



Bridges Public Charter School is a small, public, student-focused Elementary School. Serving students and families in Washington DC since 2005.

Our mission is to provide an exemplary educational program that includes all students. Our developmentally appropriate, student and family-centered educational approach nurtures students to expand their developmental skills in order to build a foundation for life-long learning.

Program Features:

- *Small classroom sizes and well trained staff:*

Our program has small classrooms with well trained teachers in order to provide close and individualized attention to every student. We have inclusive general education classrooms and small, high-level special education classrooms.

- *Individual educational planning for each student:*

Individual educational planning is done to meet each student's learning needs. We address skills in all developmental

areas (cognitive, linguistic, physical, and social-emotional) to develop the whole student.

- *Thematic and project-based learning:*

Students learn from experience. Therefore, instruction in our classrooms is a combination of direct instruction, investigation / exploration, and play. Academic studies are thematic and project-based. Each day, students learn new skills through group and individual hands-on learning. Teachers serve as instructors and facilitators, encouraging students to interact with peers, materials, and the environment.

- *Transdisciplinary and family-centered approach:*

The educational program is supported by the expertise of a curriculum specialist, special education coordinator, social worker, speech therapist, and occupational therapist. Teachers and parents work together to develop learning goals for home and school.

Ages Served:

The school serves students in grades Pre-K3 to 5th grade. Children must turn 3 by September 30th of the upcoming school year to enter PK3; they must turn 4 by September 30th to enter PK4; they must turn 5 by September 30th to enter Kindergarten. For grades 1 through 4, students must have successfully completed the previous grade.

Location:

100 Gallatin St. NE
Washington, DC 20011

Bridges moved to its new, permanent location in August 2016. The building was designed entirely around the diverse community of learners we serve. The 42,496 square foot facility has 27 classrooms plus dedicated space for art, music, occupational therapy, speech/language therapy, English language learning, group activity, and 1:1 and small group pull out.

The building is LEED Gold, made possible through its green roof, storm-water management, landscaping, lighting, HVAC systems, plumbing fixtures, water fountains, and more.

Enrollment:

Bridges Public Charter School serves students in grades Pre-K 3 to 5th grade. We are accepting application for all grades, with additional slots open for 3rd to 5th grades. The school has an additional lottery for slots in our high-level special education classrooms. For more information, please visit our website. **Bridges Public Charter School is free and open to all District of Columbia residents.**

For More Information:

Apply at myschooldc.org. For more information about the school, visit our website at www.bridgespcs.org.