QUICK GUIDE TO METRO SCHOOLS
ABOUT MNPS

There is nothing more important than a child’s education. The way in which we instill knowledge, values and caring into children helps them grow into productive, compassionate and successful adults.

At Metro Nashville Public Schools, we understand that developing the whole child is critical to building a strong learning community. That’s why we work closely with students, staff, families and the community to ensure every child is ready for college, career and life.

With more than 86,000 students, we are a vibrant school district that offers a range of academic options to fit every family’s needs. Whether you are looking for advanced academics, related arts, special education services, English language supports or STEAM education programs, at MNPS, we offer the best choices to meet individual student needs — starting at Pre-K all the way through high school.

MNPS has some of the best educators in the country committed to providing a high quality education to every student. They teach rigorous curriculum designed to develop critical and creative thinkers prepared for the future. MNPS is also nationally-recognized for its innovative work in social-emotional learning. Every child is educated in a safe environment at schools where hundreds of diverse community and business partners provide resources, mentoring support and even postsecondary opportunities for students.

If there’s nothing more important than your child’s education, then MNPS has a place for you. We look forward to serving every student who walks through our doors. You will find this district to be a great place full of great schools, students, teachers, staff, administrators and partners all working together to ensure we deliver a great public education to every student, every day.

TO DISCOVER MORE ABOUT MNPS, VISIT WWW.MNPS.ORG/DISCOVER-MNPS

18% of our students are English learners.

Our students speak 139 different languages.

167 schools.

4 early learning centers.

72 elementary schools.

33 middle schools.

23 high schools.

30 charter schools.

3 alternative schools.

3 special education schools.

630 school buses in our fleet.

950 community partnerships.

421 buses make 26,680 stops a day.

Supporting our students and families

MNPS works with partners throughout Nashville to offer a wide range of programs and services to ensure students are fully supported, in and out of the classroom.

Family resource centers

Each Family Resource Center is a partnership of health and social service providers, residents, schools, businesses and faith-based organizations, all working together to build on the strengths and address the needs of the neighborhood.

Community achieves

Through our Community Achieves initiative, we foster student success by offering needed resources and support for parents, students and the community. Working with community partners, the schools offer programs focused on four key areas: College and Career Readiness, Family Engagement, Health and Wellness, and Social Services.

To find out if Community Achieves is a part of your school community, call 615-259-8569 or visit www.communityachieves.org.

Learn more about family supports at www.mnps.org/family-support
CHALLENGING STUDENTS TO EXCEED GREAT EXPECTATIONS

At Metro Nashville Public Schools, we are driven by a simple mission: “to deliver a great public education to every student, every day.” Students and parents will discover that Metro Schools offers the rigorous academic standards, engaging instruction, diversity and social-emotional support needed for student achievement. Through a multiplicity of advanced academics, related arts programming, Special Education and English Learner services—students have limitless choices in finding the right fit to become a life-long learner prepared for success in college, career and life.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE DIVERSE ACADEMIC PROGRAMS OFFERED ACROSS MNPS, VISIT WWW.MNPS.ORG/ACADEMIC-PROGRAMS

PRE-KINDERGARTEN
When it comes to a child’s first school experience, Metro Schools’ prekindergarten classrooms offer diverse learning environments in which activities are driven by the students, and teachers help children play and explore as a path to learning. Through implementation of The Creative Curriculum® for Preschool, classes focus on areas most important for school success. After completing Pre-K, each student will exhibit a love of learning and curiosity about the world and show growth in the foundational skills for reading, language and math.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Elementary levels align all core subjects with state and district learning standards. Teachers provide instruction in reading/language arts, mathematics, science, health and social studies and use a variety of teaching tools to actively engage students. Social-emotional learning is a key component to the curriculum and day-to-day environment. After completing grades K-4, students will demonstrate knowledge and skill in technology, computer and digital literacy, acquire basic skills in music, visual arts and physical education, read and write at or above grade level, demonstrate proficiency in math, and be academically prepared for the transition to middle school.
HIGH SCHOOL
High school offers students personalized, thematic learning tied to real-world experiences. At the end of grade 12, students will be academically prepared to transition to college and career, read and write at or above grade level, and be on track to enroll in a credit bearing math course in college. Throughout grades 9-12, students will formulate and follow a plan for post-secondary education and/or career by completing at least one advanced course and obtaining college credit and/or a nationally-recognized professional certification, as well as contributing through one or more work-based internships and/or service-learning experiences.

MIDDLE SCHOOL
Middle school is a pivotal time in a child’s education. That’s why MNPS is undertaking a teaching and learning transformation by implementing STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) curriculum. Through a collaborative planning approach, educators will challenge students to think critically, be creative, communicate and collaborate with their peers. Students are empowered to better understand how their skills fit into our complex world. After completing grades 5-8, students will be academically prepared for the transition to high school and to make education and career plans for high school and beyond.

ADVANCED ACADEMICS
» ENCORE
» Advanced Placement (AP)
» Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)
» International Baccalaureate Program
» School for Science and Math at Vanderbilt (SSMV)
» Tennessee Educational Decathlon (TED)

OTHER ACADEMIC PROGRAMS & SERVICES
» Before & After Care
» Community Resources
» Counseling Services
» English Learner Program
» Limitless Libraries Program
» Montessori
» Paideia
» Special Education
Families in Nashville have 167 public schools available to them—meaning there’s a school that’s right for your child. Metro Schools will help ensure your child has a great educational experience and that graduates are prepared for college, a career and life. Every year, the Optional Schools Application Process allows you to choose among open enrollment schools or for your child to attend his or her zoned school. A school tour is a great way to meet teachers and principals, observe classrooms and learn about academic programs. For more information and to find the school you would like to visit, go to www.schools.mnps.org.

WHAT IS A ZONED SCHOOL?
Every child in Nashville is zoned for a specific elementary, middle and high school and is guaranteed a seat at that zoned school. Some areas also have zoned options, which give families guaranteed access to more than one school. Proof of residency is required to attend a zoned school.

WHAT IS AN OPTIONAL SCHOOL?
Optional schools fall into two categories: schools without a zone designed to attract students from all over town, such as magnet and charter schools, and zoned neighborhood schools with available seats. Magnet schools often offer specialized programming and may have entrance requirements. Some charter schools also offer their own application process. If a zoned neighborhood school has available seats, any student in Nashville may apply to fill them.

FOR FURTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT SCHOOL CHOICE IN METRO SCHOOLS, VISIT WWW.MNPSSCHOOLCHOICE.ORG OR CALL THE FAMILY INFORMATION CENTER AT 615-259-INFO (4636).

IS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED TO OPTIONAL SCHOOLS?
Parents are responsible for transportation to optional schools unless otherwise indicated on the school choice application. All high school students can ride We Go (formerly MTA) buses free through the StriDe program. Middle school students attending school outside of their zone are also eligible to ride We Go buses free after parents complete a permission form at the school’s main office.

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS?
Many charter schools use the district’s Optional Schools Application to admit students, but some use their own applications. If the charter school your child would like to attend does not appear on the application, contact that school to learn more about its application process.

WHAT IS THE SCHOOL CHOICE FESTIVAL?
The district’s School Choice Festival provides an opportunity to visit with staff from all 167 schools and learn more about the unique programs, services and opportunities available for your child. You’ll learn how the School Choice application process works and how to choose a school that best meets your child’s needs.
ENROLLMENT CENTERS

Students may visit any of the enrollment centers listed below to enroll in an MNPS school. Enrollment Centers are open Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

ANTIOCH ENROLLMENT CENTER
1900 Hobson Pike
Antioch, TN 37013
Phone: 615-687-4011
Email: AntiochEnrollCenter@mnps.org

GLENCLIFF ENROLLMENT CENTER
160 Antioch Pike
Nashville, TN 37211
Phone: 615-333-5070
Email: GlencliffEnrollCenter@mnps.org

HILLWOOD ENROLLMENT CENTER
400 Davidson Road
Nashville, TN 37205
Phone: 615-353-6000
Email: HillwoodEnrollCenter@mnps.org

HUNTERS LANE ENROLLMENT CENTER
1150 Hunters Lane
Nashville, TN 37207
Phone: 615-860-1401
Email: HuntersLaneEnrollCenter@mnps.org

OVERTON ENROLLMENT CENTER
AT ROBERTSON ACADEMY
835 Robertson Academy Road
Nashville TN 37220
Phone: 615-333-5067
Email: OvertonEnrollCenter@mnps.org

MAPLEWOOD ENROLLMENT CENTER
401 Walton Lane
Nashville, TN 37216
Phone: 615-262-6770
Email: MaplewoodEnrollCenter@mnps.org

McGAVOCK ENROLLMENT CENTER
3150 McGavock Pike
Nashville, TN 37214
Phone: 615-885-8850
Email: McGavockEnrollCenter@mnps.org

PEARL-COHN ENROLLMENT CENTER
AT MCKISSACK MIDDLE SCHOOL
915 38th Avenue North
Nashville, TN 37209
Phone: 615-329-8170
Email: PearlCohnEnrollCenter@mnps.org

DOWNLOAD OUR MOBILE APP

MNPS has a free app available to download from both the Apple and Google Play stores. Search for Metropolitan Nashville PS. The app gives you customizable and quick information on the district and your school and allows you to:

- Receive text and voice mail notifications from the district and your school
- Follow your school on social media

MNPS FAMILY PORTAL

With Family Portal, families can see real-time class and assignment grades, homework, test scores, upcoming due dates, attendance information, discipline incidents and more.

The Family Portal also allows for better communication between teachers and families through emails and mobile alerts. Teachers are able to send messages to parents, and schools are able to post important news and announcements for families to see.

The new Campus Parent app allows for easier access for families to view all of their children under one username, as well as the ability to manage family and emergency contact information such as phone numbers, emergency contacts, contact order and relationships.

LEARN MORE AT
WWW.MNPS.ORG/ APPS-AND-TOOLS
AND WWW.MNPS.ORG/ FAMILYPORTAL
FOR INFORMATION, QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR FAMILY INFORMATION CENTER:

📞 615-259-INFO ‣ FamilyInfo@mnps.org

FAMILY INFORMATION CENTER SERVICE HOURS:

BY PHONE: Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.

IN PERSON: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.