

# 2023 Merit Schools of Distinction



## ARIZONA

### Tucson Unified School District

#### Tucson High Magnet School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Fine & Performing Arts, Natural Sciences

URL: <https://thms.tusd1.org/>

#### Fairfax Senior High

#### Visual Arts Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Visual Arts

URL: <https://fairfaxhs.org/>

#### Franciso Bravo Medical Magnet High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Medical

URL: <https://bravomedhs-laUSD-ca.schoolloop.com/>

## CALIFORNIA

### Los Angeles Unified School District

#### 32nd USC Media Arts and Engineering Magnet School

Grade(s): 6-12

Theme(s): Media Arts and Engineering

URL: <https://32ndstreet-uscmagnet.schoolloop.com/>

#### Franklin High School STEM Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics

URL:

[https://franklinhs.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=345520&type=d](https://franklinhs.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=345520&type=d)

#### Alexander Fleming Middle School Science, Technology, Mathematics Magnet Program

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Science, Technology, Mathematics

URL: [flemingms.org](http://flemingms.org)

#### George K. Porter Middle School and Gifted Magnet

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Gifted Magnet

URL: [portterms.com](http://portterms.com)

#### ArTES Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Visual and Performing Arts

URL: [www.artesmagnet.org](http://www.artesmagnet.org)

#### Hale Charter Academy STEAM Magnet

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Science Technology Art Math

URL: <https://hcasteam.weebly.com/>

#### Bryson Avenue Elementary STEAM Magnet

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math

URL: <https://brysones-laUSD-ca.schoolloop.com/>

#### Hale Charter Academy Visual And Performing Arts Magnet

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Visual And Performing Arts

URL: <http://halevapa.weebly.com/>

#### Fairfax High School

#### *Police Academy Magnet*

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Law Enforcement

URL: <https://fairfaxhs.org>

#### Lake Balboa College Preparatory Magnet School

Grade(s): K-12

Theme(s): Liberal Studies: College Preparatory

URL: <https://www.lakebalboacollegeprep.com/>

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## Lawrence Gifted/Highly Gifted Magnet

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Gifted

URL: [lawrencemiddleschool.net](http://lawrencemiddleschool.net)

## Orthopaedic Hospital

### Medical Magnet High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Medical

URL: <https://www.orthovipers.org/>

## Los Feliz Science Technology Engineering Math

### Medicine Magnet

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Science, Technology, Engineering, Math,  
Medicine (STEMM)

URL: <https://lfe-laUSD-ca.schoolloop.com/>

## Pacoima Middle School Film/Media/Performing Arts and Computer Science/Math Magnets

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Film/Media/Performing Arts and Computer  
Science/Math

URL: [www.pacoima-ms.net/](http://www.pacoima-ms.net/)

## Math Science Technology Magnet Academy

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): STEM

URL: [mstmaatroosevelt.org](http://mstmaatroosevelt.org)

## Phineas Banning High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): College Preparatory, Firefighter/EMS, Police  
Academy, Science Technology Engineering Art  
Mathematics

URL: [www.banningshs.org](http://www.banningshs.org)

## Melrose Elementary Math/Science/Technology Magnet School

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Math/Science/Technology

URL: [WWW.MELROSESTARS.ORG](http://WWW.MELROSESTARS.ORG)

## Reseda Charter High School

### Police Academy Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Public Service, Public Safety, Law Enforcement,  
Forensics

URL: <https://www.resedapoliceacademymagnet.com/>

## Northridge Middle School

### *Medical and Health Careers Magnet*

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Medical and Health Careers Magnet

URL: <https://northridgems-laUSD-ca.schoolloop.com/>

## Reseda Charter High School

### Science Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Science

URL: <https://www.resedasciencemagnet.net>

## Olive Vista Middle School STEAM Magnet

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Science, Technology, Engineering, Art,  
Mathematics (STEAM)

URL: [ovsteam.com](http://ovsteam.com)

## San Pedro Gifted STEAM Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Gifted

Science/Technology/Engineering/Art/Math (STEAM)

URL: [www.sanpedrogiftedmagnet.org](http://www.sanpedrogiftedmagnet.org)

## Open Charter Magnet

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Liberal Arts

URL: [www.opencharter.org](http://www.opencharter.org)

## Sherman Oaks Center for Enriched Studies

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Grade(s): 4-12  
Theme(s): Center for Enriched Studies  
URL: <http://www.shermanoakscses.com/>

## The Academy for Enriched Sciences

Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Science  
URL: <https://aes-lausd-ca.schoolloop.com/>

## Van Nuys High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Science/Technology/Math, Performing Arts,  
and Medical Careers  
URL: [vannuyshs.org](http://vannuyshs.org)

## Van Nuys Middle School

STEAM Magnet  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): STEAM  
URL: <https://www.vannuysms.org/>

## Verdugo Hills High School

STEMM Magnet  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Science, Technology, Engineering,  
Mathematics, and Multimedia  
URL: <https://www.verdugohs.org/>

## CONNECTICUT

### Area Cooperative Educational Services (ACES)

#### ACES Wintergreen Interdistrict Magnet School

Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): The Arts  
URL: [www.aces.org/wims](http://www.aces.org/wims)

## Biotechnology Research & Zoological Sciences High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Biotechnology, Pharmacology, Zoological  
Sciences  
URL: <https://www.bridgeportedu.net/biotech>

## The Aerospace/Hydrospace Engineering and Physical Sciences High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Aerospace and Hydrospace Engineering  
URL: <https://www.bridgeportedu.net/aero>

### Capitol Regional Education Council (CREC)

#### Academy of Science and Innovation

Grade(s): 6-12  
Theme(s): STEM: Engineering, Robotics, Computer  
Science, and Biotechnology  
URL: <https://asi.crecschools.org/>

### Hartford Public Schools

#### Breakthrough Magnet School North

Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Character Education  
URL:  
<https://sites.google.com/hartfordschools.org/breakthrough-h-north>

#### Breakthrough Magnet School South

Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): Character Education  
URL: [www.breakthroughmagnetschool.org](http://www.breakthroughmagnetschool.org)

#### Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy

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Grade(s): 6-12  
Theme(s): Early College, Science and the Arts  
URL: [www.hartfordschools.org/hmtca](http://www.hartfordschools.org/hmtca)

## New Haven Public Schools

**Davis Academy of Arts & Design Innovation**  
Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): Arts and Design Innovation  
URL: <http://davisstreetschool.weebly.com/>

**Engineering and Science University Magnet School**  
Grade(s): 6-12  
Theme(s): Engineering and Science  
URL: [esumsnh.net](http://esumsnh.net)

**Hill Regional Career High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Health /Science and Business/Technology  
URL: <https://www.careerhighschool.org>

**L.W Beecher Museum Magnet School of Arts and Sciences**  
Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): Museum Studies  
URL: [www.beechermuseummagnet.org/](http://www.beechermuseummagnet.org/)

**Mauro-Sheridan Interdistrict Magnet School for Science, Technology and Communications**  
Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): Science, Technology, Communications  
URL: <https://www.maurosheridan.com/>

## Waterbury Public Schools

**Maloney Interdistrict Magnet School**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Multicultural and Science and Technology  
URL: <https://www.waterbury.k12.ct.us/21/Home>

## FLORIDA

## Broward County Public Schools

**Apollo Middle School**  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): STEM & Cambridge  
URL: [www.browardschools.com/apollo](http://www.browardschools.com/apollo)

**Atlantic Technical College and Technical High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Technical Academies  
URL: <https://www.browardschools.com/atlantictechhigh>

**Attucks Middle School**  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Cambridge Global Communications Academy  
URL: [Browardschools.com/Attucks](http://Browardschools.com/Attucks)

**Beachside Montessori Village**  
Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): Montessori  
URL: [www.browardschools.com/beachside](http://www.browardschools.com/beachside)

**Dillard High School Emerging Computer Technology Magnet**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Emerging Computer Technology  
URL: <https://www.browardschools.com/dillardhigh>

**Driftwood Middle School**

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Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Health and Wellness  
URL: <https://www.browardschools.com/driftwoodmid>

Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): S.T.E.M.  
URL: <https://www.browardschools.com/silverlakesmid>

**Fort Lauderdale High School  
Pre-Law and Public Affairs**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Pre-Law and Public Affairs  
URL: [www.browardschools.com/fortlauderdale](http://www.browardschools.com/fortlauderdale)

**William T. McFatter Technical College and  
Technical High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Technical Studies  
URL: [www.browardschools.com/mcfattertechhigh](http://www.browardschools.com/mcfattertechhigh)

**Hallandale Magnet High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Academy of Entrepreneurship, STEM, & Multi-Media Technology  
URL: <https://www.browardschools.com/hallandalehigh>

## Hillsborough County Public Schools

**A.P. Leto High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Collegiate Academy  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/letto>

**New River Middle School  
Marine Science Magnet Program**  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Marine Science  
URL: <https://www.browardschools.com/newriver>

**Armwood High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): academic-Collegiate Academy  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/armwood>

**Northeast High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Biotechnology  
URL: [www.browardschools.com/northeast](http://www.browardschools.com/northeast)

**Dunbar Elementary Magnet School**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Medical Science Exploration  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/dunbar>

**Plantation Elementary STEM Museum Magnet  
School**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): STEM Museum Magnet  
URL: <https://www.browardschools.com/plantationelem>

**Franklin Boys Preparatory Academy**  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Boys Preparatory Academy / Cambridge Studies  
URL: [Franklin.mysdhc.org](http://Franklin.mysdhc.org)

**Sheridan Technical College and High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Career Technical Academy  
URL: <https://www.browardschools.com/sheridantechhigh>

**George S. Middleton Pre-Collegiate STEM  
Academy High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Biomedical/ Biotechnology, Computer Game Design, Cyber Security and Computer Science, Engineering  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/middleton>  
**Greco Middle Magnet**

**Silver Lakes Middle School**  
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Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/Greco>

School of the Arts  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Visual, Performing, & Communication Arts  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/shore>

Lincoln Elementary Magnet School  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program  
URL: <https://hillsboroughschools.org/lincoln>

Sligh Middle Magnet School  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Medical and Sports Science  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/sligh>

Macfarlane Park Elementary  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): IB International Baccalaureate  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/macfarlanepark>

Tampa Bay Technical High School  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Academy of Health Professions, Academy of Veterinary Science, Academy of Architecture, Collision Repair & Paint Refinishing, Transportation Services, Business Entrepreneurship, Commercial Art Academy, Computer Systems Technology/Cisco Academy, Culinary Arts, Early Childhood Education, NJROTC, & Welding  
URL: [www.mytbt.org](http://www.mytbt.org)

Marshall Middle Magnet School  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate World School  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/Page/263>

Walker Middle Magnet  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/walker>

Orange Grove Middle Magnet School of the Arts  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Visual, Communication, and Performing Arts  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/orangegrove>

Williams Middle Magnet School IB MYP  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme  
URL: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/williams>

Progress Village Middle Magnet School of the Arts  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Performance and visual arts  
URL: [www.hillsboroughschools.org/progressvillage](http://www.hillsboroughschools.org/progressvillage)

Richard C. Spoto High School  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Collegiate Academy  
URL: [hillsboroughschools.org/spoto](http://hillsboroughschools.org/spoto)

## Marion County Public Schools

Dunnellon High School  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Providing a personalized academic experience for each student  
URL: <https://www.marionschools.net/dhs>

Shore Elementary Magnet

Horizon Academy at Marion Oaks



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Grade(s): 5-8  
Theme(s): STEAM  
URL: <https://www.marionschools.net/ham>

## North Marion High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Cambridge  
URL: <https://www.marionschools.net/nmh>

## Reddick Collier Elementary

Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): STEAM  
URL:  
[www.marionschools.net/Vrce](http://www.marionschools.net/Vrce)(<http://www.marionschools.net/Vrce>)

## Miami-Dade County Public Schools

### Air Base K-8 Center

Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): International Education/Cambridge-Spanish,  
International Education/Cambridge-French  
URL: <https://www.airbasek8.net>

### American Senior High

#### *Academy of Biomedical Careers*

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Biomedical  
URL: <https://americanshs.net/>

### Arthur & Polly Mays Conservatory of the Arts

Grade(s): 6-12  
Theme(s): Visual, Performing and Communicative Arts  
URL: <http://apmays.dadeschools.net>

### Arvida Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Global Studies  
URL: [www.arvidamiddle.net](http://www.arvidamiddle.net)

### Coconut Palm K8 Academy

Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): Agriscience Engineering  
and Medical Technology  
URL: <https://coconutpalmk8.net/>

### Coral Gables Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate  
URL: <https://www.coralgabdescavaliers.org>

### Coral Reef Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Agriscience, Engineering, International  
Baccalaureate, Medical/Health Sciences, Business and  
Finance, Legal and Visual & Performing Arts  
URL: <https://coralreefhighschool.net/>

### Design and Architecture Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Architecture, Entertainment Technology (Film),  
Fashion, Industrial Design, and Visual Communications  
(Graphics)  
URL: <https://dashschool.org/>

### Dr. Henry E. Perrine Academy of the Arts

Grade(s): 3-5  
Theme(s): Visual and Performing Arts  
URL: <http://perrineelementary.dadeschools.net>

### Dr. Michael M. Krop Senior High School

#### S.T.A.R. Academy

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Visual and Performing Arts  
URL: [kropseniorhigh.org](http://kropseniorhigh.org)

### Felix Varela Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Our iPrep, Global Studies, and Veterinary  
Science magnet programs aim to create skilled leaders in  
various academic fields who demonstrate success in  
college and employment and invite the challenges of

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navigating in a world where multiple perspectives and lenses are crucial for success.

URL: <https://www.varelahighschool.org/>

## Frank C. Martin K-8 Center

Grade(s): 1-8

Theme(s): International Baccalaureate

URL: [fcmartink8.net](http://fcmartink8.net)

## G. Holmes Braddock Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): International Program, Technology

URL: [braddockbulldogs.org](http://braddockbulldogs.org)

## George Washington Carver Elementary

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): International Program-International Education-IE Spanish

URL: <https://gwces.com/>

## Herbert A. Ammons Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program

URL: <https://www.ammonseagles.com/>

## Hialeah Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Visual & Performing Arts - Art, Band, Dance, Theatre

URL: <https://www.hialeahmiddleschool.com/>

## Hialeah-Miami Lakes Senior High

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): College Readiness and Career path

URL: <https://hmltrojans.org/#>

## iPrep Academy North

Grade(s): 6-12

Theme(s): Cambridge Assessment International Education, STEM courses in collaboration with LEGO Education

URL: <https://www.iprepnorth.com/>

## iPreparatory Academy

Grade(s): K-12

Theme(s): International Education/Global Focus

URL: [www.iprepacademy.com](http://www.iprepacademy.com)

## iTech Magnet High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Robots, Drones, Entrepreneurship, Esports

URL: [www.itechhighschool.com](http://www.itechhighschool.com)

## Joella C Good Elementary Montessori Magnet

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Montessori

URL: <https://joellacgood.org/>

## John F. Kennedy Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Biomedical & Environmental Agriculture Technology

URL: <https://www.jfkmiddle.net/>

## Jose Marti MAST 6-12 Academy

Grade(s): 6-12

Theme(s): Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics

URL: [www.josemartimast.net](http://www.josemartimast.net)

## Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Law Studies, Forensic Science, Homeland Security

URL: <https://www.schoolofjustice.org>



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## Lawton Chiles Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Cambridge International

URL: <https://lawtonchilesmiddle.com/>

## Miami Sunset Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Medical (STEM)

URL: [www.miamisunsetsenior.com](http://www.miamisunsetsenior.com)

## Miami Arts Studio 6-12 @ Zelda Glazer

Grade(s): 6-12

Theme(s): Band, Broadcast, Orchestra, Visual Arts, Technical Production, Vocal, Dance, Theatre, Entertainment Law

URL: <http://mas.dadeschools.net>

## Norland Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Visual and Performing Arts - Band, Art, Chorus, Drama, and Dance

URL: [www.norlandmiddleschool.net](http://www.norlandmiddleschool.net)

## Miami Coral Park Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Engineering & Robotics

URL: [www.mcps.shs.net](http://www.mcps.shs.net)

## North Dade Center for Modern Languages

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): International Education

URL: <http://northdadecml.com>

## Miami Killian Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): iPrep Academy, Cambridge Assessment International Education, International Law Studies Academy (ILSA)

URL: <https://miamikillianhs.com>

## Palm Springs Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Multimedia Entertainment Technology

URL: <http://palmspringsmiddleschool.net/>

## Miami Lakes Educational Center

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Cambridge, Communications, Entrepreneurship, Health Sciences, Information Technology, Trade and Industry

URL: <https://www.mlecshs.com/>

## Phyllis Ruth Miller Elementary

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Montessori

URL: [www.phyllisruthmiller.org](http://www.phyllisruthmiller.org)

## Miami Southridge Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Business Innovation & Management, Coding & App Development, and Gaming Design & Animation

URL: <https://miamisouthridgeshs.com/>

## Richmond Heights Middle Zoology Magnet

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Zoology

URL: <http://richmondheightsmiddle.com>

## Riviera Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Art, Animation, Film Production, Graphic Arts, Game Development, Robotics, Science, Technology

URL: [www.rivieramiddle.net](http://www.rivieramiddle.net)

## Miami Springs Senior High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Video Game, Simulation, and Animation

URL: <https://miamispringshawks.net/itech-academy/>

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**Robert Morgan Educational Center**  
 Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Digital Media Technology, Engineering, Entrepreneurship, Health Science, Visual & Performing Arts  
 URL: <https://robertmorganeducenter.com/>

**Sunset Elementary School**  
 Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): International Studies, French, German, Spanish  
 URL: <https://sunsetinternationalschool.com/>

**Rubén Darío Middle Community School**  
 Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): Medical Health Sciences  
 URL: <https://rubendarioms.org/>

**TERRA Environmental Research Institute**  
 Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Environmental Research and Field Studies, Robotics and Engineering, and Biomedical Research  
 URL: <https://terrawolves.com>

**Scott Lake Elementary School**  
 Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Montessori  
 URL: [SCOTTLAKEVIKINGS.ORG](http://SCOTTLAKEVIKINGS.ORG)

**West Miami Middle School**  
 Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): Marine/Environmental/Technology  
 URL: [www.westmiamimiddle.org](http://www.westmiamimiddle.org)

**South Dade Senior High**  
 Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): STEM and International Studies  
 URL: <https://sdschs.net/>

**Westland Hialeah Senior High School**  
 Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Early College & Career Pathways  
 URL: <https://www.westlandwildcats.net>

**South Miami Senior High - Magnet School for the Arts**  
 Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Visual & Performing Arts (VPA)  
 URL: <https://www.southmiamiseniorhigh.org>

**William H Turner Technical Arts High School**  
 Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Agribusiness, Business & Finance, Civil Engineering & Architectural Design, Criminal Justice, Entertainment Technology, Information Technology, Medical Sciences, and Veterinary Science & Agricultural Technol  
 URL: <https://whtt7601.wixsite.com/turnertech>

**Southside Preparatory Academy**  
 Grade(s): K-8  
 Theme(s): Museums  
 URL: <https://www.southsideowls.org/>

**WJ Bryan Elementary Museums Magnet**  
 Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Museums  
 URL: <https://wjbryanmagnet.net/>

**Southwood Middle School Center for the Arts**  
 Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): Visual and Performing Arts  
 URL: [www.southwoodmiddleschool.org](http://www.southwoodmiddleschool.org)

**Young Men's Preparatory Academy**  
 Grade(s): 6-12  
 Theme(s): Leadership / S.T.E.A.M.  
 URL: [www.ympacademy.org](http://www.ympacademy.org)

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## Orange County Public Schools

### Arbor Ridge K-8 - 6-8 Option Magnet

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): 6-8 Option: A small learning environment

URL: [arborridgek8.ocps.net](http://arborridgek8.ocps.net)

### Bay Meadows Elementary School

#### STEAM Career Academy Magnet

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): STEAM Career Academy (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics)

URL: [baymeadows.ocps.net](http://baymeadows.ocps.net)

### Dr. Phillips High School

#### Visual and Performing Arts Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Visual and Performing Arts

URL: <https://drphillipshs.ocps.net>

### Howard Middle School

#### Academy of Arts

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Visual and Performing Arts

URL: [www.howardms.ocps.net](http://www.howardms.ocps.net)

### Hunter's Creek Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Two-Way Dual Language

URL: <https://hunterscreekes.ocps.net>

### Orlando Gifted Academy

Grade(s): 2-8

Theme(s): Gifted Education

URL: [orlandogiftedacademy.ocps.net](http://orlandogiftedacademy.ocps.net)

### Roberto Clemente Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Middle Years International Baccalaureate Programme

URL: <https://robertoclementems.ocps.net>

### Tildenville Elementary School

#### Two-Way Dual Language Magnet

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Two-Way Dual Language

URL: [tildenvillees.ocps.net](http://tildenvillees.ocps.net)

### University High School

#### International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Programme

URL: [www.universityhs.ocps.net](http://www.universityhs.ocps.net)

### University High School

#### Performing Fine Arts Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Performing Fine Arts

URL: [universityhs.ocps.net](http://universityhs.ocps.net)

## Pasco County Schools

### Hudson High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Cambridge Programme

URL: [hhs.pasco.k12.fl.us](http://hhs.pasco.k12.fl.us)

## Pinellas County Schools

### Countryside High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): ISTEM (Institute for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)

URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/countryside-hs>

### Douglas L. Jamerson, Jr. Elementary

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Mathematics and Engineering

URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/jamerson-es>

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## East Lake Middle School Academy of Engineering

Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): Engineering/STEM  
 URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/eastlake-ms>

## Ridgecrest Elementary Center for Gifted Studies

Grade(s): 1-5  
 Theme(s): Gifted Studies  
 URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/ridgecrest-es>

## Elisa Nelson Elementary School

Grade(s): 1-5  
 Theme(s): Gifted Studies and Literacy Innovation  
 URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/Nelson-ES>

## Tarpon Springs Middle School

*Cambridge Conservatory of Academics and the Arts*  
 Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): Arts, Cambridge Pre-AICE  
 URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/tarpon-ms>

## John Hopkins Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): Arts, Journalism and Gifted Studies  
 URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/hopkins-ms>

## Seminole County Public Schools

## Largo Middle IB World School

Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program -IB MYP  
 URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/largo-ms>

## Goldsboro Elementary Magnet School

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Science, Technology, Engineering, Math  
 URL: <https://goldsboro.scps.k12.fl.us/>

## Mildred Helms Elementary IB World School

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): International Baccalaureate  
 URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/mildred-es>

## Lyman High School

Academy of Engineering  
 Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Innovating Tomorrow  
 URL: <https://lyman.scps.k12.fl.us/>

## Perkins Elementary Center for the Arts and International Studies

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Visual and Performing Arts, International Studies  
 URL: <https://www.pcsb.org/perkins-es>

## Midway Elementary School of the Arts

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Artful Learning: Integrating High Academic Learning and Arts  
 URL: <https://midway.scps.k12.fl.us>

## Richard O. Jacobson Technical High School at Seminole

Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Construction / Electricity / Gaming Design / Commercial Art / Veterinary Assisting / Nursing / Marine Mechanics  
 URL: [www.pcsb.org/techhigh](http://www.pcsb.org/techhigh)

## The School District of Palm Beach County

### Don Estridge High Tech Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): Technology  
 URL: <https://deht.palmbeachschools.org/>

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## GEORGIA

### Richmond County Schools

C.T. Walker Traditional Magnet School  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Communications and Leadership  
URL: <https://walker.rcboe.org>

Price-Harris Communications  
Magnet Elementary  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Communications  
URL: [www.usd259.org/priceharris](http://www.usd259.org/priceharris)

## KANSAS

### USD 259 - Wichita Public Schools

Allison Traditional Magnet Middle School  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Traditional, Future-Focused  
URL: <https://www.usd259.org/allison>

Brooks STEM and the ARTS Magnet Middle School  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): STEM and the ARTS  
URL: <https://usd259.org/brooks>

Earhart Environmental Magnet  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Environmental Education  
URL: <https://www.usd259.org/Earhart>

Hyde Leadership and International Exploration Elementary  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): International Exploration and Leadership  
URL: <https://www.usd259.org/Hyde>

Jardine STEM and Career Explorations Academy  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): STEM and Career Explorations Academy  
URL: <https://www.usd259.org/jardine>

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## LOUISIANA

### East Baton Rouge Parish School System

Baton Rouge Magnet High School  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Academic/College Prep  
URL: [brmhs.com](http://brmhs.com)

Belfair Montessori Magnet School  
Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): Montessori  
URL: <https://ebschools.org/schools/belfairmontessori/>

Mayfair Laboratory School  
Grade(s): K-8  
Theme(s): academic magnet with a focus on environmental studies  
URL: [www.mayfairlabschool.com](http://www.mayfairlabschool.com)

Scotlandville Pre-Engineering Magnet Academy  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Pre-Engineering  
URL: [www.gospema.org](http://www.gospema.org)

Villa Del Rey Creative Sciences and Arts Magnet  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Renewable Energy, Entertainment Technology, Robotics & Coding, Engineering  
URL: [www.vdrmagnet.org](http://www.vdrmagnet.org)

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## Westdale Middle World Language Immersion Magnet School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): World Language Immersion

URL: <https://www.westdalemiddleschool.com>

## MINNESOTA

### Anoka-Hennepin ISD #11

#### Evergreen Park Elementary STEM School of Innovation

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Innovation

URL: <https://www.ahschools.us/evergreenpark>

#### Lincoln Elementary School for the Arts

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Arts

URL: <https://www.ahschools.us/lincoln>

### Rosemount-Apple Valley-Eagan Independent School District 196

#### Echo Park Elementary School of Leadership, Engineering and Technology

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Leadership, Engineering and Technology

URL: [www.ep.district196.org](http://www.ep.district196.org)

### Osseo Area Schools

#### Birch Grove Elementary School for the Arts

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Performing Arts

URL: [bg.district279.org](http://bg.district279.org)

## NEVADA

### Clark County School District

#### Advanced Technologies Academy

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Academics Plus Technology

URL: [atech.org](http://atech.org)

#### Brown Academy of International Studies

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): International Baccalaureate

URL: [www.brownjhs.org](http://www.brownjhs.org)

#### Clarence Piggott Academy of International Studies

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program

URL: <https://www.clarencepiggott.org/>

#### East Career and Technical Academy

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Career and Technical Education (Early Childhood Education, Teaching and Training, Medical Assisting/Pharmacy Tech, Sports Medicine, Health Information Management, Culinary Arts, Construction Technology, Marketing and Hospitality, Mechanical Technology, Information Technology)

URL: [www.easttechtitans.com](http://www.easttechtitans.com)

#### Ed W. Clark High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Academy of Math, Science Arts, and Technology, Academy of Finance, Teacher Education Academy at Clark High

URL: <https://www.clarkchargers.org/>

#### Gilbert Academy of Creative Arts

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Creative Arts

URL: [gilbertacademy.org](http://gilbertacademy.org)



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## The STEM and Medical Academy at Jim Bridger Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): STEM, Medical  
URL: [bridgerms.org](http://bridgerms.org)

## K.O. Knudson Academy of the Arts

Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Arts  
URL: [knudsonms.org](http://knudsonms.org)

## Kenny C. Guinn STEM Academy

Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): STEM  
URL: <https://guinntitans.org/>

## Las Vegas Academy of the Arts

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Music, Dance, Theatre, Visual Arts  
URL: <https://www.lasvegasacademy.net/>

## Mabel Hoggard Math and Science Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Math, Science, Technology  
URL: <https://www.mabelhoggard.net>

## McCaw STEAM Academy

Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): STEAM - Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, Math  
URL: <https://sites.google.com/nv.ccsd.net/mccawes>

## Mike O'Callaghan Middle School i3 Learn Academy

Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): STEM  
URL: [www.occomets.org](http://www.occomets.org)

## Northwest Career and Technical Academy

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Biomedical Science, Construction Technology, Culinary Arts, Engineering & Design, Hospitality & Marketing, Mechanical Technology, Teacher Education, and Veterinary Science  
URL: [nwctahawks.net](http://nwctahawks.net)

## Rancho High School

### Aviation Academy of Science and Technology

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Aviation  
URL: [ranchorams.org](http://ranchorams.org)

## Southeast Career Technical Academy

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Architectural Engineering, Automotive Service Technology, Construction Engineering, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Digital Game Development, Education and Training, Cybersecurity, Medical Professions, Multimedia Communications, and Sports Medicine  
URL: [secta.us](http://secta.us)

## Spring Valley High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Middle Years, Diploma, and Career-related Programs  
URL: <https://www.springvalleyhs.com/>

## Thurman White Academy of the Performing Arts

Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Performing and Creative Arts  
URL: <https://www.thurmanwhitems.com/>

## Valley High School

### International Baccalaureate Program

Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate  
URL: [valleyhs.vegas](http://valleyhs.vegas)

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**Veterans Tribute Career & Technical Academy**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Public Service: Law Enforcement & Emergency Medical Services  
URL: <http://vtcta.org>

**Walter Bracken STEAM Academy**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics  
URL: [brackensteamacademy.com](http://brackensteamacademy.com)

**Walter Johnson Junior High School Academy of International Studies**  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate (IB)  
URL: [johnsonjhs.org](http://johnsonjhs.org)

**West Career and Technical Academy**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Biomedical Sciences, Biotechnology, Business Management, Cybersecurity, Digital Media, Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Nursing, Sports Medicine  
URL: <https://wctawranglers.com/>

## NEW YORK

### NYC Community School District 28

**P.S. 349 Magnet School for Leadership and Innovation through STEAM**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Leadership and STEAM  
URL: [www.ps349.info](http://www.ps349.info)

### NYC Community School District 6

**PS 115- The Alexander Humboldt Magnet Academy Arts and Science Exploration**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): STEAM and Arts  
URL: <https://www.ps115m.org>

## NORTH CAROLINA

### Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools

**Dorothy J. Vaughan Academy of Technology**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): STEM: Computer Science Immersion  
URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/dorothyjvaughanES>

**East Mecklenburg High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate  
URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/eastmecklenburgHS>

**Idlewild Elementary School**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Learning Immersion and Talent Development  
URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/idlewildES>

**Irwin Academic Center**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Learning Immersion/Talent Development  
URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/irwinacademiccenterES>

**North Mecklenburg High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate, World Language Academy, and Career Technical Education  
URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/northmecklenburgHS>

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## Oaklawn Language Academy

Grade(s): K-8  
 Theme(s): Dual Language Spanish and English  
 URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/oaklawnMS>

## George Watts Montessori Magnet

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Montessori  
 URL: [watts.dpsnc.net](http://watts.dpsnc.net)

## Paw Creek Elementary

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Computer Science, STEM  
 URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/pawcreekES>

## Hillside High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Features of the IB magnet school include: ■ Grades 9-10 of the Middle Years Programme (MYP) – Rigorous program of academic challenge and critical thinking that draws connections among subject areas and to the real world ■ Diploma Programme (DP) – grades 11-12 – Rigorous yet balanced college preparatory coursework culminating in a series of examinations which may earn students college credits ■ Teachers receive certified IB training ■ Students become proficient in a second language through the IB course of study  
 URL: [hillside.dpsnc.net](http://hillside.dpsnc.net)

## Rea Farms STEAM Academy

Grade(s): K-8  
 Theme(s): STEAM  
 URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/reafarmsK8>

## South Academy of International Languages

Grade(s): K-8  
 Theme(s): World Languages  
 URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/sailMS>

## Lowe's Grove Magnet Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): Biotechnology and Business and Entrepreneurship  
 URL: <https://www.dpsnc.net/domain/42>

## South Mecklenburg High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Academy of World Language  
 URL: <https://www.cmsk12.org/southmecklenburgHS>

## Neal Magnet Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): STEM with LEAD lens  
 URL: <http://www.dpsnc.net/Neal>

## Durham Public Schools

### Burton Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Primay Years Programme  
 URL: <https://www.dpsnc.net/burton>

### Southern School of Energy & Sustainability

Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Energy & Sustainability , Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics(STEM)  
 URL: [www.southern.dpsnc.net](http://www.southern.dpsnc.net)

### City of Medicine Academy

Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Health Sciences and Dual Enrollment  
 URL: <https://www.dpsnc.net/domain/49>

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## Wake County Public School System

### A.B. Combs Leadership Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Leadership  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/combses>

### Athens Drive Center for Medical Sciences and Global Health Initiatives Magnet High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Medical Sciences and Global Health Initiatives  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/athensdrivehs>

### Brentwood Magnet Elementary School of Engineering

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Engineering  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/brentwoodes>

### Brooks Museums Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Museums  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/brookses>

### Broughton Global Studies/Language Immersion Magnet High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Global Studies, Language Immersion, International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/broughtonhs>

### Bugg Magnet Elementary School Center for Design and Computer Science

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Design and Computer Sciences  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/bugges>

### Carnage Gifted & Talented/ AIG Basics Magnet Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): Gifted and Talented /AIG Basics  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/carnagem>

### Douglas Creative Arts and Science Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): Creative Arts and Science  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/douglasses>

### East Garner International Baccalaureate MYP /Creative Arts Magnet Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8  
 Theme(s): IB/Middle Years Programme and Creative Arts  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/eastgarnerms>

### Enloe Gifted & Talented/ International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme Magnet High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): Gifted & Talented/ International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/enloehs>

### Fox Road International Baccalaureate PYP Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5  
 Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/foxroades>

### Garner International Baccalaureate Middle Years, Career-Related, and Diploma Programme Magnet High School

Grade(s): 9-12  
 Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Middle Years, Career-Related, and Diploma Programme  
 URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/garnerhs>

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## Hodge Road Spanish Dual Language Immersion Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-4

Theme(s): Spanish Dual Immersion

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/hodgeroades>

## Jeffreys Grove Spanish Language Immersion Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Spanish Language Immersion Magnet  
Elementary School

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/jeffreysgrovees>

## Joyner Center for Spanish Language/IB PYP Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Center for Spanish Language/International  
Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/joyneres>

## Martin Gifted & Talented Magnet Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Gifted and Talented

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/martinms>

## Millbrook Environmental Connections Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Environmental Connections

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/millbrookes>

## Millbrook International Baccalaureate Middle Years & Diploma Programme Magnet High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): International Baccalaureate

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/millbrookhs>

## Moore Square Gifted & Talented/AIG Basics Magnet Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Gifted & Talented/AIG Basics Magnet

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/mooresquarems>

## North Wake College and Career Academy

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): College and Career Academy

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/northwakeacademy>

## Oberlin Global Studies/Language Immersion Magnet Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Oberlin Global Studies/Language Immersion  
Magnet Middle School

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/oberlinms>

## Partnership Interactive Community Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Interactive Community

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/partnershipes>

## Powell Center for Play and Ingenuity Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Play and Ingenuity

URL: [www.wcpss.net/powelles](http://www.wcpss.net/powelles)

## Reedy Creek Magnet Middle School Center for the Digital Sciences

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Center for the Digital Sciences

URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/reedycreekms>

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**Southeast Raleigh University Connections:  
School of Design, Arts, and Engineering  
Magnet High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate. University  
Connections: School of Design, Arts, and Engineering  
URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/southeastraleighhs>

**Vernon Malone College and Career Academy**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Vernon Malone College and Career Academy  
URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/vernonmalonecca>

**Wake Early College of Health and Science High  
School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Early College + Health and Sciences  
URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/healthscienceec>

**Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy**  
Grade(s): 6-12  
Theme(s): Leadership  
URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/wywla>

**Wendell Creative Arts & Science Magnet  
Elementary School**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Creative Arts & Science  
URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/wendelles>

**West Millbrook International Baccalaureate  
MYP Magnet Middle School**  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): International Baccalaureate Middle Years  
Programme  
URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/westmillbrookms>

**Wiley International Studies  
Magnet Elementary School**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): International Studies  
URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/wileyes>

**Zebulon Gifted & Talented Magnet Elementary  
School**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Gifted and Talented  
URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/zebulones>

**Zebulon Gifted & Talented Magnet Middle  
School**  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Gifted and Talented  
URL: <https://www.wcpss.net/zebulonms>

## Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools

**Diggs-Latham Elementary Visual & Performing  
Arts A+ Magnet School**  
Grade(s): K-5  
Theme(s): Visual and Performing Arts  
URL: <https://www.wsfcs.k12.nc.us/diggses>

**Hanes Magnet School**  
Grade(s): 6-8  
Theme(s): Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math  
(STEM)  
URL: <https://www.wsfcs.k12.nc.us/hanesms>

**Simon G. Atkins Academic and Technology  
High School**  
Grade(s): 9-12  
Theme(s): Science Technology Engineering Math STEM  
Magnet  
URL: <https://www.wsfcs.k12.nc.us/atkinshs>



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## SOUTH CAROLINA

### Richland School District Two

#### North Springs Elementary

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): STEMS (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Magnet Program

URL: <https://www.richland2.org/nse>

#### Ridge View High School: A Med Pro Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): STEAMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math, Medical)

URL: <https://www.richland2.org/RVH/>

#### Sandlapper Elementary School

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Computer Science

URL: <https://www.richland2.org/se>

#### Smaller Learning Communities at Ridge View High School

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Business and Law/Medical

URL: <https://www.richland2.org/rvh>

### School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties

#### Spring Hill High School Career Pathways Magnet

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Career Pathways Magnet: Engineering, Entertainment, Entrepreneurial, Environmental Studies, Exercise Science

URL: <https://www.lexrich5.org/shhs>

### School District of Pickens County

#### McKissick Academy of Science and Technology

Grade(s): K-5

Theme(s): Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM)

URL: <https://mast.pickens.k12.sc.us>

## TENNESSEE

### Metro Nashville Public Schools

#### Glenclyff Entrepreneurship STEAM Magnet Elementary School

Grade(s): K-4

Theme(s): Entrepreneurship

URL: <https://glenclyffelementary.mnps.org/>

## TEXAS

### Aldine Independent School District

#### Carter Academy for the Performing Arts

Grade(s): 1-5

Theme(s): "Passport to the Arts"

URL: <https://carteracad.aldineisd.org/>

#### Charles R. Drew Academy

Grade(s): 7-8

Theme(s): Math, Science, Fine Arts

URL: <https://drewacad.aldineisd.org/>

#### Grantham Academy for Engineering

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): Engineering: Biomedical, Chemical, Civil, and Mechanical

URL: <https://granthamacad.aldineisd.org/>

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## Shotwell Middle School

Grade(s): 6-8

Theme(s): International Baccalaureate

URL: <https://shotwellms.aldineisd.org/>

## Versa V. Reece Academy

Grade(s): K

Theme(s): Montessori, Direct Instruction and Fine Arts

URL: <https://reeceacad.aldineisd.org/>

## Dallas Independent School District

### Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Performing and Visual Arts

URL: [www.dallasisd.org/bookert](http://www.dallasisd.org/bookert)

### School for the Talented and Gifted

Grade(s): 9-12

Theme(s): Talented and Gifted

URL: <https://www.dallasisd.org/tagmagnet>

### Trinity Heights Talented & Gifted

Grade(s): 1-8

Theme(s): STEAM: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math

URL: [www.dallasisd.org/TrinityHeights](http://www.dallasisd.org/TrinityHeights)