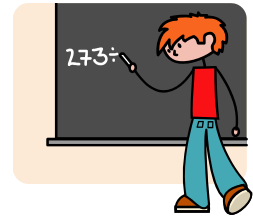


# Welcome to the Explore Program!



Welcome to EXPLORE at Hickory Bend! The Explore Program at Hickory Bend was developed to provide a challenging educational experience for students who display high achievement of grade level content in the areas of Language Arts and/or Mathematics.

Highly able students participate in learning activities that are content based and which extend and enrich the essential curriculum. Examples include: problem solving, debate, Literacy Book Clubs, Socratic Seminars, our newspaper, The Hickory Bend All-Star Explorer, and Junior Battle of the Books. Participation in the Explore program is dependent on test scores and teacher recommendation. Classroom teachers may refer highly able students and/or students with intense interests to the Explore Resource Teacher, Mrs. Torres. Then, the Explore Resource Teacher and classroom teacher collaborate to schedule opportunities for students to participate in enrichment activities.

If you have any questions about this exciting program, please contact Mrs. D. Torres at 708.758.4520 or [dtorres@brookwood167.org](mailto:dtorres@brookwood167.org).

