21-22 National Magnet Schools of Merit Award Winners
for Hillsborough County Public Schools

General Information:
The Magnet Schools of Merit award program recognizes the top Magnet Schools in the United States that show a commitment to high academic standards, curriculum innovation, successful desegregation / diversity efforts, specialized teaching staffs, and parent and community involvement.

The top category given to a group of select magnet schools is the Magnet School Merit Award of Excellence Award; the second category of awards is the Magnet School Merit Award of Distinction Award.

HCPS Results:
Hillsborough County Public Schools is pleased to share that 25 of its Magnet Schools were awarded in these two categories with 10 receiving the Magnet School Merit Award of Excellence and 15 receiving the Magnet School Merit Award of Distinction.

- The 25 total awards are the highest total earned by Magnet Schools in the history of Hillsborough County Public Schools!
- The 10 Excellence Awards are the highest in the district’s history as well!
- The district had over 71% of its applying Magnet Schools receive awards—one of the higher percentages in the nation among large districts!
- Four Magnet Schools earned awards in their first attempt/first year of eligibility (Monroe MS, Rodgers MS, Robinson HS, Spoto HS)
- Robinson High School became the first IB High School Program in HCPS to win a National Merit Award

The Magnet Office provided opportunities for schools to gather and collaborate on strengthening their award applications. The Magnet Supervisor worked with Magnet Leads through one-on-one tutorials, whole-group instruction, and regular guidance throughout the process.

These schools collaborated with one another as well at district-sponsored workshops and through their own devices. The collaboration between school site and district yielded results that go beyond the awards listed above.
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The dedication among the Magnet Lead Teachers at each of these award-winning schools as well as the hard work of the administrators, teachers, students, and families is truly exceptional. Earning this recognition is no easy feat, and we celebrate the commitment to excellence that each of the schools has shown!

The Magnet School of Excellence Award winners are:
- Dunbar Elementary Magnet School
- Boys Preparatory Academy at Franklin Middle Magnet School
- Macfarlane Park Elementary Magnet School (also designated a National Magnet Demonstration School in 21-22)
- Jefferson High School
- Muller Elementary Magnet School
- Progress Village Middle Magnet School of the Arts
- Riverhills Elementary Magnet IB World School (also designated a National Magnet Demonstration School in 21-22)
- Roland Park K-8 Magnet School
- Shore Elementary Magnet School of the Arts
- Walker Middle Magnet School

The Magnet School of Distinction Award winners are:
- Armwood Collegiate Academy
- Girls Preparatory Academy at Ferrell Middle Magnet School
- Lennard High School
- Lincoln Elementary Magnet School for International Studies
- Middleton High School
- South Tampa Academy at Monroe Middle Magnet School
- Rampello K-8 Downtown Partnership Magnet School
- Robinson High School
- Rodgers Middle Magnet School
- Sligh Middle Magnet School
- Spoto High School
- Stewart Middle Magnet School
- Tampa Bay Technical High School
- Tampa Heights Elementary Magnet School
- Williams Middle Magnet School