

## Single Sex Education

Why does JICMS have single-sex classes? It's about doing what is best for middle school students. Research shows that single-sex classrooms can reverse the gender gaps for girls in math and boys in literacy. Because boys' and girls' brains develop at different rates, single-sex classrooms allow teachers to use the most effective and efficient methods to reach students and lower any achievement gaps by using teaching methods geared toward a specific gender. Single-sex classrooms also enable students to reach their full potential by helping to eliminate distractions and reduce disciplinary issues in an environment where students may be more willing to take academic risks because they have no fear of failing in front of the opposite sex.