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SCHOOL GUIDE KC

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SHOWING OFF!

Welcome to the 7th edition of the Show Me KC Schools printed school guide! We're thrilled to continue our mission of supporting Kansas City families. While our commitment remains steadfast, we've got some exciting updates to share! This year, we're especially proud to show off our newest resource: the Out of School Time Directory! Launched on our website showmekcschools.org in early 2025, this comprehensive directory is your go-to for finding engaging and enriching activities for students beyond the regular school day. Alongside this fantastic new tool, we continue to enhance our support for you: listen to our latest insights on our podcast (available on all streaming services), experience our user-friendly website, utilize our common application platform schoolappkc.org, join us at the annual City School Fair and check out our spirit wear store for schools at showmespirit.org.

ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Kansas City offers a diverse landscape of educational opportunities. This guide provides an introduction to the many options available, including Early Childhood and Pre-K programs, as well as district, charter, faith-based, and independent private schools serving students within the Kansas City Public Schools boundaries. It's the perfect starting point for exploring what's out there for your family.

ABOUT SHOW ME KC SCHOOLS

Show Me KC Schools is a nonprofit organization that empowers families on their educational journey by providing vital information about their school options, inspiring school pride, and increasing access to free public education across the KC Metro area. Born from a group of dedicated Kansas City parents, Show Me KC Schools has grown to provide unbiased information and access to over 90 schools through this guide, our SchoolAppKC common application platform, our robust website, events like the City School Fair, School Saturday, our podcast, and one-on-one navigation support. We aim to be your comprehensive first step in finding the right school for your family.

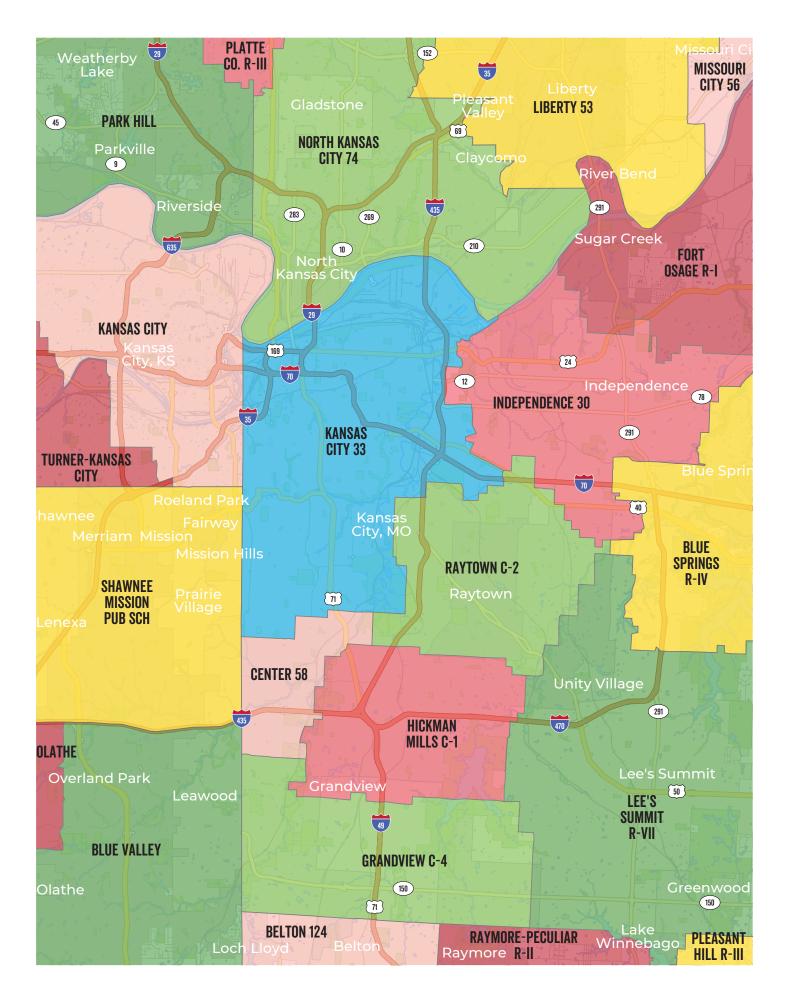
WORKING FOR FAMILIES

We value your input! If you have suggestions for what you'd like to see in future editions of this guide, please complete our feedback survey by scanning the QR code on the back of this guide. The entire team at Show Me KC Schools is honored to support Kansas City families. We are passionate about helping you find the right schools to fit your family's unique needs. We look forward to connecting with you!

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KANSAS CITY METRO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICTS

The Kansas City metro area includes many different school districts. If you live in Kansas City, or if you are considering a move to Kansas City, this map can help you identify the school district boundaries. Or, visit our website to view an interactive map that allows you to enter your address and find your school district. www.showmekcschools.org

If you live in the Kansas City Missouri Public School District boundary or "Kansas City District 33" you have many school choice options and are eligible to attend a KCPS district school, a public charter school, and many faith-based and independent private schools as well - you can find all of those options in this school guide, so keep reading!

BELTON 124

www.beltonschools.org (816) 489-7000

BLUE SPRINGS R-IV

www.bssd.net (816) 874-3200

BLUE VALLEY

www.bluevalleyk12.org (913) 239-4000

CENTER 58

www.center.kl2.mo.us (816) 349-3300

FORT OSAGE R-I

www.fortosage.net (816) 650-7000

GRANDVIEW C-4

www.grandviewc4.net (816) 316-5000

HICKMAN MILLS C-I

www.hickmanmills.org (816) 316-7000

INDEPENDENCE 30

www.isdschools.org (816) 521-5300

KANSAS CITY

www.kckps.org (913) 551-3200

KANSAS CITY 33

www.kcpublicschools.org (816) 418-7000 www.showmekcschools.org (816) 535-0656

LEE'S SUMMIT R-VII

www.lsr7.org (816) 986-1000

LIBERTY 53

www.lps53.org (816) 736-5300

MISSOURI CITY 56

www.mocity.k12.mo.us (816) 750-4391

NORTH KANSAS CITY 74

www.nkcschools.org (816) 321-5000

OLATHE

www.olatheschools.org (913) 780-7000

PARK HILL

www.parkhill.k12.mo.us (816) 359-4000

PLATTE CO. R-III

www.plattecountyschooldistrict.com (816) 858-5420

PLEASANT HILL R-III

www.phr3.org (816) 540-3161

RAYMORE-PECULIAR R-II

www.raypec.k12.mo.us (816) 892-1300

RAYTOWN C-2

www.raytownschools.org (816) 268-7000

SHAWNEE MISSION PUBLIC SCHOOL

www.smsd.org (913) 993-6200

TURNER-KANSAS CITY

www.turnerusd202.org (913) 288-4100

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

WHAT WE DO

Show Me KC Schools offers a variety of programs, services and events designed to help families navigate Kansas City's education landscape and learn more about the many school options available.



Do you have school search questions? Our Navigators respond to requests for individual school navigation and can support you with an in-person meeting or via the telephone or video conference. Let us know how we can help you find a right fit school for your child.



Learn about school options at the only school fair in KC that features KCPS, charter and private schools – under one roof. FREE to the public and held annually on the second Saturday in November.



Tune into the Show Me KC Schools Podcast as we chat about the education landscape in Kansas City, learn about navigating all the school options, hear from school leaders, and dive into relevant topics impacting Kansas City students.



Visit schools during the citywide school open house. Go to www. showmekcschools.org/school-saturday to see participating schools.



SchoolAppKC streamlines the school application process for families in the Kansas City Public School boundaries. Visit www.schoolappkc.org to learn more and view a list of participating schools.



At www.showmekcschools.org you can find accurate information about every school in the KCPS boundaries and tools to make your school search easier.



Pick up our School Guide KC at libraries and community centers around KC or download the pdf to learn all about your school options and use the handy workbook inside to organize your school search.



ShowMeSpirit is a special project of ours – designed to support schools and make the ordering of school-branded spirit wear easily accessible.



COME SEE US AT 2201 LEXINGTON AVE, KANSAS CITY, MO 64124

SCHOOL SEARCH PROCESS

The school landscape in Kansas City is vast, filled with many options for students and families to explore. We have created four easy steps to guide you through the process of finding a great school for your child, right here in KC.



LEARN

Sometimes finding out more about your school options can be confusing. Show Me KC Schools is here to help. First, let's find out what school district you live in. Visit our interactive Kansas City Metro Area School Districts map and enter your address. Visit: www.showmekcschools.org/kansas-city-school-districts

If you live in Kansas City 33 School District you have different public school options and are eligible to attend a KCPS district school, a charter school and many private school options as well. If you live in a different school district visit their website to see what schools you are assigned to.



TUNE IN TO SHOW ME KC SCHOOLS PODCAST The Show Me KC Schools Podcast covers the

education landscape in Kansas City, navigating all the school options, and more.

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF
Does your family need bus
transportation and before and after care?

Find those details and more in our school directory starting on page 30.



SEARCH

Now that you have determined what you want in a school, it is time to start your search! Learning about the options in your neighborhood and comparing several schools is key to the process. Check out all our resources on this page and let us know if you need help.



SEARCH OUR WEBSITE

Visit us at www. showmekcschools.org to find accurate information about every school in the KCPS boundaries.



ONE-ON-ONE NAVIGATION

Show me KC Schools' School Navigators provide **FREE** oneon-one support to parents and caregivers searching for schools in Kansas City



EXPERIENCE

Visiting a school gives you the chance to meet staff, ask questions and see the classrooms in action.



CITY SCHOOL FAIR

Get the information you need about your school options at the only school fair in Kansas City that brings together district, charter, private and

faith-based schools. Learn about 50+ Pre-K -12th grade options through one-on-one conversations with school representatives, including current parents and students.



SCHOOL SATURDAY

Visit participating pre-k, elementary, middle, and high schools at our citywide open house. Participating schools will open their doors, to host tours, and highlight

student projects, and artwork, while some schools showcase student performances.



APPLY

You've researched and visited the many wonderful options that Kansas City has to offer. Now it's time to Apply and Enroll!



NARROW DOWN YOUR LIST AND BEGIN APPLICATIONS

You're almost ready to apply!

- Make sure you know what each school requires and the application deadlines that need to be met.
- It is a good idea to apply to several schools.
 Some schools may have a waitlist and there is no guarentee you will be offered a seat.
- Your are always guaranteed a seat at your assigned neighborhood school.

How is school quality currently being measured and what is important to my family?

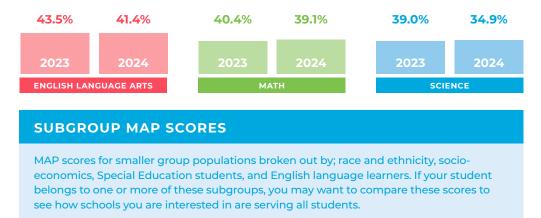
Here at Show Me KC Schools we do not rank schools.

Our mission is to provide you with all the information you need to make a well-informed decision about your students' education. Here are some data points that the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) collects on all public schools that can also be found on our website.

With this information, you can begin to build your picture of quality and what is important to your family.

1. MAP scores: (Missouri Assessment Program) are a set of tests that are given to students once a year in the subjects of Math, English, and Science. The MAP assessments test students' progress toward mastery of the Missouri Show-Me Standards.

The graph below shows the percentage of students who tested proficient or advanced in the state of Missouri for the last two school years. You may chose to use these numbers to establish a baseline for a schools performance.



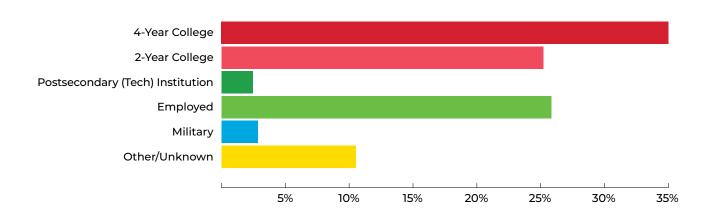
2. Attendance rates: Is the average daily attendance rate at a school. This measures percentage of students present 90% of the school year.



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To see all of these data points visit www.showmekcschools.org and click on the Student Performance tab on each public school profile page.

- **3. Graduation rates:** Is the percentage of students that are on a four-year trajectory for graduation.
- 4. 3rd grade reading scores: Measures the percentage of students who are reading on grade level by the third grade. (Third grades scores are important because it is the final year children are learning to read, after which students are reading to learn. If they are not proficient readers when they begin fourth grade, as much as half of the curriculum they will be taught will be difficult to comprehend.)
- 5. Growth metrics: Student growth is the change in academic achievement (as measured by the grade-level Missouri Assessment Program exams in English language arts and mathematics) for an individual student between two or more points in time. The Missouri Growth Model calculates how much students "grew" relative to predictions.
- **6. Student outcomes:** This measures the percentage of graduates who are college or career ready, percentage of graduates who have earned advanced or vocational credits, or percentage of graduates who are employed, in the military or are seeking further education six months after graduation.



This information can be found on the Show Me KC Schools website. Click on any of the public high schools' profiles and then click on the student performance tab. www.showmekcschools.org/schools/?school cat=school

It can also be found on the DESE website at: www.apps.dese.mo.gov/MCDS/Visualizations.aspx?id=22

FAMILY LOGISTICS

Every family chooses a school for different reasons. We know that logistics is one of the most important factors to consider when choosing a school. How does this school fit into your family's daily routine? Do you need transportation? Does the school offer before and after care? Is breakfast served? These things matter as much as a test score. Consider them carefully when making a decision.



EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Supporting Early Childhood Development at home looks different for each family. While some families utilize childcare others may care for young children at home. There are many FREE early childhood programs and resources to support you on your journey. Below are some ways to help you understand and track your child's development!

- 1. Complete a free online developmental screening (children 4 months to 6 years) for your child and receive their results from a local early childhood professional by visiting www.startatzero.org/asq
- 2. Download the free "Milestone Tracker App" (children 2 months to 5 years) from www.cdc.gov to make sure your child is meeting their developmental milestones.
- 3. Don't forget to check out early childhood resources in the community around you! Your local branch of the KC Public Library is a great place to go for story time and other early childhood activities and resources. www.kclibrary.org

First Steps is Missouri's Early Intervention system that provides services to families with children, birth to three years of age, with disabilities or developmental delays. The program is designed to meet the needs of families related to enhancing their child's development, learning, and participation in family and community life.

MISSOURI FIRST STEPS

For additional information about First Steps, please call or visit the Missouri First Steps website.

PHONE

(866) 583-2392

WEBSITE

mofirststeps.com

EARLY HEAD START

MARC Early Head Start brings education, nutrition, health and parental engagement services to families with children up to age five and pregnant women at home.

PHONE

(816) 841-3382

WEBSITE marcheadstart.org

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Please visit Missouri's
Early Care and Education
Connections for helpful
information about
childcare, family resources
and developmental
milestones.

WEBSITE earlyconnections.mo.gov

HOME VISITING PROGRAMS

Supporting your child's early education starts at home! Home visiting programs partner a family with a parent educator/early childhood professional who provides coaching and education related to parenting a baby or young child and can also provide comprehensive support and connections to services and opportunities depending on your family's needs. Check out the list of **FREE** local home visiting programs.



Parents as Teachers is a program offered through the Kansas City Public Schools district and includes home visiting and other early childhood family services.

www.kcpublicschools.org

SIGN UP:

(816) 418-5245 pateachers@kcpublicschools.org



Start at Zero partners with charter schools and community organizations to provide early childhood family support and home visiting using the Parents as Teachers model.

www.startatzero.org

SIGN UP:

(816) 600-4932 info@startatzero.org



Promise 1000 is a collective of all of the home visiting programs in the Kansas City area. Complete a self-referral on the website and you will be "matched" with a home visiting program that meets your needs.

www.promise1000.org

SIGN UP:

(816) 234-3732 promise1000@cmh.edu



Nurse-Family Partnership is a free home visiting program for first-time parents. When you sign up you will be connected to a nurse who will provide the support, advice and information you need to have a healthy pregnancy and when your baby arrives.

www.nursefamilypartnership.org

CONTACT:

(816) 513-6386 newmoms@nursefamilypartnership.org

PRE-K PROGRAMS

Kansas City has many options if you are looking for Pre-K for your child! When exploring, first learn about your options and consider where you might like your child to attend Kindergarten. Also, consider your ability to pay, as some options are free and some require families to pay all or some of the cost.

H H H We use the term "Pre-K" to refer to the classroom education options for 3 and 4 year olds, which are typically the 2 years before a child enters kindergarten. You may also hear the words "preschool" or "early childhood education" or "child care" used to mean something similar. Always ask for clarification to make sure you understand what a program includes.

FREE Pre-K seats are available through Kansas City Public Schools, Charter Schools and community-based providers. Some of these seats are for children who qualify based on income. It is best to go through the application process to see if you qualify. You will be asked to either fill out a "free and reduced lunch" form or provide proof of income documents.

The Kansas City Public School district offers **FREE** Pre-K in 4 different settings for students as young as 3 years old:

- 1. Early childhood centers serving Head Start students (3 locations)
- 2. Neighborhood elementary school Pre-K classrooms
- 3. Signature school Pre-K classrooms (AC Prep, Border Star and Holliday)
- 4. Early Childhood Special Education

Visit www.kcpublicschools.org/schools/early-learning for the most up-to-date information on these options.

Charter schools often have FREE Pre-K options in various settings for children as young as 3 years old:

- 1. Pre-K classrooms at elementary schools (Academy for Integrated Arts, Brookside Charter School, Frontier School of Innovation, Guadalupe Centers Schools)
- 2. Off-site partner locations

Some private schools have tuition-based Pre-K. As you explore this guide, you will see that some schools list grade levels that start at "PK." If you are interested in learning more, reach out directly to any of the schools in this guide.

TIP!

Students in need of Early Childhood Special Education should reach out to the KCPS Early Childhood Special Education office at (816) 418-5292.

TRANSPORTATION



Most early childhood and preschool programs do not provide transportation. Even though some Pre-K programs are connected to elementary schools, bus transportation usually begins at kindergarten. However, if your child qualifies for early childhood special education they may also qualify for transportation.



Whether you are seeking full-time childcare or a part-time preschool option, the right spot for your early learner is out there waiting for you! Follow these steps to ensure you explore all of your options:

STEP #1

Some Pre-K programs are connected to elementary schools, so if you have an idea of where you want your child to attend kindergarten, check with that school to see if they have a Pre-K program that your child is eligible for. Students who participate in these Pre-K programs may have a priority in that school's lottery process for kindergarten.

- SchoolAppKC common application platform partners with many schools to offer
 FREE Pre-K seats. Find out more and apply at www.schoolappkc.org
- Kansas City Public Schools has a variety of FREE Pre-K seats available. Find out more and apply at www.enrollkc.org
- Some private schools also have Pre-K. Visit www.showmekcschools.org to find out more.

STEP #2



Does your child qualify for FREE Pre-K through Head Start? Head Start is a federally funded program for children ages birth through 5 years. Eligibility is based on income and other factors. Several early education centers in Kansas City are "Head Start" sites.

To find out more and apply: visit: www.marcheadstart.org call: (816) 841-3382 email: marcheadstart@marc.org

STEP #3



ChildCare Aware is a comprehensive list compiled by the state of Missouri which includes early childhood centers, preschools connected to schools, faith-based, community-based, in-home providers, and more.

Simply enter some information about your child and family, and ChildCare Aware will show you the preschool and childcare options that meet your criteria, and will determine if your child qualifies for "child care subsidy."

Visit ChildCare Aware at: www.mochildcareaware.org/ child-care-search

ONE-ON-ON NAVIGATION

WE KNOW IT'S A LOT, AND WE CAN HELP!

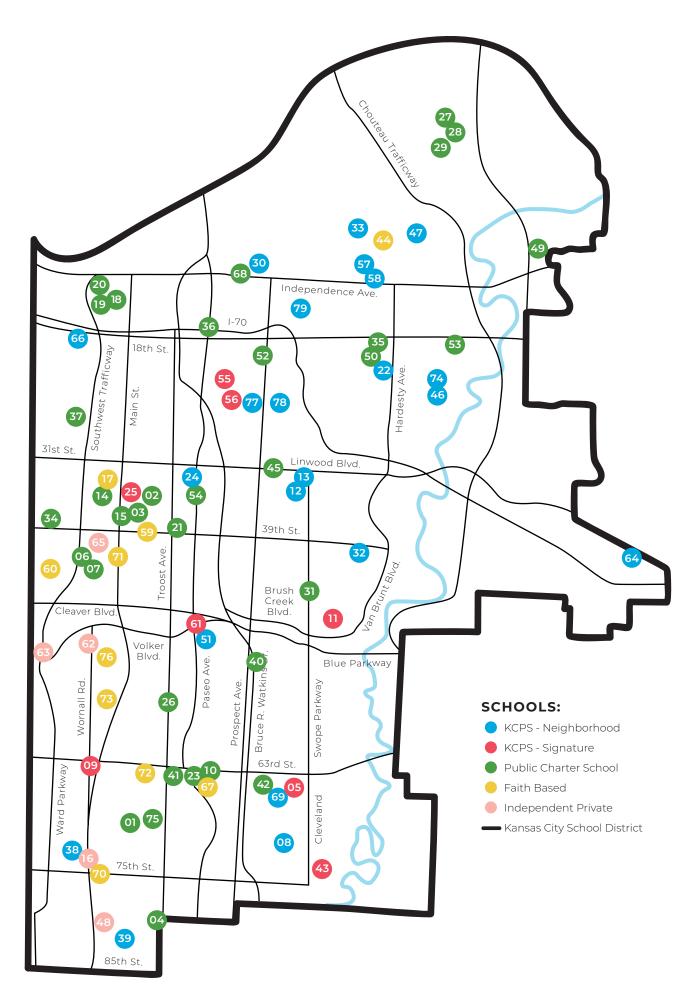
Get connected to a navigator who can support you through the search for Pre-K.

Call or text: (816) 490-1922 Email: hello@showmekcschools.org

WHAT IS "CHILD CARE SUBSIDY"?

Finding quality, affordable child care can be hard, but help is available. The Child Care Subsidy
Program assists eligible families with the cost of child care when they are working, training, or attending school. Apply for the Child Care Subsidy Program at www.childcare.mo.gov/s/parent-landing

Call 866-892-3228 for support in completing your application or finding eligible childcare providers.



SCHOOLS LOCATED IN THE KCPS BOUNDARIES

- 1. Académie Lafayette Oak St. Campus (PK-5)
- 2. Académie Lafayette Cherry St. Campus (PK-5)
- Academie Lafayette Armor St. Campus (6-11; growing to 6-12)
- 4. Academy for Integrated Arts (PK-6)
- 5. African-Centered College Prep (PK-8)
- 6. Allen Village Charter School (PK-8)
- 7. Allen Village High School (9-12)
- 8. Benjamin Banneker Elementary (K-6)
- 9. Border Star Montessori (PK-6)
- 10. Brookside Charter School (PK-8)
- 11. Carver Dual Language Elementary (PK-6)
- 12. Central High School (9-12)
- 13. Central Middle School (7-8)
- 14. Citizens of the World KC Elementary School (PK-5)
- 15. Citizens of the World KC Middle School (6-8)
- 16. City of Fountains (PK-6)
- 17. Cristo Rey Kansas City (9-12)
- 18. Crossroads Central St. (PK-6)
- 19. Crossroads Quality Hill (PK-5)
- 20. Crossroads Preparatory Academy (7-12)
- 21. DeLaSalle Education Center (9-12)
- 22. East High School (9-12)
- 23. Ewing Marion Kauffman School (5-12)
- 24. Faxon Elementary (K-6)
- 25. Foreign Language Academy (K-8)
- 26. Frontier School of Excellence (6-12)
- 27. Frontier School of Innovation (4-8)
- 28. Frontier School of Innovation (PK-3)
- 29. Frontier STEM High School (9-12)
- 30. Garfield Elementary (K-6)
- 31. Genesis School (PK-8)
- 32. George Melcher Elementary (K-6)
- 33. Gladstone Elementary (K-6)
- 34. Gordon Parks Elementary (PK-4)
- 35. Guadalupe Centers Elementary School (PK-5)
- 36. Guadalupe Centers High School (9-12)
- 37. Guadalupe Centers Middle School (6-8)
- 38. Hale Cook Elementary (PK-6)
- 39. Hartman Elementary (PK-6)
- 40. Hogan Prep Academy Elementary School (PK-5)
- 41. Hogan Prep Academy High School (9-12)
- 42. Hogan Prep Academy Middle School (6-8)
- 43. Holliday Montessori (PK-6)
- 44. Holy Cross School (PK-8)
- 45. Hope Leadership Academy (K-4)
- 46. J.A. Rogers Elementary (PK-6)

- 47. James Elementary (K-6)
- 48. Kansas City Academy (6-12)
- 49. KC International Academy (PK-8)
- 50. Kansas City Girls Prep Academy (5-9; growing 5-12)
- 51. King Elementary (K-6)
- 52. KIPP: Endeavor Academy (PK-8)
- 53. KIPP: Legacy High School (9-11; growing 9-12)
- 54. Lee A. Tolbert Community Academy (PK-8)
- 55. Lincoln College Preparatory Academy (9-12)
- 56. Lincoln Middle School (6-8)
- 57. Northeast High School (9-12)
- 58. Northeast Middle School (7-8)
- 59. Notre Dame de Sion Grade School (PK-8)60. Our Lady of Hope Catholic School (K-8)
- 61. Paseo Academy of Fine and Performing Arts (7-12)
- 7. Fuseo Academy of the and Ferrorming Arts (7
- 62. The Pembroke Hill School, Lower Grades (PK-5)
- 63. The Pembroke Hill School, Upper Grades (6-12)
- 64. Pitcher Elementary (PK-6)
- 65. The Plaza Academy (7-12)
- 66. Primitivo Garcia Elementary (PK-6)
- 67. Providence School of Arts (K-8)
- 68. Scuola Vita Nuova (K-8)
- 69. Southeast High School (9-12)
- 70. St. Elizabeth Elementary School (PK-8)
- 71. St. Paul's Episcopal Day School (PK-8)
- 72. St. Peter's School (PK-8)
- 73. St. Teresa's Academy (9-12)
- 74. Trailwoods Elementary (K-6)
- 75. University Academy (PK-12)
- 76. Visitation School (K-8)
- 77. Wendell Phillips (K-6)
- 78. Wheatley Elementary School (K-6)
- 79. Whittier Elementary School (K-6)

Independent-private and faith-based high schools outside of the KCPS boundaries, but featured in this guide:

- Barstow School (PK-12)
- Bishop Miege High School (9-12)
- Lutheran High School of KC (9-12)
- · Notre Dame de Sion High School (9-12)
- · Rockhurst High School (9-12)
- St. Pius X Catholic High School (9-12)
- Whitefield Academy (PK-12)



SPECIALIZED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Kansas City and the state of Missouri offer several programs for students needing or interested in specialized instruction. This guide provides a brief summary. Please contact the programs listed below for more information.

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL

Success Academy at KCPS - Success Academy's mission is to work to provide a positive, safe and consistent school environment that encourages obtaining academic goals, improved attendance rates, increased parent involvement and rehabilitated behavior. We believe all students have the talent and potential to succeed.

Visit: www.kcpublicschools.org

CAREER AND TECHNICAL TRAINING

Manual Career and Technical Center (MCTC) is a center for KCPS high school students and charter school students. Students generally attend MCTC for a portion of the day during their 11th or 12th grade years in addition to taking classes at their high schools. MCTC offers career and technical programs at three sites that are taught by professionals who are experts in their fields and often include partnerships with local companies.

MCTC MAIN CAMPUS PROGRAMS: Automotive Collision Repair, Automotive Technology, Barber, Cosmetology and Manicure, Construction Technology, Pro Start – Culinary Arts, Digital Marketing and Media, Educator Prep, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Health Science, Project Lead the Way and Water Management

EAST CAMPUS PROGRAM: Agriculture

Visit: manual.kcpublicschools.org

COLLEGE PROGRAMS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Early College Academy is a partnership between the Kansas City Public Schools and Metropolitan Community College – Penn Valley for highly motivated high school students who are ready to participate in the rigors of college. Students earn high school credits while also earning college credits as they attend classes, full-time, on a college campus.

Visit: eca.kcpublicschools.org

HOMESCHOOLING IN MO

For information on Homeschooling in Missouri visit and connect with the following organizations.

Midwest Parent Educators midwesthomeschoolers.org

Families for Home Education fhe-mo.org

INTERNATIONAL WELCOME CENTER

The KCPS International Welcome Center is a unique and innovative site that provides comprehensive support to the immigrant, migrant, refugee and non-native English speaking families in our community. Located on the 2nd floor of Woodland Early Learning Center, our goal is to provide a seamless transition to life and school in Kansas City.

Upon entering our Center, community members will be welcomed by our bilingual support assistant and parent liaisons. Parents can enroll in our space and we will help clarify the needed documents and vaccines to start school as soon as possible. We can do anything necessary to support our families in several different languages including:

- Spanish
- Swahili
- Kinyamulenge
- Burmese

- Arabic
- Kinyarwanda
- Somali

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Visit: kcpublicschools.org or email languageservices@kcpublicschools.org

PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION

EVENING ACADEMY: is a high school program designed for students looking for a flexible pathway toward graduation. Students will earn credits toward a traditional high school diploma. Students can enroll as a full time Evening Academy student, part-time student, or dual-enrolled student. Students who are behind can catch up in a safe, supportive environment while being dual-enrolled at their home high school or enrolled as a full time Evening Academy student. Students can also create room in their schedule for additional courses and electives by taking credits through Evening Academy.

Contact: Evening Academy Director at (816) 418-5276

FLIPSIDE ACADEMY AT DELASALLE: DeLaSalle's academy for the Missouri Options Program—a statesupported alternative designed for students ages 17–20 who need a different path to graduation. Through FlipSide, eligible students can earn their GED based on academic competency, while also working toward a DeLaSalle High School Diploma.

Visit: delasallekc.org

MIDDLE COLLEGE: is for students looking for an unconventional path for high school graduation and a college education. Designed for students 17-24 years old who dropped out of the KCPS system, students who enroll in Middle College are typically missing just a couple credits from graduating. Through this program, students earn their high school diploma or GED and then build college and career skills. The partnership between Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS), Full Employment Council and MCC-Penn Valley Community College offers students a blended learning instructional model that will utilize Gradpoint online coursework and direct instruction to provide students the necessary support needed for academic success.

Contact: Middle College Program Director at (816) 604-1661

THE MISSOURI OPTION PROGRAM: offers the opportunity to earn a high school diploma for students who are at least 17 years of age, enrolled in a school and at risk of dropping out or not graduating with their cohort group. The Missouri Option Program is competency-based and approved by the State Board of Education. The program utilizes a high school equivalency exam (HSE) in addition to other program requirements. The Missouri State Board of Education has approved two HSE tests in Missouri:

- GED® (General Educational Development) Test, provided by GED Testing Service (GEDTS®)
- **HiSET®** (High School Equivalency Test), provided by PSI Services.

Missouri Option students who successfully pass the exam and complete all other program requirements are eligible to receive a high school diploma.

Contact: The Missouri Option office at desemooption@dese.mo.gov or 573-751-4104 for more information.



STUDENTS EXPERIENCING HOUSELESSNESS

Students are entitled by law to continue at their schools even if their family becomes houseless during the school year. According to the McKinney-Vento Act, schools must make provisions for children and families who are in this position including providing free transportation to and from school even if a student is staying outside of the school district boundaries. It is the responsibility of the family to inform their child's school about their housing status so that the school can begin providing necessary services.

Visit: www.kcpublicschools.org/families/students-in-transition

Contact: For Charters, contact individual schools.

VIRTUAL OPTIONS

KANSAS CITY VIRTUAL ACADEMY: Students complete virtual courses 100% online and have 24/7 access to lessons that are fully aligned to the Missouri Learning Standards. Students work independently with the support of a KCPS teacher.

Visit: www.kcva.kcpublicschools.org

BROOKSIDE CHARTER SCHOOL VIRTUAL ACADEMY: A K-8 virtual school offering a personalized, engaging education designed for today's learners.

Visit: www.brooksidecharter.org/bva

SPECIAL EDUCATION

It is the right of all children with disabilities in the United States to have Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE). This is guaranteed by the federal government under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA).

INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PLAN (IEP)

FAPE and IDEA mean that all public schools (both district and charter) must create a specialized academic plan, referred to as an Individualized Education Plan (IEP), for children with special needs. They must do this within 30 calendar days after the child is determined eligible. However, it is important to remember that just because a child has a disability or impairment, they may not automatically qualify for special education services. The IEP process must be followed in order to qualify and receive services.

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Facilitated IEP (FIEP) meetings are now available by request through the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's website. Parents and school personnel are finding that the use of an independent facilitator can assist in the IEP team process. A facilitator is a neutral person who helps guide the student-centered focus of the meeting.

504 PLAN

Some students with disabilities may not require an IEP under the IDEA, however, they may qualify for a 504 plan under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. A 504 plan is a blueprint or plan for how a child will have access to learning at school. It provides services and changes to the learning environment to meet the needs of the child as adequately as other students.

To qualify for a 504 plan, there are two requirements:

- 1. A child has any disability, which can include many learning or attention issues.
- 2. The disability must interfere with the child's ability to learn in a general education classroom.

Section 504 has a broader definition of a disability than IDEA. It says a disability must substantially limit one or more basic life activities, such as learning. Therefore, a child who doesn't qualify for an IEP might still be able to get a 504 plan.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) Office of Special Education

Phone: (573) 751-5739 Fax: (573) 526-4404

specialeducation@dese.mo.gov

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION COMPLIANCE

Phone: (573) 751-06990 secompliance@dese.mo.gov



DID YOU KNOW?

Our School Navigators are available for free to help you navigate options for your student.

CALL (816) 535-0656

SCHOOLS FOR EXCEPTIONAL LEARNERS

CORNERSTONES OF CARE-GILLIS SCHOOL

AGES SERVED: 6-19 GRADES SERVED: K-12

8150 Wornall Rd Kansas City, MO 64114 (816) 508-3500

www.cornerstonesofcare.org

FOCUS: Intensive combination of

special education and therapy services

KVC NILES

GRADES SERVED: K-12

1911 E. 23rd St. Kansas City, M0 64127 Phone: (866) 582-2273 Admissions: (913) 890-7468 www.hospitals.kvc.org FOCUS: Trauma-Focused Care and on-site therapeutic services

HORIZON ACADEMY

SHERWOOD AUTISM CENTER

GRADES SERVED: 1-12

4901 Reinhardt Dr Roland Park, KS 66205 (913) 789-9443

(913) 789-9443 www.horizon-academy.org **FOCUS:** Dyslexia, Auditory Processing Disorder, Dysgraphia, Receptive Language Disorder, Dyscalculia, ADHD

FOCUS: Autism

Spectrum Disorder

AGES SERVED: 5-21 GRADES: K-12

8030 Ward Parkway Plaza Kansas City, MO 64114 Phone: (816) 333-3344 www.sherwoodcenter.org

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ALLIES ACADEMY

GRADES SERVED: K-12

10330 Hickman Mills Dr. Kansas City, MO 64137 (816) 501-5318 www.behavioralhealth.org

FOCUS

Academy students are supported by special education teachers, behavioral specialists, and paraprofessionals. We provide in-person, year-round educational services for students in grades K-12 who are experiencing behavioral health challenges due to developmental disabilities.

KANSAS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS (KCPS) AND PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

Both KCPS and charter schools offer many special education services to students who live in the KCPS boundaries.

- KCPS: Call (816) 418-8941 or visit them at www.kcpublicschools.org
- Charters: Contact individual charter schools for information about their special education services

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Some private schools in the KCPS boundaries also serve children with special needs. Please check with individual private schools to confirm which schools provide services appropriate for your child.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- **Missouri Parents Act (MPACT):** MPACT's staff is made up of parents of children with disabilities, therapists and educators who can help to answer some of your questions. Find out about the services offered at MPACT at 1-800-743-7634.
- Foundation for Inclusive Religious Education (FIRE): Several local Catholic schools welcome students with special needs into classrooms through the FIRE Foundation. The FIRE Foundation, an independent, non-profit organization, makes it possible for partner Catholic schools to hire special educators and paraprofessionals and to acquire learning materials and technology that create successful learning experiences for all children. You can learn more about their services and their school partners at www.firefoundation.org



Black Leaders Advancing Quality Urban Education Kansas City, BLAQUE KC, is a grassroots movement of parents, teachers, young leaders, and advocates unapologetically focused on improving the academic, economic, social, emotional, and life outcomes of children in urban schools.

We are empowering a new generation of leaders in Kansas City, equipping them with the tools to advocate effectively for our children. Our fight for quality education for students relies on the strength of our community, amplifying the voices of parents, teachers, and civic leaders.

OUR VALUES



We center the needs of students

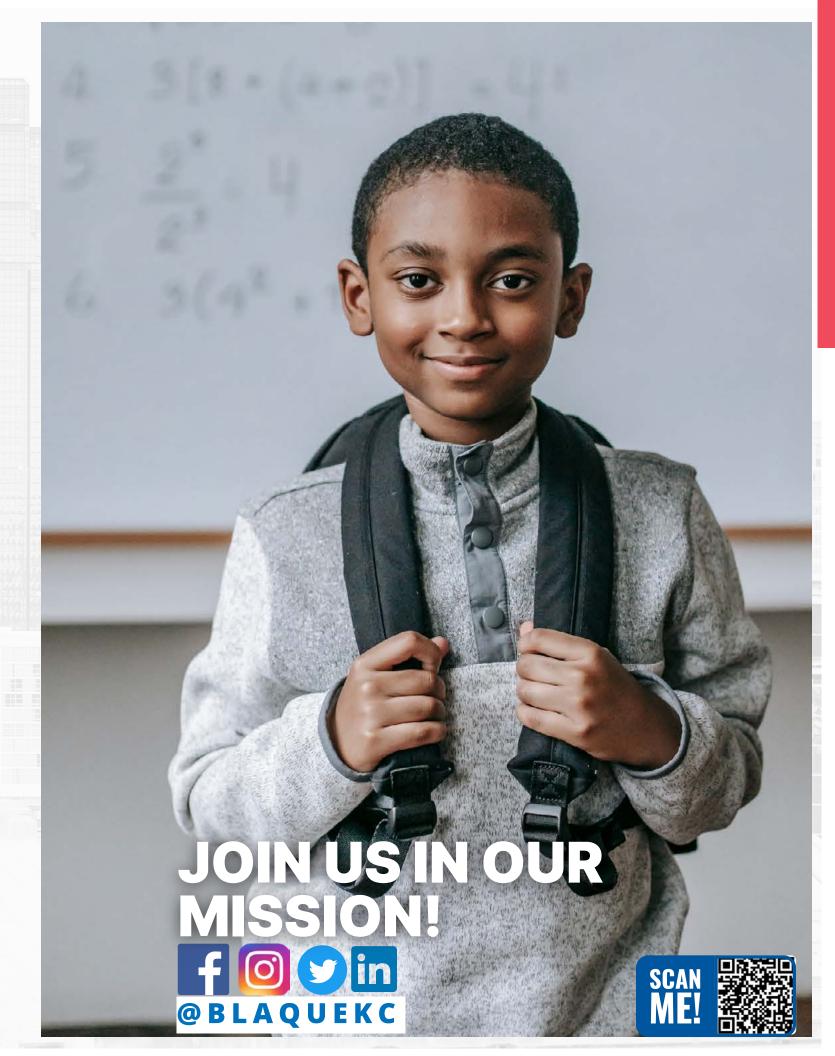


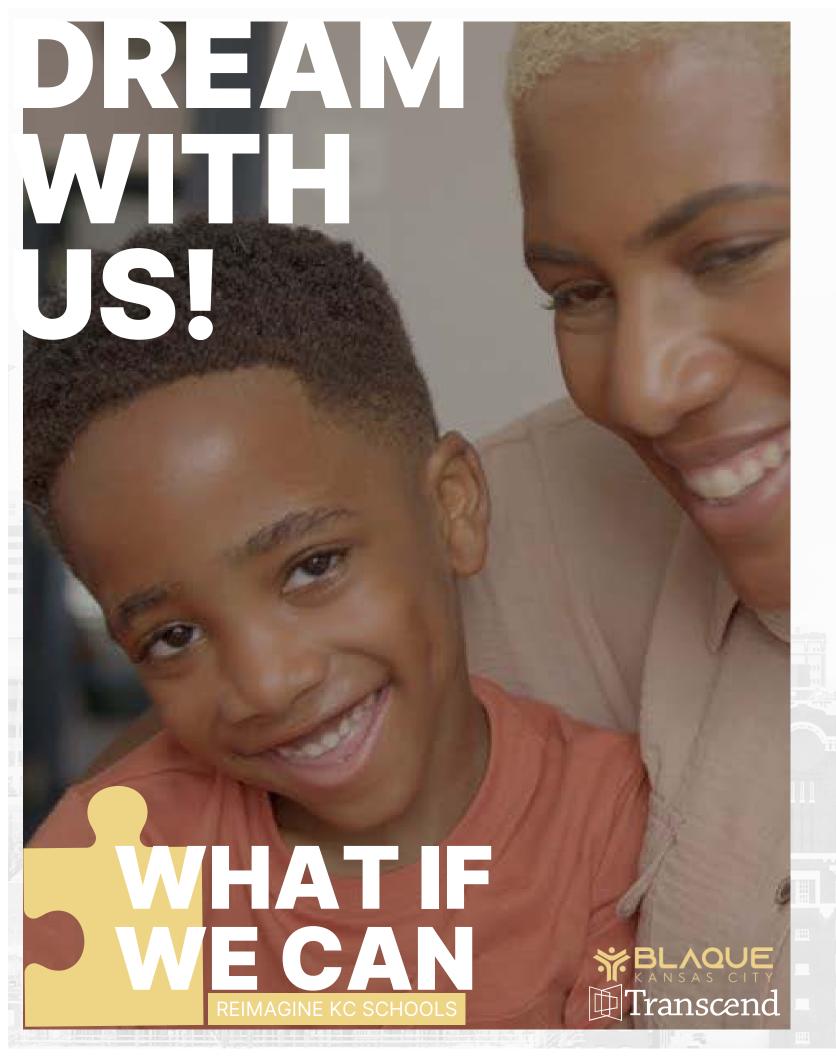
We elevate parent and family voices



We work with & not do to community

From launching innovative literacy programs to supporting diverse school board leadership, BLAQUE KC is shaping a new narrative for public education. A narrative built on equity, excellence, and collective power.







WHATIF WECAN

Across Kansas City, families, educators, and community leaders are asking bold new questions: What would it take to create schools that feel like home? Where joy lives, culture is celebrated, and every child feels a deep sense of belonging?

What If We Can is a citywide invitation to dream differently and design boldly. This campaign brings together voices from across the city to imagine schools that center identity, honor community wisdom, and reflect the dreams we hold for the next generation.

In partnership with Transcend, BLAQUE KC is co-creating a communitydriven playbook that outlines what schools must offer when they open in Kansas City, especially for the families furthest from opportunity.

Through deep listening and collective visioning, we're shaping a future where students feel seen and supported, educators are trusted and empowered, and families are welcomed to co-create what education should look like in Kansas City.

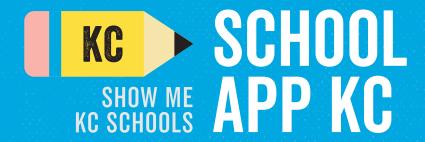
We are committed to building learning environments where every child is known by name, rooted in culture, and prepared for a future they help shape.

Be part of the change.

Visit BLAQUEKC.COM/whatIf to explore the vision, stay informed, and discover how you can help shape the future of education in Kansas City.

Together we can reimagine KC schools!





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IMPLE ONLINE

FOR A LIST OF PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS, PLEASE VISIT WWW.SCHOOLAPPKC.ORG



IMPORTANT DATES

Applications open:

NOVEMBER

Submit application:

MARCH

Receive school* offers:

MARCH

*Families may choose to remain on waitlists.

FOR EXACT DATES,
PLEASE VISIT
WWW.SCHOOLAPPKC.ORG



SCHOOLAPPKC FAQ'S

Q: How do I apply?

Submit an application at www.schoolappkc.org. Create an account, fill out a few short questions, then select the schools you want your child to attend.

Q: How long does it take to apply online? Typically, the application process should take less

than 5 minutes. Once you are offered and accept a seat, the school will follow up with you about its enrollment process.

Q: What if I do not have access to a computer?

You can submit the application from a mobile device or you can contact a SchoolAppKC school for assistance. Please call Show Me KC Schools Navigations Services at (816) 535-0656.

Q: How many schools can I apply to?

You can apply to as many as you would like, but we encourage you to learn about all the options and apply to the schools you think are best for your child.

Q: Can I accept a seat at more than one school?

No, families must choose one school. Once you select a school, the other offers will expire, but your waitlist spots will not disappear until you remove yourself.

Q: How do schools decide who gets in?

Lotteries will be conducted at schools that have more applicants than available seats. Students with siblings attending any given school do receive sibling preference. Some schools also offer priorities for children of staff members, and some schools give geographic or zip code preferences. Contact each school you are interested in to learn more about their admissions policies.

Q: How do I know if I get in?

If your child is offered a seat, the SchoolAppKC system will automatically notify you after the lottery by text and/or email. You will need to log into your account to accept the offer and then complete the enrollment process at that school to secure your child's seat.

Q: What happens if I miss the deadline?

You can still apply to participating schools after the deadline. If a school has space available, you will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. For schools that do not have space available, you will be placed on a waitlist in the order that your application was received.

Q: My child already has a school, do they still need to apply?

You only need to apply using SchoolAppKC if your child is interested in attending a different school for the new school year than they currently attend. If your child is planning to stay at their current school, consult your school's re-enrollment policy.

Q: What do I do if I am waitlisted?

Do not be discouraged if you are on a waitlist. As other families accept and decline seats, you will see your waitlist number fluctuate. If you have your heart set on a school you are welcome to remain on a waitlist; however, there is no guarantee a seat will open.

Q: Can I accept a seat at a school while remaining on a waitlist of another school?

Yes! You can accept a seat and still remain on waitlists at other schools, but you can only accept one offer at a time.

Q: Is SchoolAppKC open to anyone?

SchoolAppKC streamlines the school application process for families in the Kansas City Public Schools boundaries. It is a special project of Show Me KC Schools. Learn more at www.schoolappkc.org.





SchoolAppKC is a program of Show Me KC Schools. SchoolAppKC makes it easier for families to manage the school application process. Many families struggle to keep track of multiple applications and deadlines. With SchoolAppKC, families can apply to multiple schools through one simple application.

We aim to bring Kansas City area schools together to create a more streamlined application process for families and schools that is more transparent, accessible, and equitable for all. For more information go to www.schoolappkc.org.



PRE-K TO GRADUATION KCPS IS WITH YOU EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

Kansas City Public Schools (**KCPS**) offers a wide range of high-quality options for every stage of your child's educational journey. Whether you're looking for a neighborhood school close to home or a specialized signature school, KCPS has a place for your family.

TWO TYPES OF SCHOOLS

NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS

- Assigned by home address
- Enroll anytime
- Great for community close to home
- No admissions critéria

SIGNATURE SCHOOLS

- Apply + lottery required
- Application opens in NovemberGreat for specialized learning
- Some eligibility requirements

ARTS, ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

KCPS has expanded access to arts, athletics, and extracurricular activities across all schools—giving every student the opportunity to explore their interests, discover new passions, and grow beyond the classroom.

- Visual & Performing Arts Band, choir, dance, fine arts, orchestra and
- Athletics Programs Competitive sports for all levels
- Clubs & Enrichment Field trips, Lego League, robotics, student leadership opportunities, and much more

SUPPORT FOR ALL LEARNERS

KCPS is committed to meeting the unique needs of every student by providing support services.

- English Language Learners Multi-lingual support and language develop-
- **Special Education** Individualized services
- Students in Transition Dedicated resources to ensure stability and success

SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS

STUDENTS MUST BE 3. 4. OR 5 YEARS OLD BY JULY 31ST.

NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS (ENROLL ANYTIME)

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

- Benjamin Banneker Elementary
- Faxon Elementary
- Garfield Elementary
- George Melcher Elementary
- Gladstone Elementary
- Hale Cook Elementary
- James Elementary
- J.A. Rogers Elementary
- John T. Hartman Elementary • Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary
- Phillis Wheatley Elementary
- Pitcher Elementary
- Primitivo Garcia Elementary
- Success Academy at Knotts

- Trailwoods Elementary
- Wendell Phillips Elementary
- Whittier Elementary

MIDDLE SCHOOLS

- Central Middle School
- Northeast Middle School
- Success Academy at Anderson

HIGH SCHOOLS

- Central High School
- East High School
- Northeast High School
- Southeast High School
- Success Academy at Anderson

SIGNATURE SCHOOLS (APPLICATION REQUIRED)

- African-Centered Prep (PK-8)
- Border Star Montessori (PK-6)
- Foreign Language Academy (K-8)
- George Washington Carver Dual Language (K-6)
- Harold L. Holliday Montessori (PK-6)
- Lincoln College Prep Middle (6-8)
- Lincoln College Prep High (9–12)
- Paseo Academy of Fine & Performing Arts (7–12)

EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS (APPLICATION REQUIRED)

KCPS offers free, high-quality early childhood education through

- **Head Start** School readiness with whole-family support
- Montessori Pre-K Hands-on, child-led learning through 6th grade
 Traditional Pre-K Play-based, school-readiness programs

TIMELINE FOR SIGNATURE SCHOOLS & EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS

- Application Opens: NOVEMBER
- Lottery Runs: FEBRUARY
- Seat Acceptance Deadline: MARCH



READY TO LEARN MORE OR TAKE THE NEXT STEP?

Complete the inquiry form to connect with the KCPS admissions team and discover the best option for your family.

www.kcpublicschools.org/enroll/explore





Supports for Academic,

Emotional, & Physical

Well-being





APPLICATION AND ENROLLMENT

APPLICATION

Applying to a school let's them know you are interested in your student attending.

ENROLLMENT

- Providing key documents to the school regarding your student in order for them to attend. Enrollment takes place after you have applied and are offered a seat.
- **RE-ENROLLMENT**
- Verifying with the school that your student will be returning the following school year.

KANSAS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- · Apply online: www.enrollkc.org
- Signature Schools that have more applications than seats will have a lottery after the application deadline.
- Technical Support to complete the online application is available at KCPS' Central Office (2901 Troost Ave.) or you can call for support at (816) 418-7505.

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

- A number of public charter schools have joined together to share a common application online which allows you to apply to several schools at once: www.schoolappkc.org
- Contact public charter schools not participating in SchoolAppKC directly to pick up an application or to complete an online application.
- Public charter schools that have more applications than seats will have a lottery after the application deadline.

FAITH-BASED & INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SCHOOLS

- Each faith-based and independent private school has its own unique application.
- Please contact each school's admissions coordinator for enrollment questions.

KEY DOCUMENTS MOST SCHOOLS REQUIRE

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- · Completed application
- · Proof of age
- · Current Immunization Record or Religious Exemption Statement
- · Most recent report card/transcript (not required for Kindergarten applicants)

PUBLIC SCHOOLS ALSO REQUIRE

- · Proof of address (also called "Proof of Residency")
- · Parent or guardian photo ID

SCHOOL PROFILES

The information included on the following pages gives you a peek into the many school options available for students who live within the boundaries of the Kansas City Public Schools. It's a great place to start. We encourage you to mark the schools that interest you and then, when you're ready to dig more deeply, visit our website, www.showmekcschools.org. There you'll find even more statistics as well as photos and even some points of pride for each school.

The data included are collected from individual schools and/or publicly available government sources and is accurate as of January 2025.

KEY



Before care is available at the school



Aftercare is available at the school



Tuition is charged



Transportation is provided



Uniforms are required



www.schoolappkc.org

HOW TO READ THE SCHOOL CATEGORIES KEY

Schools are categorized by colors representing unique traits of the school, which may appeal to different learners:

NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

SIGNATURE SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

The key will appear at the top of the left-hand page throughout the school profiles section and the name of each school corresponds to the school type.

In the example below, the school offers before and aftercare, transportation, does not charge for tuition and uniforms are not required.























KCPS NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS

Neighborhood schools are tuition-free public schools that are part of Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS). Any child who lives in the KCPS boundaries, is guaranteed a seat at their neighborhood school. Sometimes families choose to request a neighborhood school in a different neighborhood and this request is granted by KCPS when space allows.

KCPS FEEDER SYSTEM

Kansas City Public Schools have a path that aims to keep students who are in the same neighborhood elementary school together for their whole K-12 career. Students who attend elementary or middle school at a KCPS *signature* school, can jump onto this path when they're ready for high school.

VISIT WWW.SHOWMEKCSCHOOLS.ORG FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE FEEDER PATTERNS

WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS



PUBLIC SCHOOL



Students must live in the KCPS BOUNDARIES



GOVERNED BY KCPS and publicly elected school board

ENROLL ONLINE

at www.enrollkc.org



NO TUITION





EVERYONE is guaranteed a seat

BENJAMIN BANNEKER ELEMENTARY

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

7050 Askew Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64132 (816) 418-1850

GRADES: K-6

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 500

POINTS OF PRIDE

- As a one-to-one school, every student at Banneker has their own technology device offering their teachers the flexibility to use innovative teaching opportunities.
- Community Partnerships are very important to their school;
 My Brother's Keeper, Girls on the Run and Girl Scouts and
 Boy Scouts regularly serve within their school.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org

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CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

3221 Indiana Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64128 (816) 418-2000

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:20 a.m. - 2:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 540

POINTS OF PRIDE

- JROTC We have a dynamic JROTC team. JROTC is a first class citizenship program that is dedicated to develop responsible students who upon graduation from high school are better prepared to be successful I college and careers.
- A+ program Graduates who qualify may be eligible to receive financial assistance with tuition and fees to any public community college, vocational, or technical school in the state of Missouri, contingent upon continued funding by the Missouri Legislature.
- 20/20 Leadership Program High School Seniors participate in an 18-month program to develop five crucial personal, professional and leadership traits in the focus areas of Education, Personal Development, Career Readiness and Community.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org













CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

3611 E. Linwood, Kansas City, MO 64128 (816) 418-2100

GRADES: 7-8

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 400**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Wide array of student driven activities and clubs
- · We work with community organizations, like City Year
- Mentoring programs

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org















Trib Table East High School OOLS, PLEASE VISIT WWW.SHOWMEKCSCHOO

EAST HIGH SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

1924 Van Brunt Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64127 (816) 418-3125

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:20 a.m. - 2:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 1,075

POINTS OF PRIDE

- East has a diverse student population with 50+ languages spoken every day; support programs are provided to help English Language Learners succeed in school.
- · East's award-winning agriculture program is the largest program in the western side of Missouri.
- East is a Neighborhood School that serves any student where they are when they walk through the doors.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org













FAXON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

1320 E. 32nd Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64109 (816) 418-6525

GRADES: K-6

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 300**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Faxon Elementary considers the whole child. To support our high expectations for student learning, we provide students with a rigorous curriculum, tutoring, and daily intervention when needed.
- · All students attend Encore classes that introduce them to art, music, physical education, library and STEM activities through Project Lead the Way.
- · We partner with many community organizations providing Robotics, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Girls on the Run to name

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by Jul 31















GARFIELD ELEMENTARY

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

436 Prospect Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64124 (816) 418-3600

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 490**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Garfield has a very diverse population of students from over 20 different countries.
- · We are a Trauma Sensitive School.
- · Garfield is a multiple Bronze Award winner from the Missouri Positive Behavior Intervention Support.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org







GLADSTONE ELEMENTARY

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

335 N. Elmwood, Kansas City, MO 64123 (816) 418-3950

GRADES: K-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 400**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Challenging each student to reach their full potential.
- · Celebrating the unique strengths of every child.
- · Fostering strong partnerships between school, home and neighborhood.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org















GEORGE MELCHER ELEMENTARY

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

3958 Chelsea, Kansas City, MO 64130 (816) 418-6725

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 330**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Melcher has a philosophy that "You can when you believe you can."
- · We have an array of diverse community partnerships to provide tutoring, support and student assistance.
- · We offer many activities for students after school, such as cheer and robotics.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org

















HALE COOK ELEMENTARY

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

7302 Pennsylvania Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64114 (816) 418-1601

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 360**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Our vision is to equip students to be resourceful, critical thinkers who are making a positive change in their community. We utilize a set of core values that become our focus for the month and are a designated No Place for Hate school.
- · Our students consistently perform at or above the district and state average on standardized assessments. Our MAP scores demonstrate our staff's commitment to student achievement.
- · Hale Cook stakeholders are dedicated to our mission! We have an incredibly active PTA, a community that supports our efforts, and dedicated families committed to improving our school.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

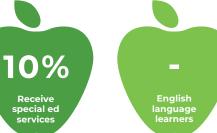












HARTMAN ELEMENTARY

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

8111 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64114 (816) 418-1750

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 380**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Hartman is best known for its outstanding culture; with a caring, nurturing staff, Hartman teachers and staff focus on a childcentered program with the desire of developing the whole student.
- · The main focuses at Hartman are attendance, attitude and achievement. Hartman is a family-friendly school that also partners with community organizations to provide additional support for students throughout the school year.
- · School leadership hosts town hall meetings throughout the course of the school year to empower students to have a voice and become a part of the solution. Students not only develop leadership skills, they also grow in their love of learning.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org







J.A. ROGERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

6400 E. 23rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64129 (816) 418-4770

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 600**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- A Joyful Community
- · Dedicated Educators
- · Empowering Future Leaders

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org



















JAMES ELEMENTARY

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

5810 Scarritt Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64123 (816) 418-3700

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 260**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Active participation in recycling and environmental programs.
- · Rich, culturally, diverse community and climate.
- · Involved, supportive and encouraging families.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

















MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. ELEMENTARY

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

4848 Woodland Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64110 (816) 418-2475

GRADES: K-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 550**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School is fortunate to have veteran classroom teachers who have a passion for serving K-6 scholars.
- · Our commitment to increase student achievement and to engage every learner, every day is evident in our practice.
- · Constuction has begun, the new King Empowerment Campus coming soon.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org







NORTHEAST HIGH SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

415 Van Brunt Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64124 (816) 418-3300

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:20 a.m. - 2:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 700**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Home of one of the most diverse student populations in Kansas City, Northeast celebrates and fosters diversity every day.
- · Northeast High offers a New Americans class to help newcomers adapt to the new school environment as they start the process of becoming literate in English. The ELL program provides support to meet all students where they are to become successful in the classroom.
- · The Junior Reserved Officer Training Corps program at Northeast is instrumental in preparing high school students to become self-confident, successful leaders in the classroom and in the community.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org













NORTHEAST MIDDLE SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

4904 Independence Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64124 (816) 418-3400

GRADES: 7-8

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 560**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Honors Programs: Algebra, Science and History
- · Class within a class for Exceptional Ed, as well as Essential Skills for the medically fragile
- · New American Program 19 languages spoken among our 7th and 8th graders

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org















PITCHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

9915 E. 38th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64133 (816) 418-4550

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 260**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Each student will become a lifelong learner with the desire to apply knowledge and skills to real life situations.
- · Interactive lessons by highly qualified teachers.
- · STEM Encore class for all students using Project Lead the Way Curriculum.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

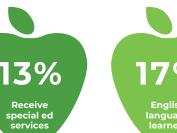














PRIMITIVO GARCIA ELEMENTARY

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

1000 W. 17th Street, Kansas City, MO 64108 (816) 418-8725

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 400**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Our school is an Apple School. Each student has a 1-to-1 apple device.
- · We are named after Kansas City's first Latin American hero, Primitivo Garcia, who received a Carnegie Hero Medal for giving his life to save his teacher.
- · We have strong community partnership with over 20 organizations who invest in our students and families.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org





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TRAILWOODS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

6201 E 17th Street, Kansas City, MO 64126 (816) 418-3250

GRADES: K-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 350**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Leader in Me school. Working together to develop the leader in all students.
- · STEM Encore class for all students using Project Lead the Way
- · Trailwoods Elementary is a comprehensive elementary school offering support to the total child and family through a comprehensive support network.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org













SOUTHEAST HIGH SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL KCPS | SIGNATURE SCHOOL

3500 E. Meyer Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64131 (816) 418-1078

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:20 a.m. - 2:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 530**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Southeast offers a comprehensive and competitive learning environment with a wide range of academic programs, sports, and extracurricular activities.
- · Students can get a head start on their future through College and Career programs within the district.
- *African-Centered College Preparatory Academy is a Signature School program within Southeast High School. AC Prep provides a unique college preparatory curriculum. All high school students who live within KCPS are welcome to apply for the program.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Signature schools often have specific application requirements. Please see www.enrollkc.org for details.

WENDELL PHILLIPS

(816) 418-3750

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 300**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Instrumental music program

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org





ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

2400 Prospect Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64127

- · Active family engagement through quarterly School Advisory Committee Meetings.
- · Strong community partnerships for robust afterschool clubs for students.

WHEATLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

2415 Agnes Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64127 (816) 418-4825

GRADES: K-6

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 360**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Full spectrum of special education programs and services for students in early childhood through sixth grade.
- · Multitude of wrap-around services for families in need.
- · Active gardening club for students.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Your student is always guaranteed a seat at your neighborhood school. Visit www.enrollkc.org













WHITTIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

KCPS | NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL

1012 Bales Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64127 (816) 418-3850

GRADES: K-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 350**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Diversity
- · High expectations
- · Family feel

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31





















KCPS SIGNATURE SCHOOLS

Signature schools are tuition-free public schools and they are also part of KCPS. Each signature school has its own specific focus, such as Montessori, language immersion, African culture, performing arts, or college prep. They are open to any student who lives in the KCPS boundaries but do have admission requirements and a limited number of seats. If applications exceed the number of seats available a lottery will be held after the application deadline.

WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT SIGNATURE SCHOOLS



PUBLIC SCHOOL



Students must live in the KCPS BOUNDARIES





USES LOTTERIES & may have a waitlist

Additionally, they often have specific requirements for enrollment.



GOVERNED BY

KCPS and publicly elected school board



APPLY ONLINE at www.enrollkc.org



Has a SPECIFIC FOCUS

ex. language immersion, African culture, Montessori, performing arts, or college prep



AFRICAN-CENTERED COLLEGE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

KCPS | SIGNATURE SCHOOL

6410 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, MO 64132 (816) 418-1175

GRADES: PK-8

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 365

POINTS OF PRIDE

- African-Centered Prep provides a unique college preparatory curriculum that is consistent with KCPS.
- · STEM Makers space
- African-Centered Prep stays in-tune with the distinctive foundation of cultural awareness that is important to the success of students in urban areas.
- Students in grades 9-12 can continue their AC Prep Signature School program within Southeast High School. All high school students in the district are welcom to apply.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Signature schools often have specific application requirements. Please see www.enrollkc.org for details.

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English language

BORDER STAR MONTESSORI

KCPS | SIGNATURE SCHOOL

6321 Wornall Road, Kansas City, MO 64113 (816) 418-5150

GRADES: PK*-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 250

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Border Star is very diverse (social-economic status, ethnicity) with a high functioning PTA organization.
- We recycle, compost and also have a garden that students manage and the community can harvest.
- We have an outstanding choir that performs around the city frequently. They also offer instrumental music lessons for a fee to students during the school day.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Signature schools have specific application requirements. Please see www.enrollkc.org for details.

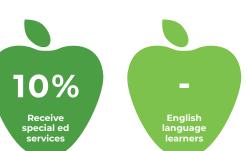












^{*}Previous Montessori experience is required for admission to 1st-6th grades.

CARVER DUAL LANGUAGE ELEMENTARY

KCPS | SIGNATURE SCHOOL

4600 Elmwood Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64130 (816) 418-4925

GRADES: PK*-6

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 400**

DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION: Spanish and English

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Carver's students leave sixth grade truly bilingual and biliterate in English and Spanish.
- · Teachers from around the world offer students a dual language experience where literacy instruction is done daily in both English
- · Carver's families come from diverse backgrounds and are very supportive of their child's education!.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Signature schools have specific application requirements. Please see www.enrollkc.org for details.

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.















HOLLIDAY MONTESSORI SCHOOL

KCPS | SIGNATURE SCHOOL

7227 Jackson Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64132 (816) 418-1950

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 8:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 350**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · String Sprouts, a free music education program, is available for students starting in preschool teaching music education through hands-on playing of orchestra instruments.
- · Each child is treated as a unique individual learner.
- · Holliday offers a rigorous yet innovative academic program.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Signature schools often have specific application requirements. Please see www.enrollkc.org for details.

*Previous Montessori experience is required for admission to 1st-6th grades.















FOREIGN LANGUAGE ACADEMY

KCPS | SIGNATURE SCHOOL

3450 Warwick Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 418-6000

GRADES: K-8

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 630**

FULL LANGUAGE IMMERSION: Mandarin or Spanish

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Kansas City's only fully authorized International Baccalaureate Primary and Middle Years programs.
- · Annual capstone field trip to Puerto Rico to immerse students in the language and culture of Puerto Rico

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Signature schools have specific application requirements. Please see www.enrollkc.org for details.

















LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL

KCPS | SIGNATURE SCHOOL

2012 E. 23rd St, Kansas City, MO 64108 (816) 418-1500

GRADES: 6-8

HOURS: 7:20 a.m. - 2:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 600**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Home to challenging curriculum and programs that yield exceptional results. Overall standardized test scores have established Lincoln as a premier school on a local, state and national level.
- · Lincoln Middle offers Pre-Advanced Placement curriculum to prepare students for success as they matriculate into Lincoln Prep's High School International Baccalaureate program.
- · Students have the opportunity to become involved in a widevariety of sports, artistic programs, activities and clubs to gain self-confidence and make a difference beyond just schoolwork.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Signature schools often have specific application requirements. Please see www.enrollkc.org for details.







PASEO ACADEMY OF FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS

KCPS | SIGNATURE SCHOOL

4747 Flora, Kansas City, MO 64110 (816) 418-2275

GRADES: 7-12

HOURS: 7:20 a.m. - 2:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 675**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Our performing arts programs are led by teachers with extensive backgrounds in the arts and supported by locally and nationally celebrated artists-in-residence.
- · Dedicated staff that support both the arts and academics.
- · Students benefit from a highly experienced network of community partners.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Signature schools often have specific application requirements. Please see www.enrollkc.org for details.















LINCOLN COLLEGE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

KCPS | SIGNATURE SCHOOL

2111 Woodland Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64108 (816) 418-3000

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:20 a.m. - 2:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 950**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Celebrating 160 years in 2025!
- · International Baccalaureate School
- · Named the #1 Best High School in the Kansas City Metro (Mo) by U.S. News & World Report for 2025. The school also ranked #3 overall among all high schools in Missouri and was named the #3 Best High School for College Readiness in the state.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Signature schools often have specific application requirements. Please see www.enrollkc.org for details.







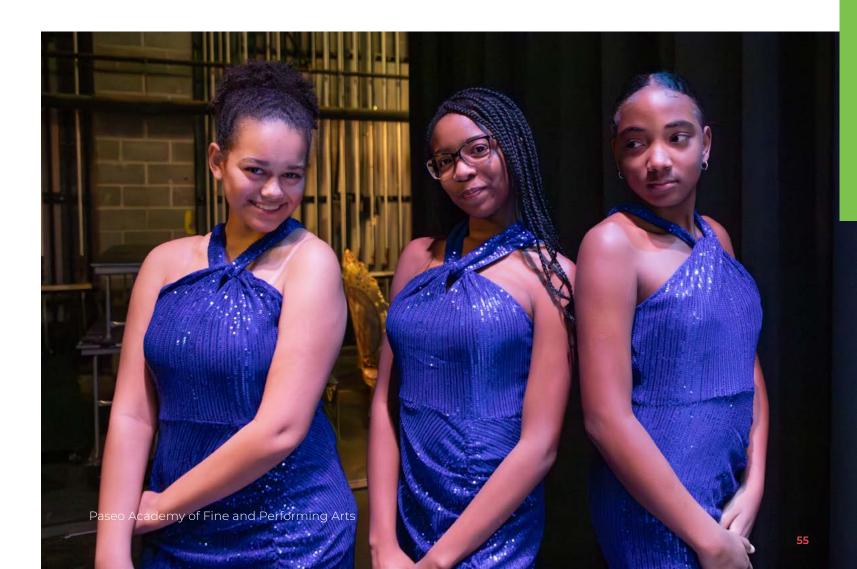












PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

Charter schools are tuition-free public schools that operate independently of KCPS. They receive state funding, just like district schools, and are open to all students in the KCPS boundaries. If applications exceed the number of seats available a lottery will be held after the application deadline.

WHAT IS A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL?

Charter schools are tuition-free public schools, independent of the school district, that are equally open to all children who live in a geographic area.

WHO OVERSEES CHARTER SCHOOLS?

Public charter schools are accountable to the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), their school board and charter sponsor.

WHAT IS A CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSOR?

In Missouri, sponsors are institutions or organizations that provide oversight to public charter schools. Each public charter school has a contract (a "charter") with a sponsor that spells out what the school will do, what it expects to achieve, how it will evaluate its success (or failure) and what the consequences are for not reaching goals. The sponsor's job is to make sure that charter schools are complying with the law and also with their contract. The sponsor decides whether or not a school's charter will be renewed. A school without a renewed charter will be closed.

WHO ARE THE CHARTER SCHOOL SPONSORS IN KANSAS CITY?

KANSAS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2901 Troost Ave. Kansas City, MO 64109 (816) 418-7000

MISSOURI CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL COMMISSION

20 South Sarah St. St. Louis, MO 63108 (855) 267-7323

SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY

1 N. Grand Blvd. St. Louis. MO 63103 (800) 758-3678

WHAT TO KNOW **ABOUT CHARTER SCHOOLS**









PUBLIC SCHOOL



GOVERNED BY

board of directors & sponsoring organization



APPLY ONLINE

at www.schoolappkc.org (most schools) or inquire at individual schools



ACADÉMIE LAFAYETTE ARMOUR BLVD. CAMPUS

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

201 East Armour Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 800-8771

GRADES: 6-12

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 380**

FULL LANGUAGE IMMERSION: French

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Académie Lafayette International High School offers International Baccalaureate Middle Years and Diploma Programmes.
- · High School students have the opportunity to travel abroad to further their understanding of languages and culture. Their travels include the French Caribbean, Senegal, China, and Costa Rica.
- 7th graders take an international trip to France for 2 1/2 weeks and stay with host families. In addition, the last three days are spent sightseeing in Paris, La Tour Eiffel, and Arc de Triomphe. 7th graders also host French exchange students for two weeks in Kansas City.















APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

ACADÉMIE LAFAYETTE CHERRY ST. CAMPUS

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

3421 Cherry Street, Kansas City, MO 64109 (816) 888-7400

GRADES: PK*-5

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 460**

FULL LANGUAGE IMMERSION: French

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Top 3 in the state for MAP scores.
- · Teachers from this school come from over 15 different countries across the world!
- · In 6th grade students feed into Armour Middle School with Middle Years Program.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.





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ACADÉMIE LAFAYETTE OAK ST. CAMPUS

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

6903 Oak Street, Kansas City, MO 64113 (816) 361-7735

GRADES: PK*-5

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 500**

FULL LANGUAGE IMMERSION: French

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Top 3 in the state for MAP scores.
- · Teachers from this school come from over 15 different countries across the world!
- · In 6th grade students feed into Armour Middle School with Middle Years Program.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.

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ALLEN VILLAGE CHARTER SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

706 W 42nd Street, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 931-0177

GRADES: PK*-8

HOURS: 7:40 a.m. - 3:10 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 300**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Allen Village School is an academically focused school that motivates the diverse needs of students and creates a love of learning in a disciplined, orderly space where students can explore, create and develop knowledge and skills needed to succeed academically and personally.
- · At our school, we believe in fostering a deep and lasting love for learning. Our students are naturally energetic and inquisitive, always eager to explore, discover, and find the answers to their many questions.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.allenvillageschool.com

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ACADEMY FOR INTEGRATED ARTS (AFIA)

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

7910 Troost Ave, Kansas City, MO 64131 (816) 444-1720

GRADES: PK-6

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 260**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Arts Integration: AFIA stands out by seamlessly incorporating the arts into our curriculum, helping students explore and express their learning through creative outlets.
- · Constructivist Approach: We believe in learning by doing. Our hands-on projects encourage curiosity, critical thinking, and collaboration.
- · Community & Belonging: Every student is part of a supportive community where their voice matters. We focus on the whole child, emphasizing dignity, respect, and self-regulation.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

ALLEN VILLAGE HIGH SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

4251 Bridger Road, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 931-0177

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:40 a.m. - 3:10 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 130**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Allen Village School is an academically focused school that motivates the diverse needs of students and creates a love of learning in a disciplined, orderly space where students can explore, create and develop knowledge and skills needed to succeed academically and personally.
- · Allen Village High School offers Dual Credit College Courses on site and the opportunity for Career Technical Classes at an off site location.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.allenvillageschool.com

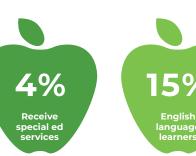














BROOKSIDE CHARTER

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

1815 East 63rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64130 (816) 531-2192













HOURS: 8:15 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 720**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · BCS is proud to have MCPSA's Charter Leader of the Year, MCPSA's KC Teacher of the Year, and DESE's Teacher of the Year on staff.
- BCS provides leadership opportunities for all of their students. From clubs to internships to sports, all students can find their greatness.
- · BCS is proud to launch Kansas City's only live Virtual School Option for 1st-8th grade students.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org





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CITIZENS OF THE WORLD

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

3435 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 499-8000

GRADES: PK*-8

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 400**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Part of a national network of diverse, high performing charter schools serving students in Los Angeles and Kansas City.
- · Our model is built to support diverse learners. New ideas are connected to a student's experiences and existing understanding of the world, rather than rote memorization.
- · Our model supports this development through social emotional learning (SEL), which we believe to be as integral to an excellent education as traditional academic subjects.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org Additional enrollment avalible at Operation Breakthrough for specific grade levels.

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.

















CROSSROADS ACADEMY CENTRAL ST.

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

1011 Central, Kansas City, MO 64105 (816) 221-2600

GRADES: PK*-6

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 350**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · As part of our vision of preparing students who have a positive impact on their family, their community and the world, our students have participated in and organized multiple service projects over the years!
- · Crossroads Charter Schools utilize the downtown neighborhood as an extended campus for learning, taking a minimum of 6 learning expeditions each year!
- · Crossroads Charter Schools was named the 2017 Charter School of the Year by the Missouri Charter Public School Association.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by September 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.

















CROSSROADS ACADEMY **OUALITY HILL**

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

1080 Washington Street, Kansas City, MO 64105 (816) 221-3191

GRADES: PK*-5

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 250**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · As part of our vision of preparing students who have a positive impact on their family, their community and the world, our students have participated in and organized multiple service projects over the years!
- · Crossroads Charter Schools utilize the downtown neighborhood as an extended campus for learning, taking a minimum of 6 learning expeditions each year!
- · Crossroads Charter Schools was named the 2017 Charter School of the Year by the Missouri Charter Public School Association.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by September 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.

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CROSSROADS PREPARATORY ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

816 Broadway Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64105 (816) 369-0090

GRADES: 7-12

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 420**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Crossroads Charter Schools was named the 2017 MCPSA Charter School of the Year.
- · Crossroads Preparatory Academy uses the downtown community as an extension of the classroom. Students use the streetcar to visit local businesses and museums for learning expeditions.
- · All graduates of Crossroads aim to graduate with at least one of the 4 listed Market Value Assets (MVAs). MVAs are skills and outcomes that set scholars up for success in college or career pursuits after high school. Real World Learning at Crossroads is focused on scholars attaining these critical skills.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org















DELASALLE HIGH SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

3737 Troost, Kansas City, MO 64109 (816) 561-4445

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 200**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Entrepreneurial and College and Career Readiness
- · Freshman Academy Nationally Recognized Program
- · Social Emotional Learning through Healthy Communities
- · Flipside Academy which allows students to obtain a high school diploma as well as a GED.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org













EWING MARION KAUFFMAN SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

6401 The Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64131 (816) 268-5660

GRADES: 5-12

HOURS: M-Th: 7:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Fri: 7:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 910

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Our strong teacher development and retention from year to year has contributed to our outstanding student successes in the classroom.
- · Students have regularly scored top scores in their end of year and end of course exams. 100% of high school students receive free, quality ACT and AP prep classes. All ACT and AP exam fees are paid for by the school.
- · Students can participate in a variety of extra-curricular activities including football, volleyball, basketball, track, soccer, cross country, debate, yearbook, student government and community service club.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

New student applications are only accepted in grades 5-8.

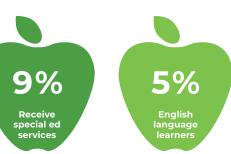












FRONTIER SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

5605 Troost, Kansas City, MO 64110 (816) 822-1331

GRADES: 6-12

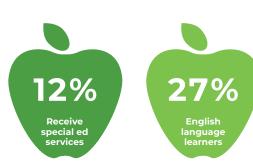
HOURS: 7:25 a.m. - 2:10 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 240**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- STEM Focus
- · Diverse Student Body
- · Teacher Home Visits

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.frontierschools.org





FRONTIER SCHOOL OF INNOVATION 4-8 CAMPUS

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

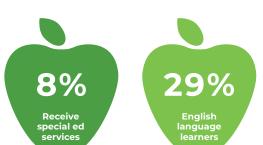
1575 Universal Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64120 (816) 241-6202

GRADES: 4-8

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 3:39 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 400**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · STEM Focus
- · Diverse Student Body
- · Gifted & Talented



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APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.frontierschools.org

FRONTIER SCHOOL OF INNOVATION **PK-3 CAMPUS**

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

6700 Corporate Drive, Kansas City, MO 64120 (816) 363-1907

GRADES: PK-3

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 3:35 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 500**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- STEM Focus
- · Diverse Student Body
- · Gifted & Talented

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.frontierschools.org







FRONTIER STEM HIGH SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

6455 E. Commerce Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64120 (816) 541-8200

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 2:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 350**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- STEM Focus
- · Diverse Student Body
- · Gifted & Talented

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.frontierschools.org





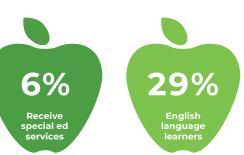
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GENESIS SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

3800 E. 44th Street, Kansas City, MO 64130 (816) 921-0775













POINTS OF PRIDE

GRADES: PK*-8

- · Genesis Focuses on and Celebrates Growth. We believe all students can learn at high levels, and All students deserve educational excellence.
- $\cdot\,$ Genesis is a true Community School. We believe a school must be inextricably linked to the community it serves. We provide extensive school and community-based resources to support and engage families.
- · According to the 2024 SLU Prime Center report, Genesis ranked in the top 20 of Missouri schools for growth in both ELA (#14 in the State) and Math (#1 in the State).

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.





GORDON PARKS ELEMENTARY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

3715 Wyoming Street, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 753-6700



HOURS: 8:15 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 150**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Two educators in every classroom. 11:1 student to staff ratio.
- · Our Project Based Learning pedagogy integrates all content areas including S.T.E.A.M and Social Emotional Learning and offers students opportunities for real-world applications of learning.
- · Free door-to-door transportation and free breakfast and lunch for all students, a CARE Team providing wrap around services for students and families, and a one-to-one student mentoring program.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.















GUADALUPE CENTERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

5123 Truman Road, Kansas City, MO 64127 (816) 994-0396

GRADES: PK-5

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 2:35 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 790**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · We build curriculum that honors culturally and linguistically diverse students
- · Offer Free and Reduced Meals to ALL students
- · Active push for family engagement across all grades

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

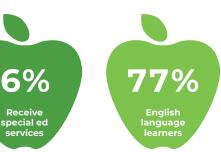












GUADALUPE CENTERS HIGH SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

1524 Paseo, Kansas City, MO 64127 (816) 471-2582

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 8:40 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 460**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Rigorous academic curriculum including Real World Learning, Advanced Placement courses, Dual Credit and Dual enrollment courses
- · GCHS maintains high academic and social-character standards with strong wrap around services from our parent organization, Guadalupe Centers Inc.
- · Small Class Sizes

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org







GUADALUPE CENTERS MIDDLE SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

2640 Belleview, Kansas City, MO 64108 (816) 472-4120

GRADES: 6-8

HOURS: 8:40 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 350**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Rigorous Curriculum
- · Strong English Language Development Support
- · Small Class Sizes

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org





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HOGAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

6409 Agnes Ave, Kansas City, MO 64132 (816) 444-5010

GRADES: PK*-5

HOURS: 9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 400**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Personalization of learning for each student in their Individual
- · Development of a strong academic and leadership foundation
- · Awareness of career paths for students aligned with their interests and passions

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.

















HOGAN PREPARATORY ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

1331 E Meyer Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64131 (816) 444-3464

GRADES: 6-12

HOURS: MIDDLE SCHOOL: 8:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. **HIGH SCHOOL:** 7:15 a.m. - 2:15 p.m

AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 490

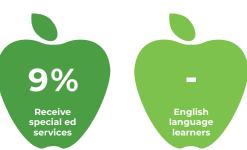
POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Individual personalized plans of study
- Dual credit courses
- · Freshman Academy; Bioscience Pathway and Leadership Micro Credential

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

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HOPE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

2800 E Linwood, Kansas City, MO 64128 (816) 921-1213

GRADES: PK-5

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 96**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Hope Leadership Academy prioritizes Academic Excellence as a goal for each and every student.
- · Our goal at HLA is to promote authentic leadership development in our students.
- · Caring relationships with families.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by September 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

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KANSAS CITY GIRLS PREPARATORY ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

5000 East 17th Street, Kansas City, MO 64127 (816) 268-2573

GRADES: 5-8

HOURS: 7:45 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 135**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · "Whole girl" approach to ensure scholars feel safe, loved, and learning.
- · Feminist, antiracist curriculum and staff training.
- · KC's first and only public, single-gender school.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org













KC INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

414 Wallace Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64125 (816) 242-4206

GRADES: PK*-8

HOURS: 5-8: 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. K-4: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 640**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · KC International Academy surrounds students with caring adults. Kindergarten- Fourth Grade classrooms have 2 teachers each.
- · Small class sizes, Free Breakfast, Lunch and Snack for all students, wide variety of sports and after school activities, on- site translator support for many languages.
- · KCIA is a beautifully diverse school where all cultures and backgrounds are honored and appreciated.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

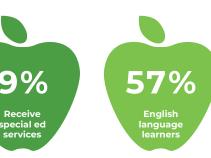
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KIPP: ENDEAVOR ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

2700 E 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64127 (816) 241-3994

GRADES: PK-8

HOURS: PK-8: 8:15 a.m. - 3:40 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 565**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · We are a college-preparatory charter school with a history of preparing students in underserved communities for college and life.
- · We create joyful, academically excellent schools that prepare students with the social and emotional skills they need to succeed.
- · We work alongside families and the community to ensure students have the support they need to choose their own paths—college, career, and beyond.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by September 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org





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KIPP: LEGACY HIGH SCHOOL

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

1522 Winchester AVE. Kansas City, MO 64126

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:15 a.m.- 2:48 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 290**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Our AP-for-All curriculum prepares students for the rigor of college-level courses
- · We offer a wide range of electives, including Art, Band, Theater, Dance, Physical Education, Urban Farming, and Engineering
- · Our athletics and extracurricular activities are some of the strongest in the city, including football, volleyball, cheer, choir, basketball, and track & field

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org













LEE A. TOLBERT COMMUNITY ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

3400 Paseo Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64109 (816) 561-0114

GRADES: PK*-8

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 400**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Entrepreneurship focus and theme
- · Culturally responsive instructional practices
- · Award-winning scholar debate team

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

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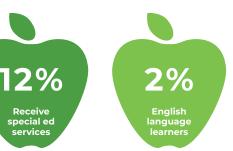












SCUOLA VITA NUOVA

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

535 Garfield Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64124 (816) 231-5788

GRADES: K-8

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. M, T, Th, F 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Wednesdays

AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 390

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · 100% Parent Teacher Conference Participation for 15 years
- · SVN is a Leader in Me School · 1:1 Student Technology Devices

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by September 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.svncharter.org







UNIVERSITY ACADEMY

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

6801 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131 (816) 412-5900

GRADES: PK*-12

HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 2:40 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 1,125**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · UA is a K-12 program. Students can transition from elementary grades to middle school and then graduate from UA.
- · Swope Health KidsCare Dental Services
- · Advanced Studies Program beginning in third grade.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.universityacademy.org

*Limited number of Pre-K seats, hosted at an off-site location, for students who qualify for Free or Reduced Lunch.























PRIVATE SCHOOLS

FAITH-BASED PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Faith-based schools are affiliated with a religious organization. Students usually have religious education in addition to their secular subjects. Faith-based schools do not receive public funding so they usually charge tuition. Many are also supported by the religious organization with which they are affiliated which may help keep tuition cost down and financial aid may be available. Students apply for admission to faith-based schools which are governed by a board of directors and the religious organization with which they are affiliated.

INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Independent private schools are supported by a private organization or individuals rather than the government. Independent private schools do not receive public funding so they charge tuition, although financial aid may be available. They are open to students regardless of where they live. Students apply for admission to independent private schools which are governed by a board of directors.

WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT PRIVATE SCHOOLS



Students do not have to live in KCPS BOUNDARIES



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MAY HAVE
WAITLISTS
Contact school for more
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PRIVATE SCHOOL



GOVERNED BY board of directors & sponsoring organization



APPLY TO individual schools

FINANCIAL AID

HOW TO AFFORD A PRIVATE SCHOOL EDUCATION

Tuition at private schools in Kansas City varies widely. Some private schools base their tuition on a family's ability to pay. Many, especially those that are affiliated with a religious organization, have tuition that is supplemented by the organization. Still others rely on tuition as the main source of money to cover the expenses of a child's education.

HOW MUCH DOES A SCHOOL COST?

Most faith-based and independent private schools state their annual tuition amounts on their websites. Many also include other fees and costs that are in addition to tuition. We list the base tuition for these schools on our website (www.showmekcschools.org) so you can find them all in one place.

WHAT IF I CAN'T AFFORD THAT?

Most private schools offer financial aid of some kind and also offer discounts for siblings in the same family.

HERE ARE THREE TUITION ASSISTANCE OPTIONS TO CONSIDER:

ASK ABOUT TUITION APPLY FOR INOUIRE ABOUT REDUCTION AT FAITH-FINANCIAL AID SCHOLARSHIPS BASED SCHOOLS · Some schools have Some schools have a pool · If you belong to a religious scholarships to give to of money set aside to give organization that operates students with particular to families who qualify. faith-based school, inquire needs or who have special about reduced tuition options talents. In most cases you will fill for members of the congregation. out an extensive financial Inquire at each individual aid application and share school in which you are your tax returns from the most interested. last two years. A committee will decide if you qualify based on your confidential responses. · There is usually a fee to apply.

PS:

- · Talk with admissions representatives to determine affordability.
- To better understand financial aid ask the admissions representative for a range of household incomes that has received aid in the past.
- Ask each school whether you can expect the same amount or percentage of aid from year to year.
- Tune into our Show Me KC Schools' podcast and check out our episode on How to Afford Private School Education.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOLS PLEASE VISIT WWW.SHOWMEKCSCHOOLS.ORG

THE BARSTOW SCHOOL

11511 State Line Road, Kansas City, MO 64114 (816) 942-3255

GRADES: Preschool-12

HOURS: PK-5: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. 6-12: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 750**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- We have more than 32 countries and 70 zip codes represented in our student body from Missouri and Kansas counties.
- · Barstow is ranked the #1 best private K-12 school in Kansas City by Niche.com, and a three-time, voter-chosen Kansas City Favorite.
- · Barstow students have daily access to IDEA Space, our state-ofthe-art STEAM learning center less than a mile from State Line Road campus.

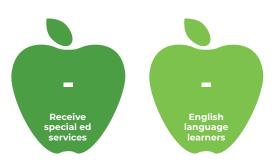
KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by September 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.barstowschool.org

TUITION: \$10,00 (2-day preschool) - \$29,500 (upper school)

FINANCIAL AID: Yes





CITY OF FOUNTAINS

406 W. 74th Street, Kansas City, MO 64114 (816) 839-5756

GRADES: PK-8

HOURS: PK-K: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **1-6:** 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 85**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · City of Fountains honors the wonder and importance of childhood by engaging the head, hands and heart through education.
- · They foster creative, innovative individuals capable of free, independent thought.
- · They nourish each child's relationship with the natural world and its rhythms, thus cultivating a lifelong reverence for what is good, beautiful and true.

KINDERGARTEN: No age cut-off

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.cityoffountainsschool.org

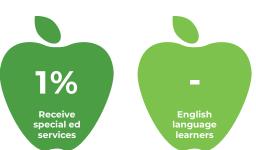
TUITION: \$1,600 - \$8,000 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes

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BISHOP MIEGE HIGH SCHOOL

5041 Reinhard Drive. Roeland Park. KS 66205 (913) 222-5804

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 8:25 a.m. - 3:25 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 656**

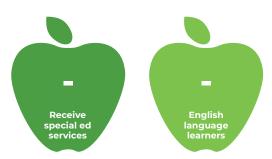
POINTS OF PRIDE

- ACT Prep Program
- · Faith Based College Prep Curriculum
- · S.T.R.E.A.M. (Engineering / Computer Science)

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.bishopmiege.com

TUITION: \$12,150 - \$13,650 FINANCIAL AID: Yes





CRISTO REY KANSAS CITY

211 W. Linwood Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 457-6044

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 250**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · 100% senior college acceptance.
- · "A School that Works." Every student is employed in a professional job to help defer tuition and gain valuable work experience.
- · Cristo Rey Kansas City provides a Catholic, college prep education enhanced by an innovative corporate work study program to culturally diverse students with economic need.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

TUITION: \$400 - \$2,000

FINANCIAL AID: All student receive tuition assistance.

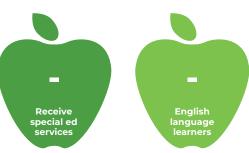












HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

FAITH-BASED | CATHOLIC

121 N. Quincy Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64123 (816) 231-8874

GRADES: PK-8

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 3:25 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 175**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Holy Cross School provides a supportive, Catholic and Christcentered environment with a rigorous, comprehensive academic curriculum for all.
- · We offer a liberal arts curriculum that emphasizes spiritual and moral development, service to the community and critical thinking skills.
- · Our students achieve success through small class sizes, individualized attention and a close knit community. At Holy Cross, our students are not only smart and successful, they are also wise and good.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.hcskcmo.org

TUITION: \$7,200 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes









LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL OF KC

FAITH-BASED | LUTHERAN

12411 Wornall Road, Kansas City, MO 64145 (816) 241-5478

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 125**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Prepares students for a lifelong relationship with Jesus Christ.
- · LHS equips students through a wide variety of student activities, arts, and athletics.
- · Students experience a high-quality college prep curriculum with experienced, qualified, and dedicated teachers.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.lhskc.com

TUITION: \$10,900 FINANCIAL AID: Yes

KANSAS CITY ACADEMY

7933 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64114 (816) 444-5225

GRADES: 6-12

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. M, T, Th, F 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Wednesdays

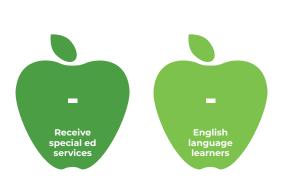
AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 75

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · KCA goes beyond traditional school and creates a supportive and nurturing community.
- · KCA creates independent, critical thinkers.
- · KCA values its small class sizes of 12-15 students.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.kcacademy.org

TUITION: \$17,400 - \$18,300 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes









NOTRE DAME DE SION GRADE SCHOOL

FAITH-BASED | CATHOLIC

3823 Locust Street, Kansas City, MO 64109 (816) 753-3810

GRADES: Preschool - 8 HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 310

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Diverse community of learners, where individuals are valued and small class sizes allow teachers to personalize instruction to meet the needs of each student.
- Strong 21st-century PreK-8 academic program with a commitment to and appreciation for foreign languages, art, music, PE and swimming.
- · Safe and nurturing environment where students of all faiths, cultures, and histories are valued and cherished.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 15 **APPLICATION INFORMATION:** www.ndsion.edu

TUITION: \$12,500 - \$17,150 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes

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NOTRE DAME DE SION HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

FAITH-BASED | CATHOLIC

10631 Wornall Road, Kansas City, MO 64114 (816) 942-3282

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 8:45 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 330

POINTS OF PRIDE

- At Notre Dame de Sion we challenge our students to achieve academic excellence through a 21st-century learning curriculum and personalized instruction that emphasize the skill sets necessary for success.
- Inspired by our Catholic faith, our mission is to cultivate a loving community that empowers students for success in a religiously and culturally diverse world.
- · We value diversity, respect and welcome all faith traditions, and embrace the unique gifts of each individual.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.ndsion.edu

TUITION: \$17,000 - \$18,250 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes











OUR LADY OF HOPE

FAITH-BASED | CATHOLIC

4232 Mercier Street, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 931-1693

GRADES: K-8

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 130

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Has educated the students in the mid-town/Westport area for more than 100 years.
- Has a tradition of sending 90% of its students to Catholic High Schools.
- Welcomes students of diverse backgrounds and builds a strong community of learning.
- · Accepts MO Scholars

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 31

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.olohcs.com

TUITION: Income Based \$1,500 - \$6,500

FINANCIAL AID: Yes













PEMBROKE HILL SCHOOL

Wornall Campus: 400 W. 51st Street; KCMO 64112 Ward Parkway Campus: 5121 State Line Road; KCMO 6411 (816) 936-1200

GRADES: Preschool-12 HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 3:10 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 1,190**

POINTS OF PRIDE

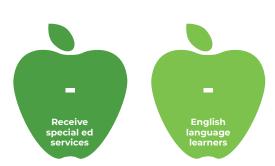
- · Two teachers in each classroom from early years through grade 5.
- · College preparatory curriculum with over 20 AP courses offered and 100% college attendance by graduates.
- · 25% of students receive over \$3.5 million in financial aid.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.pembrokehill.org

TUITION: \$19,453 - \$31,685 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes





PROVIDENCE SCHOOL OF ARTS

FAITH-BASED | CATHOLIC

7203 Paseo Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64132 (816) 643-6300

GRADES: PK-11

HOURS: 8:25 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 95**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Fine and performing arts focused
- · Christ-centered
- · Income-based tuition

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by September 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.providenceartskc.org

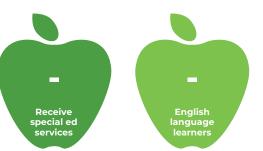
TUITION: \$600 - \$6,500 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes











PLAZA ACADEMY

INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SCHOOL

3930 Broadway, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 561-0770

GRADES: 7-12

HOURS: 8:30 a.m. - 2:25 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 50**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Small class sizes of approx. 4-10 students
- · Individualized academic, therapeutic, and civic education model
- · Love + Logic model of ownership-based environment

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Visit www.schoolappkc.org

TUITION: \$4,500 - \$18,000 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes















ROCKHURST HIGH SCHOOL

9301 State Line Road, Kansas City, MO 64114 (816) 363-2036

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 1,000

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · The Catholic, Jesuit college preparatory school for young men in Kansas City.
- · Forming men of competence, conscience, and compassion.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.rockhursths.edu

TUITION: \$18,000 - \$19,000 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes





RYOGOKU SOCCER ACADEMY

606 Gladstone Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64124 (540) 355-0970

GRADES: 5-12

HOURS: 8:15 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. M-Th **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 40**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Ryogoku Soccer Academy is an accredited school that integrates high-quality academics with elite soccer development.
- · Nearly 90% of our students speak two or more languages, reflecting the rich diversity of Kansas City's Northeast community.
- · We provide community-based education that promotes global citizenship and life skills for all students.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.ryogokusocceracademy.org

TUITION: Income-based **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes





ST. ELIZABETH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

14 W 75th Street, Kansas City, MO 64114 (816) 523-7100

GRADES: PK-8

HOURS: 8:05 a.m. - 3:25 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 400**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Faith-based education
- · St. Elizabeth is a participating member of F.I.R.E, the Foundation for Inclusive Religious Education, which helps support our mission to provide an inclusive education for our parishioners.
- · We strive to be a school of service and encourage all students to complete 50 hours of service to the community.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.stekcschool.org

TUITION: Starts at \$6,800 + discounts for parishioners.

FINANCIAL AID: Yes

4041 Main, Kansas City, MO 64111 (816) 931-8614

GRADES: Preschool-8

HOURS: PK: 8:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. K-8: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 490**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · St. Paul's Episcopal Day School for age 2 through 8th grade is a special place to learn and grow.
- · We have small class sizes, social emotional regulation programs, caring and expert teachers, and leadership development.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

· Our students are setup to succeed inside and outside the classroom.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by July 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.speds.org

TUITION: \$12,000 - \$18,000 **FINANCIAL AID:** Yes



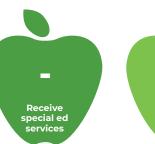
















ST. PETER'S SCHOOL

FAITH-BASED | CATHOLIC

6400 Charlotte Street, Kansas City, MO 64131 (816) 523-4899

GRADES: PK-8

HOURS: 7:40 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 425

POINTS OF PRIDE

- St. Peter's is a loving and accepting home, and there is a place for everyone here.
- Faith is the foundation, and from the first day to the last, we teach children to live like Jesus, so that by the time they graduate, our students are not only academically prepared leaders, they are great people.
- · We have passionate teachers who view education as a calling, not just a profession.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: school.stpkc.org

TUITION: \$4,650-\$7,700 + discounts for parishioners.

FINANCIAL AID: Yes





ST. PIUS X HIGH SCHOOL

FAITH-BASED | CATHOLIC

1500 NE 42nd Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64116 (816) 453-3450

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 500

POINTS OF PRIDE

- St. Pius X High School builds a foundation in faith, academic excellence, and lifelong learning, partnering with families to enhance Catholic morals and authentic truth for the greater glory of God.
- For nearly 70 years, St. Pius X has been a jewel of the Northland, shaping students' lives with a strong foundation of faith, academic excellence, and community.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.spxkc.org

TUITION: \$10,600 - \$12,300 + discounts for parishioners.

FINANCIAL AID: Yes







ST. TERESA'S ACADEMY

FAITH-BASED | CATHOLIC

5600 Main Street, Kansas City, MO 64113 (816) 501-0011

GRADES: 9-12

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT:** 550

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Student-centered culture encourages young women to become strong, confident and caring leaders.
- Approximately 50% receive need- and/or merit-based financial aid.
- Low student: faculty ratio of 11:1, with students from 65 ZIP codes

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.stteresasacademy.org

TUITION: \$16,000
FINANCIAL AID: Yes















VISITATION SCHOOL

FAITH-BASED | CATHOLIC

5134 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64112 (816) 531-6200

GRADES: K-8

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 410**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Rooted in Catholic values, our students grow in faith through daily prayer, Mass, and service, striving to become what they receive in the Eucharist.
- · With a data-driven, individualized approach, our STREAM program integrates faith with cutting-edge learning—ensuring all students are challenged and supported.
- · Our school is a welcoming, supportive community where students, staff, and families care for one another and grow together in faith and friendship.

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by August 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.visitationschoolkc.org

TUITION: For non-tithing families \$8,500

FINANCIAL AID: No













WHITEFIELD ACADEMY

8929 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131 (816) 444-3567

GRADES: PK-12

HOURS: 8:00 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. **AVERAGE ENROLLMENT: 265**

POINTS OF PRIDE

- · Kansas City's Full Day Premiere Classical Christian School
- · Small Class Sizes and Close-Knit Environment
- · Accredited by the Association of Classical and Christian Schools

KINDERGARTEN: Must be 5 by September 1

APPLICATION INFORMATION: www.whitefieldacademykc.org

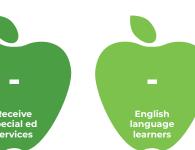
TUITION: \$9,600 - 15,103 FINANCIAL AID: Yes











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NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS	ASIAN	BLACK	HISPANIC	NATIVE	WHITE	MULTI- RACIAL	PACIFIC ISLANDER
Benjamin Banneker Elementary (K-6)	-	80%	12%	-	4%	3%	-
Central High School (9-12)	-	78%	12%	-	7%	2%	1%
Central Middle School (7-8)	-	74%	16%	1%	5%	3%	-
East High School (9-12)	7 %	37%	51%	-	4%	1%	-
Faxon Elementary (K-6)	-	71%	17%	-	6%	2%	2%
Garfield Elementary (K-6)	17%	48%	26%	-	5%	2%	-
George Melcher Elementary (K-6)	-	64%	25%	2%	4%	4%	-
Gladstone Elementary (K-6)	17%	27%	41%	-	11%	3%	-
Hale Cook Elementary (PK-6)	-	25%	8%	-	55%	9%	2%
Hartman Elementary (PK-6)	-	81%	9%	-	6%	3%	3%
James Elementary (K-6)	13%	14%	63%	-	8%	1%	-
J.A. Rogers Elementary (PK-6)	-	34%	56%	-	5%	2%	2%
King Elementary (K-6)	-	74%	14%	-	6%	4%	2%
Northeast High School (9-12)	12%	45%	31%	-	9%	1%	-
Northeast Middle School (7-8)	8%	41%	40%	-	8%	2%	-
Pitcher Elementary (PK-6)	-	49%	31%	-	12%	4%	3%
Primitivo Garcia Elementary (PK-6)	2%	64%	22%	-	6%	5%	-
Southeast High School (9-12)	-	85%	8%	-	3%	3%	1%
Trailwoods Elementary (K-6)	3%	10%	78%	-	8%	2%	-
Wendell Phillips (K-6)	4%	70%	18%	-	5%	3%	-
Wheatley Elementary School (K-6)	2%	41%	48%	-	6%	3%	-
Whittier Elementary School (K-6)	15%	34%	40%	-	8%	2%	-

SIGNATURE SCHOOLS	ASIAN	BLACK	HISPANIC	NATIVE	WHITE	MULTI- RACIAL	PACIFIC ISLANDER
African-Centered College Prep (PK-8)	-	89%	5%	-	-	4%	-
Border Star Montessori (PK-6)	-	44%	3%	-	45%	3%	3%
Carver Dual Language Elementary (K-6)	1%	13%	81%	-	2%	2%	-
Foreign Language Academy (K-8)	-	22%	56%	-	13%	5%	-
Holliday Montessori (PK-6)	-	72%	5%	-	17%	4%	-
Lincoln Middle School (6-8)	5%	37%	24%	-	30%	3%	-
Lincoln College Preparatory Academy (9-12)	5%	37%	24%	-	30%	3%	-
Paseo Academy of Fine and Performing Arts (7-12)	2%	48%	38%	-	10%	2%	-

FAITH-BASED SCHOOLS	ASIAN	BLACK	HISPANIC	NATIVE	WHITE		PACIFIC ISLANDER
Bishop Miege High School (9-12)	4%	7%	22%	-	68%	1%	-
Cristo Rey Kansas City (9-12)	2%	4%	92%	-	-	2%	1%
Holy Cross School (PK-8)	6%	3%	62%	-	12%	6%	-
Lutheran High School of KC (9-12)	7%	13%	9%	-	68%	3%	-
Notre Dame de Sion High School (9-12)	3%	7%	10%	-	70%	9%	1%
Notre Dame de Sion Grade School (PK-8)	2%	20%	5%	-	59%	14%	-
Our Lady of Hope Catholic School (K-8)	2%	6%	86%	2%	4%	20%	-
Providence School of Arts (K-10)	-	24%	-	5%	46%	25%	-
Rockhurst High School (9-12)	1%	4%	9%	1%	73%	10%	2%
St. Elizabeth Elementary School (PK-8)	1%	1%	11%	1%	93%	4%	-
St. Paul's Episcopal Day School (PK-8)	2%	7%	6%	-	70%	6%	-
St. Peter's School (PK-8)	-	2%	7%	-	78%	13%	-
St. Pius X Catholic High School (9-12)	7%	3%	2%	-	81%	-	-
St. Teresa's Academy (9-12)	2%	8%	7%	1%	78%	5%	-
Visitation School (K-8)	-	1%	5%	1%	86%	7%	-
Whitefield Academy (PK-12)	8%	3%	8%	1%	69%	10%	

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INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SCHOOLS	ASIAN	BLACK	HISPANIC	NATIVE	WHITE	MULTI- RACIAL	PACIFIC ISLANDER
Barstow School (PK-12)	13%	6%	4%	1%	56%	9%	-
City of Fountains (PK-6)	3%	-	5%	2%	75%	13%	-
Kansas City Academy (6-12)	3%	5%	11%	2%	75%	17%	2%
The Pembroke Hill School (PK-12)	8%	5%	5%	-	59%	12%	-
The Plaza Academy (7-12)	-	30%	10%	5%	30%	25%	-
Ryogoku Soccer Academy (5-12)	10%	30%	40%	-	10%	10%	-

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS	ASIAN	BLACK	HISPANIC	NATIVE	WHITE		PACIFIC ISLANDER
Academie Lafayette - Armor St. Campus (6-12)	6%	18%	11%	-	57%	11%	-
Académie Lafayette - Cherry St. Campus (K-5)	1%	21%	11%	-	51%	16%	-
Académie Lafayette - Oak St. Campus (PK-5)	-	18%	8%	-	63%	11%	-
Academy for Integrated Arts (PK-6)	-	74%	7%	-	11%	4%	-
Allen Village Charter School (K-8)	-	26%	62%	-	7%	-	-
Allen Village High School (9-12)	-	23%	71%	-	-	-	-
Brookside Charter School (PK-8)	-	83%	5%	-	3%	10%	-
Citizens of the World KC (PK-8)	-	45%	19%	-	26%	9%	-
Crossroads - Central St. (PK-6)	-	49%	17%	-	24%	9%	-
Crossroads - Quality Hill (K-5)	-	46%	21%	-	25%	6%	-
Crossroads Preparatory Academy (7-12)	-	48%	32%	-	15%	6%	-
DeLaSalle Education Center (9-12)	-	92%	3%	-	2%	2%	-
Ewing Marion Kauffman School (5-12)	2%	80%	11%	-	3%	4%	-

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS	ASIAN	BLACK	HISPANIC	NATIVE	WHITE	MULTI- RACIAL	PACIFIC ISLANDER
Frontier School of Innovation (4-8)	2%	12%	75%	-	9%	-	-
Frontier School of Excellence (6-12)	-	51%	44%	-	4%	-	-
Frontier School of Innovation (K-3)	1%	18%	70%	-	7%	3%	-
Frontier STEM High School (9-12)	-	17%	77%	-	5%	-	-
Genesis School (PK-8)	-	86%	7%	-	3%	5%	-
Gordon Parks Elementary (PK-4)	-	53%	30%	-	9%	8%	-
Guadalupe Centers - Elementary School (PK-5)	-	2%	96%	-	2%	-	-
Guadalupe Centers - High School (9-12)	-	1%	97%	-	1%	-	-
Guadalupe Centers - Middle School (6-8)	-	-	98%	-	1%	-	-
Hogan Prep Academy	-	91%	5%	-	-	2%	-
Hogan Prep Academy Elementary School (PK-5)	-	91%	5%	-	1%	3%	-
Hope Leadership Academy (K-4)	-	85%	8%	-	-	-	-
Kansas City Girls Prep Academy (5-8; growing 5-12)	-	67%	22%	-	7%	-	-
KC International Academy (PK-8)	13%	52%	26%	-	4%	5%	-
KIPP: Endeavor Academy (PK-8)	-	81%	13%	-	1%	4%	-
KIPP: Legacy High School (9-11; growing 9-12)	-	77%	17%	-	-	5%	-
Lee A. Tolbert Community Academy (K-8)	-	92%	3%	-	-	3%	-
Scuola Vita Nuova (K-8)	-	45%	45%	-	7%	-	-
University Academy (PK-12)	-	95%	2%	-	1%	-	-



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Does the Kansas City Public Schools (KCPS) district serve everyone who lives in Kansas City, Missouri?

No. There are 14 other school districts that serve Kansas City, Missouri. They are: Belton, Blue Springs, Center, Grandview, Hickman Mills, Independence, Kearney, Lee's Summit, Liberty, North Kansas City, Park Hill, Platte County, Raytown, and Smithville.

KCPS operates 31 schools from elementary through high school. These include 7 signature schools and 24 neighborhood schools. (These 31 schools are covered in this guide along with charter, faith-based and independent private schools.)

Q: When I was growing up, we just went to the schools nearby. Won't my child just go to the school closest to where they live?

In Kansas City, there are options - neighborhood, signature, charter, faith-based and independent private schools. Students living within the KCPS boundaries are guaranteed a spot in their neighborhood school and many people choose this option. Show Me KC Schools exists to help you know all of the options available in order to find a right fit for your child and family.

Q: I don't live in the KCPS district - can I still attend a Kansas City neighborhood, signature or public charter school?

No. Both KCPS and all charter schools require that the student live in the KCPS boundaries. Visit www.showmekcschools.org for mroe information.

Q: I am moving to Kansas City, Missouri and don't have an address yet. What are my options?

Welcome to Kansas City! Please check with individual schools to see how they might be able to accommodate you.

Q: What is the age requirement for a child to enroll in Kindergarten in a Kansas City school?

A child must be 5 years old by July 31 to enroll in a KCPS Kindergarten.

For public charter schools in Kansas City, the cutoff dates for turning 5 years old vary between July 31 and October 1.

Private schools determine their own cut-off dates. For the most part, private schools' cut-off dates fall over the summer – typically between July 1st and August 31st.

To learn about specific schools, please visit individual profiles in this guide.

Q: I have more than one child. Can they all go to the same school?

Most schools do offer priority for siblings. Once one of your children is enrolled, the others will have priority over families that are new to a school.

Q: How does school transportation work? Is my child eligible?

KCPS SCHOOLS:

Students who live half a mile or more from their neighborhood or signature school are eligible for transportation. They will have a bus stop within two blocks of their address. Students who live less than half a mile from their school are not eligible. The safe transport of these students to and from school is the responsibility of the parent or quardian. District transportation is not provided for Pre-K students or students who elect to attend a neighborhood school other than their resident neighborhood school.

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS:

The majority of charter schools provide transportation. Charter schools have individual transportation policies – some provide door-todoor transportation, some have central pick-up and drop off locations and others do not have a school bus, but may help provide city bus passes. Please check the individual school listings in this guide book or on our website (www.showmekcschools.org) to confirm whether or not transportation is provided.

FAITH-BASED AND INDEPENDENT PRIVATE SCHOOLS:

The majority of faith-based and independent private schools do not provide transportation. School directories are often shared in order for families to find others near them with whom to set up carpools. Please check the individual school listings in this guide book or on our website (www.showmekcschools.org) to confirm whether or not transportation is provided.

Q: What are my options if I don't get my first choice of school?

It is a good idea to apply to multiple schools. With the exception of your neighborhood school, there is no guarantee in a given year that your child will get a place at a particular school. Some schools have waitlists and you are welcome to stay on a waitlist until a spot opens for your student.

GLOSSARY OF EDUCATION TERMS

The school search process often brings with it vocabulary and ideas that may be new to you. This glossary is meant to help clear the confusion. We'd love your help expanding this glossary on our website and in future guides! If you have suggestions, please contact us through on our website at www.showmekcschools.org.

504 PLAN

A 504 plan is a blueprint or plan for how a child will have access to learning at school. It provides services and changes to the learning environment to meet the needs of the child as adequately as other students.

AP (ADVANCED PLACEMENT)

AP is a program created by a non-profit organization called College Board that offers college-level school work (AP classes) and exams (AP tests) to high school students. Many colleges and universities in the United States grant placement and course credit to students who earn high scores on their AP tests.

BIST (BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION SUPPORT TEAM)

BIST is a behavior management system that was developed in Kansas City. It is used in some schools to minimize classroom disruptions through a series of clear steps designed to help students learn to manage their own behavior.

CTE / IRC / RWL

Career Tech Education (CTE)
Industry-Recognized Credentials (IRC)
Real World Learning Certificates (RWL)
These certificates are recognized in many job fields.
Students graduating with their high school diploma and these certificates can enter directly into the workforce, such as construction, healthcare and information technology.

CHILD CARE

Usually used when the program is designed to cover the parents/caregivers work hours. May or may not include a curriculum, and can start at birth and continue through early elementary.

CHILD CARE SUBSIDY

Special pricing or assistance with child care payments for eligible families based on household size and income. For more information on eligibility and to apply in Missouri, visit the Office of Childhood website at www.childcare.mo.gov

CONSCIOUS DISCIPLINE

Conscious Discipline is a curriculum package and classroom management method that focuses on social and emotional learning. It helps students focus on regulating and explaining their own emotions and behavior as well as on interpersonal skills.

CONSTRUCTIVIST

Constructivist learning is based on the belief that learning happens as learners are actively involved opposed to passively receiving information from teachers. Teachers provide the tools, guidance and experiences students need so that they can construct their own meaning and knowledge.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

The care and education for children from birth to when they enter kindergarten. Sometimes this term is used to refer more specifically for the birth to age 3 years.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Sometimes referred to as lower or primary school, elementary school starts in Kindergarten and generally goes through 5th grade. In Kansas City, a few elementary schools end in 4th grade and others continue through 6th. Please check the individual school listings in this guide book or on our website (www.showmekcschools.org) to see if the school you're considering has the grades you need.

ELL (ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS)

Students who are new to the English language or are working toward proficiency are called English Language Learners or ELLs.

EXTENDED CARE/BEFORE CARE/AFTER CARE

These programs extend the school day with care, activities and homework time for children whose families need to drop them off earlier or pick them up later than the regular school day.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

These are activities that happen outside of the regular school curriculum. They might include sports, drama, art, robotics, gardening, student government, music, etc. Extracurricular activities are generally optional and not required by the school.

HIGH SCHOOL

High school is typically comprised of grades 9 through 12.

IB (INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE)

IB is an international educational program based in Switzerland and followed to various degrees in several Kansas City schools. The International Baccalaureate organization has specific guidelines that IB programs must follow in order for schools to be officially labeled IB.

IEP (INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PLAN)

All public schools (both district and charter) must create a specialized academic plan, referred to as an Individualized Education Plan (IEP), for children with special needs. They must do this within 30 calendar days after the child is determined eligible. However, it is important to remember that just because a child has a disability or impairment, they may not automatically qualify for special education services. The IEP process must be followed in order to qualify and receive services.

INFANT AND TODDLER CARE

The care of children from birth to age 3 years.

KCPS (KANSAS CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS) BOUNDARIES

On a map, the residential areas served by the Kansas City Public Schools. A student's address must lie in the boundaries in order for him or her to attend the neighborhood, signature and charter schools described in this guide. Faith-based and independent private schools accept students outside of these boundaries. Check out the map on page 8 of the KCPS boundaries.

LANGUAGE IMMERSION

In a dual language program instruction is provided to students in two languages. The goal is for students to be proficient and literate in both languages by the time they finish the program (which takes multiple years). Variations of this type of program are also called Dual Language, Partial Immersion, Full Immersion, One-way Dual Immersion.

LINC (LOCAL INVESTMENT COMMISSION)

LINC is a Missouri state-funded non-profit organization that, among other things, provides extended care and other supplemental services to public school children across the city.

LOTTERY

If charter schools have more applications than seats available, the schools conduct a lottery in which students are randomly selected. Once each grade is full, individuals will be added to the waitlist.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Middle school is the step that comes between elementary and high school. In Kansas City, particular schools encompass different grades in their middle schools. Some middle schools include 5th through 8th grades. Others start with 6th grade and go through 8th.

MONTESSORI

Montessori education was created in the early 1900s by Italian doctor and educator, Maria Montessori. In a Montessori classroom, students are given freedom and independence (within limits) and teachers pay special attention to students' psychological, physical and social development. Montessori education is a constructivist model. Students are usually in classrooms of mixed age groups and have the same teacher for several years.

PBIS (POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS)

PBIS is a school discipline method that emphasizes what students CAN do, not what they CAN'T and gives them tools to create positive social skills.

PRE-K

An education program for 3 and/or 4 year olds, which is typically the 2 years before a child enters kindergarten. Usually a curriculum is used and the teachers focus on skills needed for success in kindergarten and beyond.

PRESCHOOL

Usually refers to an education program for 3 and/or 4 year olds. "Preschool" often means the same thing as "Pre-K."

PROJECT BASED LEARNING (PBL)

Students work together to explore big driving questions as a means to learning academic content and developing modern-world skills. Their learning happens through large, open-ended projects. Teachers act as guides and facilitators to develop the big questions and focus the learning and assess students' work through the projects they create.

SCHOOLAPPKC

SchoolAppKC is a common school application designed to make applying to schools easier for families. To date there are 20 schools participating. Use one application to apply to multiple schools. Each year, the application will open in conjunction with the City School Fair in November. www.schoolappkc.org

SPED

SPED is often used as an abbreviation for Special Education.

STEM/STEAM

STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. STEAM adds Art into that mix. (We've even seen STREAM being used! The R is for Reading.)

TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN (TK)

Some elementary schools offer "transitional kindergarten," or "TK." These programs are for children whose birthdates make them eligible for kindergarten and the parents and/or teachers have decided to give the child an extra year of kindergarten to support their development. Children in "transitional kindergarten" will move to "kindergarten" the following year, essentially giving the child 2 years of kindergarten.

WAITLIST

When a school has no more seats available, but there are still students who are interested in attending, the school will put these students on a waitlist. As space becomes available, students on the waitlist are contacted and given some limited time to respond with whether or not they'd like to take the newly opened seat. In some cases, seats may open after the school year has started.

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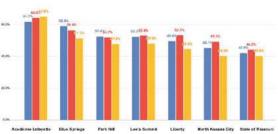
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