

Q & A

Q: Will reading and writing be taught at this school?

A: Yes. Every school in our district offers instruction in all core curricular areas aligned to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) - reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies.

Q: What is the focus of this school?

A: The focus of Gilsum STEAM Academy clearly aligns with STEAM and Common Core State Standards. Our school model and standards are designed to be robust and relevant to the real world, reflecting the knowledge and skills that our young people need for success in school.



Gilsum STEAM Academy

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Monadnock Regional
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Gilsum STEAM Academy



Powered by
Resourcefulness,
Innovation and Inquiry

Grades Kindergarten through Six
School Hours: 8:30am—3:15pm

Full STEAM Ahead!

What is STEAM?

STEAM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics.

STEAM focuses on project based learning through the integration of all subjects.

STEAM promotes learning through hands on activities, experiments and projects.

Students at Gilsum STEAM Academy (GSA) will be challenged to think critically and develop skills using a hands on interactive approach.



What makes Gilsum STEAM Academy unique?

- ◇ The GSA curriculum will focus on collaborative learning and inquiry-based problem solving. Teachers will co-teach and plan together.
- ◇ Instruction will be focused themes for each trimester and will culminate with an exhibition of student work.
- ◇ Technology will be used by students to guide their research, investigate topics and to share what they've learned.
- ◇ Skill lessons in reading, math and writing will continue with flexible groupings to address specific student needs.
- ◇ Students will be challenged to think critically.
- ◇ One day each week, all students will be fully engaged in STEAM lessons.
- ◇ Art, Music and Physical Education will be offered 2 times each week; one of those lessons will be focused on STEAM activities.
- ◇ Gilsum and MRSD students will be given priority to attend with remaining slots being opened to tuition based students.

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Parent and Community Connections



- ◇ Parents are encouraged to participate actively through a Parent Committee, enriching and expanding the STEAM program through volunteering.
- ◇ The school will partner with community based resources and businesses to enrich the program.
- ◇ STEAM nights will be offered to parents to learn more about STEAM and experience hands on STEAM related activities.
- ◇ Applications are available on the MRSD and Gilsum School websites or at any Monadnock Elementary School.
- ◇ Transportation will be provided from Mt. Caesar, Cutler and a Keene location (TBD).