at the top (name, grade, counselor).
2. Fill in information about your efforts in each chart.
 - a. You must make at least 3 entries in the Academics chart.
 - b. You must make at least 3 entries in the Service-to-Others chart.
 - c. You must make at least 3 entries in the Activities chart.
3. Ask an adult who supervised or witnessed your efforts to sign each entry in each of the charts. Note the instructions to the adults next to the asterisk under each chart. You will need a hardcopy for the signatures.
4. Consider what trait of the I.B. Learner Profile each of your entries shows you are trying to develop. Write that trait in the first column of each chart:

Caring	Thinker	Knowledgeable	Principled	Risk Taker
Communicator	Inquirer	Open-minded	Reflective	Balanced

Look at the page with the essay assignment on it.

5. Fill in the information at the top (name, grade, and counselor).
6. Prepare to write a reflective essay:
 - a. Review your entries in the 3 charts (Academics, Service to Others, and Activities) and see what I.B. Learner Profile traits appear most often. Those are the traits you are developing right now.
 - b. Talk to your parent/guardian about your efforts and see if they agree that you are working hard to develop those (one or two) particular traits.
7. Write a reflective essay of approximately 250 words in which you:
 - a. Explain how your efforts and achievements show you are developing **one or two** of the IB Learner Profile traits and
 - b. Describe how you could continue to strive toward developing that trait or those traits throughout your life.
8. **Sign your essay, at the bottom where indicated, and ask your parent or guardian to co-sign it.**

Submit your Application.

Turn in your completed hardcopy of the Application to the Counseling Center no later than **3 pm on Friday, May 3, 2019.**

Recognition

Your school counselor, teachers, and administrators encourage you to apply for this recognition of your efforts to acquire the traits of the Learner Profile and to develop character. Your counselor will review your application, and, assuming everything is in order, you will be honored with a certificate of recognition at our Wildcat Awards Assembly in June.