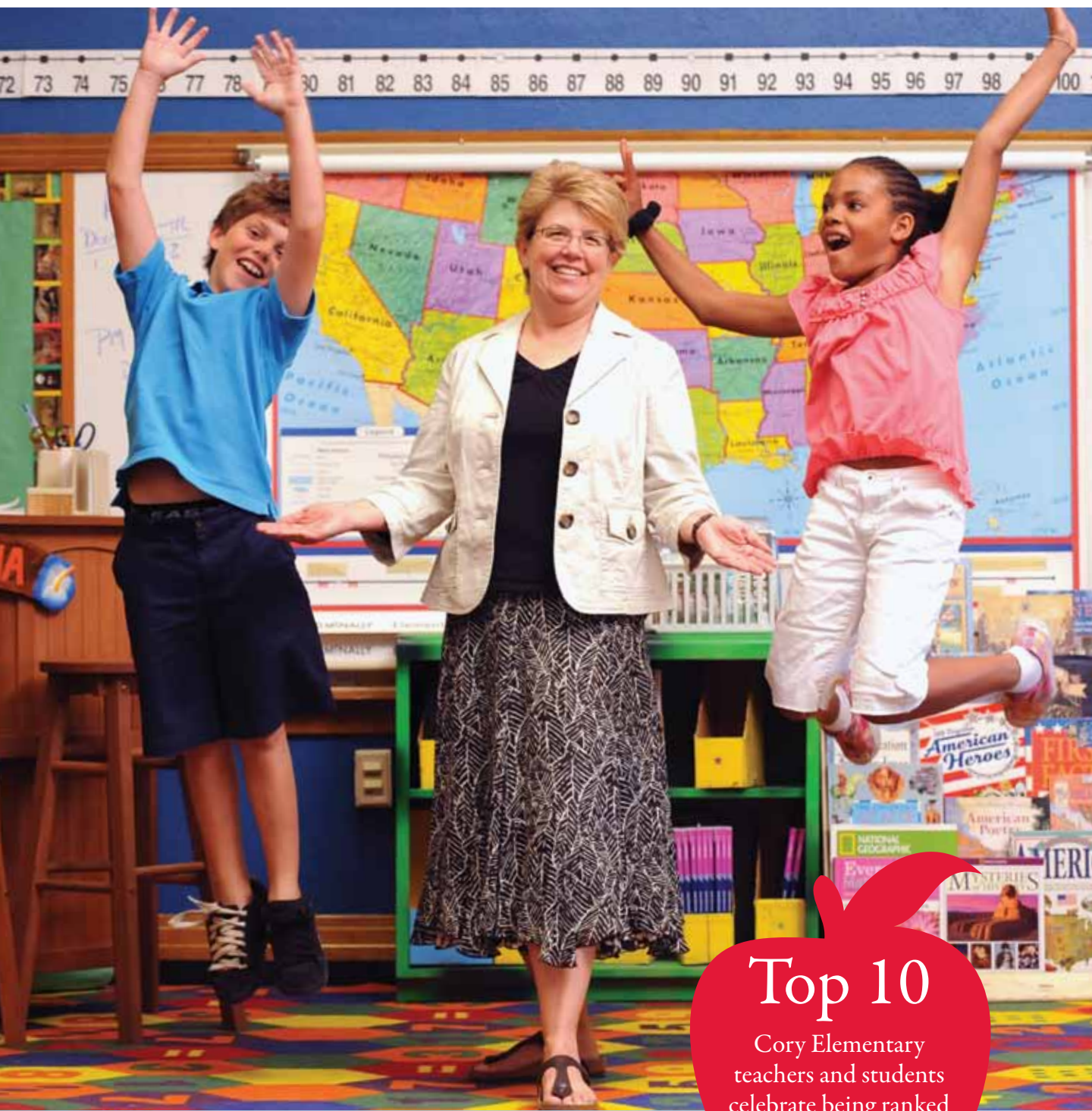


2011-2012
ENROLLMENT GUIDE



Top 10

Cory Elementary
teachers and students
celebrate being ranked
in the Top 10 for
CSAP growth.

DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A Message from Superintendent Tom Boasberg

Dear DPS Community:

Thank you for your interest in Denver Public Schools. We've seen strong signs of growth in schools all across the city, and we believe our schools offer tremendous education opportunities to the families of Denver.

In the 2009-2010 school year, we saw a record jump in our enrollment—an increase of nearly 3,000 students. That's the result of the strong and steady progress we've seen in schools across the city over the past five years under the Denver Plan and speaks to the expansion of high-quality education options available to serve our students.

Every child has different learning needs. Education is not one-size-fits-all. And this Enrollment Guide is designed to help you find the school that is best suited to your child's individual needs.

We also care deeply about offering an array of programs—academic enrichment, arts and sports—that are available beyond the normal school day. And despite the very tough economic times, we've been able to expand these programs, particularly at our high schools. That's a testament to our district's sound financial management, our steadfast commitment to the critical role that extra-curricular programs play in offering a well-rounded education and the incredible generosity of Denver's philanthropic community.

We expect excellence in all of our schools and in all of the programs we offer, and there's hard work happening every day toward that mission in schools all across Denver. We appreciate and value your interest and involvement in our schools, and we hope you find this year's Enrollment Guide helpful in finding the right school for your child.

Sincerely,

Tom Boasberg
Superintendent



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How To: Choose the Best School for Your Child

Your school options include an extensive array of traditional, special-focus and charter schools. But how do you know which school is a good fit with your child's talents and needs? Explore these helpful tools and strategies to consider your options. And remember – there isn't one measure alone that should dictate your choice. Consider a wide array of factors to make the best decision for your family.

1) School Performance Framework (SPF).

This rating system gives each school an overall grade that is based on six main criteria. These criteria include 1) the most recent year's test scores, 2) growth in test scores over time, 3) college preparation, 4) student involvement, 5) parent and community involvement and 6) enrollment demand.

Schools that achieve "Distinguished" or "Meets Expectations" are doing the best, while schools that score "Accredited on Watch," "Accredited on Priority Watch" or "Accredited on Probation" need additional work to improve overall student achievement.

2) Web-based Research.

Each school-comparison Web site includes unique features.

<http://www.dpsk12.org/schoollist/> – This site includes the full list of DPS traditional, special-focus and charter schools. Click on the school name to see the current principal, grades offered and a link to the school's Web site.

www.scooptoo.com – This site includes in-depth profiles of select DPS schools, created by two moms who personally visit each school they review. Rather than focusing on test scores, ScoopToo reviews describe other important factors like school leadership, school culture and quality of programs and facilities.

<http://www.piton.org/SchoolFacts> – This site includes data on state test results as well as enrollment, demographics, graduation, attendance and behavior.

www.greatschools.org – This site includes ratings by the site administrators that compare each school's test scores with those of the state of Colorado. It also includes reviews directly from parents.

3) School Visits.

Once you have researched the specifics of schools you may be interested in, contact the school directly to meet the principal, take a tour or have your child spend time with other students or in classrooms – what is often called "shadowing." Contact information for all schools can be found in this guide or at <http://www.dpsk12.org/schoollist/>.



Top 5

Students from Steck Elementary placed in the Top Five in CSAP growth and achieved a "Distinguished" ranking on the 2010 SPF.

How To: Enroll

To Enroll in Your Neighborhood School

Students are guaranteed a spot in their neighborhood school, with the exception of preschool and full-day kindergarten. If you are enrolling at your neighborhood school for the first time, bring ALL of the following items to register your child:

- ✓ Verification of your child's date of birth (birth certificate or other documentation)
- ✓ Immunization records
- ✓ Proof of your home address (something mailed to your home, such as a utility bill or copy of a lease)
- ✓ Name and address of your child's previous school (if you are transferring from another school district) so that academic records may be obtained



To Enroll in Preschool or Full-Day Kindergarten

Preschool and full-day kindergarten are offered as tuition-based programs according to space available at each school. While every student is guaranteed a half-day kindergarten spot at their neighborhood school, preschool and full-day kindergarten spots are not guaranteed at any school.

Applications are available for 3-year-olds, 4-year-olds and 5-year-olds. Select the application you should fill out based on your child's age on October 1, 2011 for the 2011-2012 school year.

Application Timeline: First Round Preschool & Full-Day Kindergarten
2011-2012 School Year: January 3 – January 31, 2011

First Round applications are available at all DPS elementary schools and online. You may choose two schools on a First Round application, and return forms to any DPS school for central processing. Application deadlines are firm. Please note, the DPS central office does not accept applications. A lottery will be conducted if there are more applicants than space available in a school. Families will receive acceptance letters or waiting list notification following the close of First Round.

Application Timeline: Second Round Preschool & Full-Day Kindergarten
2011-2012 School Year: March 1 – August 31, 2011

If you do not secure a spot in First Round, your student will be automatically placed on a wait list. You also have the opportunity to apply to additional school(s) during the Second Round period. You must return Second Round applications to the school(s) in which you are interested in attending. Students are accepted during Second Round on a first-come, first-served basis after First Round applicants have been placed. Decisions are made prior to the start of the school year. Waiting lists are maintained for schools with more applicants than space available.

Special Note on Applying to Preschool

If your child attends preschool somewhere other than your neighborhood school, and you want to continue attending there for kindergarten, you must re-apply through the School of Choice process. Currently attending students do receive a priority in the School of Choice process.

To learn more, visit <http://earlyeducation.dpsk12.org>.

How To: Apply

To Apply to Attend a Traditional School That is Not Your Neighborhood School

Use the School of Choice process, within one of the following timeframes.

First Round School of Choice
2011-2012 School Year:
January 3 – January 31, 2011

If you are interested in a traditional school other than your neighborhood school, First Round School of Choice allows you to apply to attend. First Round choice applications are available at all DPS schools as well as online for parents to print. Forms may be returned to any DPS school for central processing, and application deadlines are firm. Up to two schools may be indicated on a First Round choice application. Please note, the DPS central office does not accept applications. A lottery will be conducted if there are more applicants than space available in a school. Families will receive acceptance letters or waiting list notification following the close of First Round choice.

Second Round School of Choice
2011-2012 School Year: March 1 – August 31, 2011

Due to limited capacity in some schools, your student may not secure a spot in the school(s) to which you applied during First Round choice. Your child will be automatically placed on a wait list, but you also have the

opportunity to complete an application to any additional school(s) during the Second Round choice period. You must return Second Round applications to the school(s) in which you are interested in attending. Students are accepted during this Second Round of the choice process on a first-come, first-served basis after First Round applicants have been placed.

Decisions are made prior to the start of the school year. Waiting lists are maintained for schools with more applicants than space available.

To learn more, contact the Office of Choice and Enrollment Services at <http://soco.dpsk12.org> or (720) 423-3493.

To Apply Through the No Child Left Behind Program (NCLB)

Through the Federal NCLB program, children who attend schools that do not meet “Adequate Yearly Progress” are eligible to attend a designated higher-performing school in their area. Transportation to that designated school is provided according to district guidelines. Eligible families will receive notification in December, 2010 or January, 2011 and must return application forms in order to participate.

For questions about your school’s NCLB status, please contact the NCLB office at (720) 423-3493.

To Apply to a Magnet School

Any student may apply to attend a DPS Magnet School. Transportation may be provided according to district guidelines. Each magnet school manages its own application process. Ask for an application from the magnet school that interests you. Visit page 17 to see a helpful list of magnet programs.

Some schools’ application deadlines may vary. Contact the magnet school that interests you to confirm application timelines.

To Apply to a Charter School

Each charter school manages its own applications. Contact your school of interest for an application and transportation information.

For the 2011-2012 School Year, DPS Welcomes Six New Schools to the District:

Denver Center for International Studies – Far North East Campus

Grades K-12; opening grade configuration to be determined. Location to be determined.

K-5: (720) 775-7901, 6-12: (720) 775-7900, En Español: (720) 775-7901 www.dcisfne.org

In partnership with the Far Northeast Community, the Denver Center for International Studies – Far North East Campus (DCIS-FNE), is committed to preparing ALL students for college, career and life by developing multilingual, inter-culturally competent graduates who are prepared to lead in our increasingly complex world.

As a world-class school affiliated with the International Studies Schools Network (ISSN) and in partnership with Asia Society (www.asiasociety.org/issn), a nationally-recognized organization focused on international and intercultural affairs, DCIS-FNE will prepare students in the fields of world languages, the study of cultures and cross-cultural communication, international issues and conflict resolution and the connection between community issues and larger global challenges.

Multiple Pathways Centers – Vista Academy & Multiple Pathways Center III

Admission is by application.

Multiple Pathways Centers offer a different approach to non-traditional education, with faster pathways toward high school graduation and extensive preparation for college or career success. Multiple Pathways Scholars choose from one of two high-school completion options: Diploma Plus or GED Plus.

In addition, all Diploma and GED candidates can select from a variety of Advanced Placement, Career & Technical Education and Credit Recovery electives.

*Vista Academy
4800 Telluride St.
Denver, CO 80249
(720) 423-7600*

*Multiple Pathways Center III
(name to be determined)
1690 Williams St.
Denver, CO 80218*



SOAR II

Grades K-5; offering grades K-2 in the 2011-2012 school year. Location to be determined.

*(303) 486-8573
www.soardenver.org*

SOAR offers a holistic approach to education that develops the mind and character of the whole child. SOAR will provide children with the correct balance of support, accountability, academic rigor and enrichment opportunities they need in order to achieve fulfilling and successful lives.

Stapleton ECE-8 (name to be determined)

Grades ECE-8; opening grade configuration to be determined. 3480 Syracuse, Denver, CO 80207.

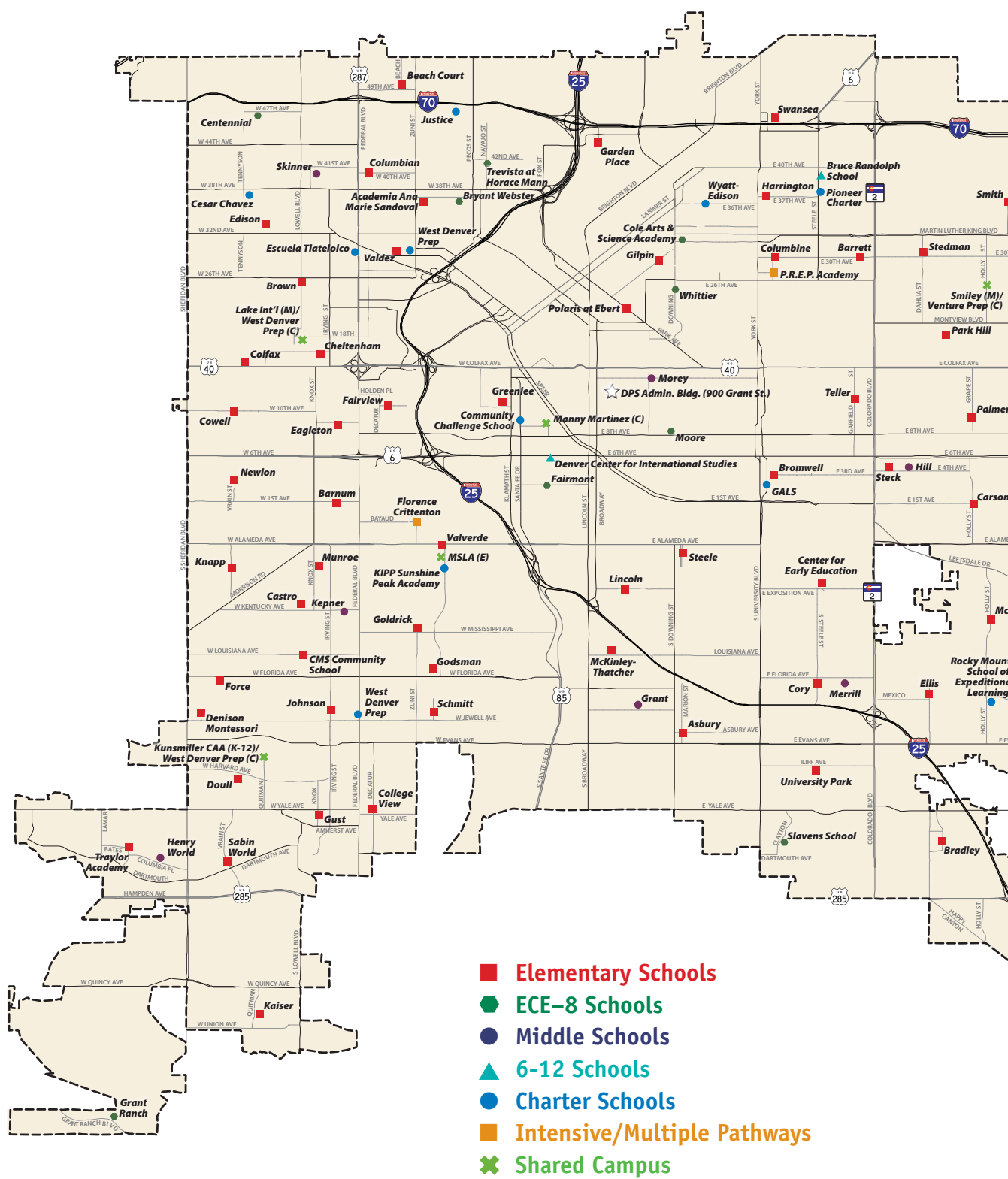
Led by veteran principal Charles Raisch, the new Stapleton ECE-8 school will serve approximately 900 students at full build-out. Principal Raisch welcomes parent and community involvement throughout this year as the school is in the start-up phase – contact him at charles_raisch@dpsk12.org to get involved.

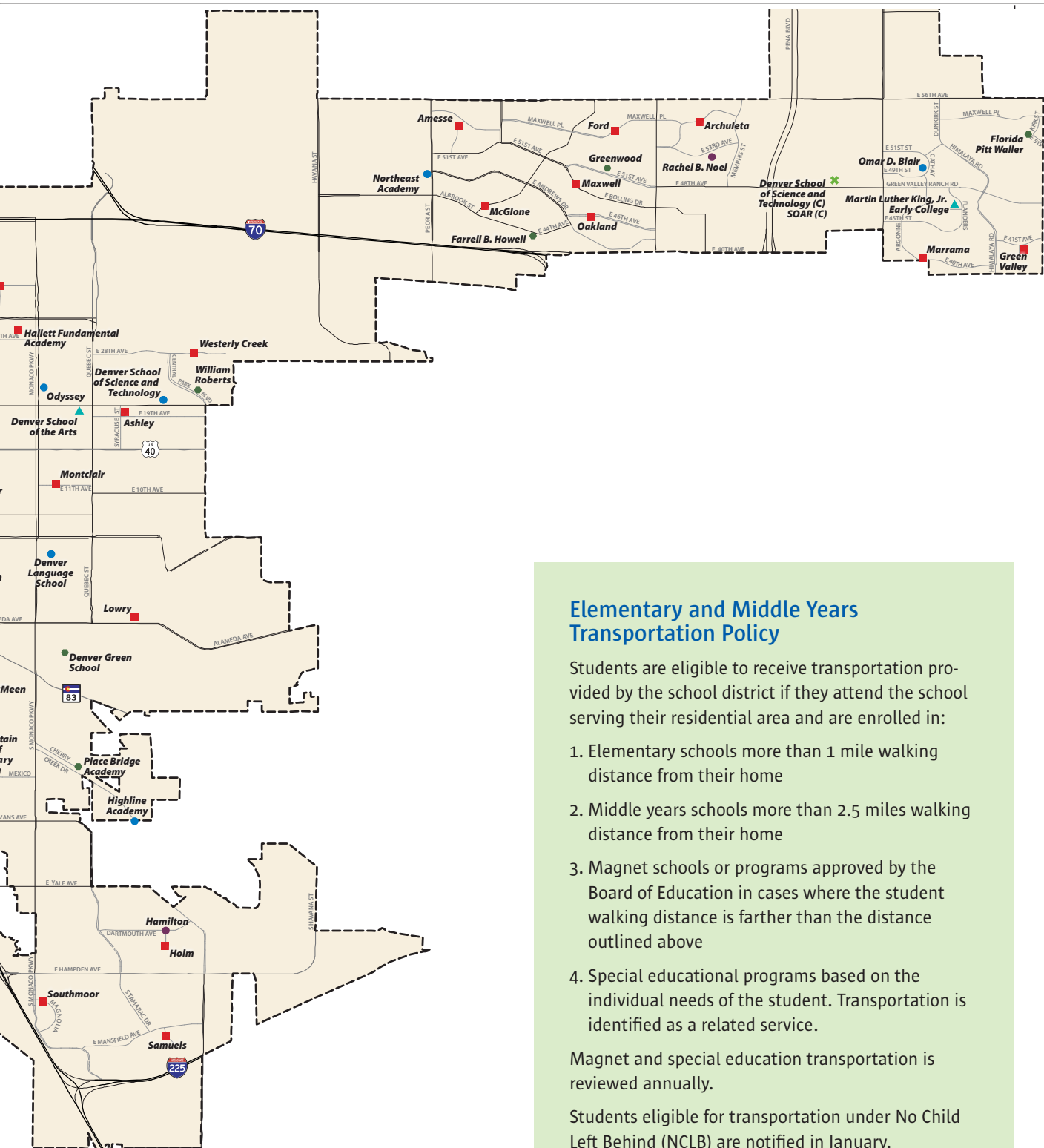
University Preparatory Academy

Grades K-5; offering grades K-1 in the 2011-2012 school year. Location to be determined.

*(303) 709-5454
www.uprepschool.org*

Building a foundation of skills, knowledge and character, University Preparatory Academy will educate every K-5 student for college. All students, regardless of zip code, race or socioeconomic status deserve an exceptional education.





Elementary and Middle Years Transportation Policy

Students are eligible to receive transportation provided by the school district if they attend the school serving their residential area and are enrolled in:

1. Elementary schools more than 1 mile walking distance from their home
2. Middle years schools more than 2.5 miles walking distance from their home
3. Magnet schools or programs approved by the Board of Education in cases where the student walking distance is farther than the distance outlined above
4. Special educational programs based on the individual needs of the student. Transportation is identified as a related service.

Magnet and special education transportation is reviewed annually.

Students eligible for transportation under No Child Left Behind (NCLB) are notified in January.

Elementary and middle years students may also receive transportation if they reside less than the required distance from their neighborhood school and the route to the school is defined as a hazardous walking area.

Students in charter schools do not generally receive transportation. Contact your school for details.

Preschool and Kindergarten

(720) 424-2639

Preschool

Preschool – also described as Early Childhood Education, or ECE – is the first step toward a successful academic career and the Denver Public Schools Early Education program provides developmentally appropriate half-



and full-day preschool programs at more than 80 schools. Classes are offered in a safe and nurturing environment that promotes the physical, social, emotional and cognitive development of our youngest learners while responding to the needs of families. Adult-to-student ratios are between 1:8 and 1:10, depending on specific classrooms.

Activities are designed to develop children's self-esteem, create positive feelings toward learning and prepare children for success in later grades. The curriculum is designed to build early literacy and math skills and is responsive to the needs of each child.

Enrollment:

Preschool applications are available at all DPS schools or at <http://earlyeducation.dpsk12.org> beginning in January, 2011.

2011-2012 Program Offerings: DPS will be offering half- and full-day preschool throughout the district, including Montessori programs at many schools. Please visit <http://earlyeducation.dpsk12.org> or your neighborhood school for more information.

Commitment to Quality:

Teachers have Early Childhood Education credentials or endorsements and teaching certificates, and bring years of early education experience to the classroom. Preschool classrooms are rated by Qualistar, an independent third-party assessment agency. Most schools rated have received three of four stars – a very strong rating – and several have received four-star ratings.

Cost:

Preschool in Denver Public Schools is tuition-based, and full and partial scholarships are available. Denver Public Schools is a delegate of the Denver Great Kids Head Start Program and participates in the Denver Preschool Program. To learn which schools have Head Start, call the Early Education Office.

Age Requirements:

For most programs, students must be 4 years old on or before October 1 of the year of enrollment. For programs that accept 3-year-olds, students must be 3 years old on or before October 1 of the year of enrollment.

Most DPS
preschool programs
earn a 3- or 4-star
Qualistar rating.

<http://earlyeducation.dpsk12.org>

Kindergarten

Kindergarten prepares students for academic success. DPS offers kindergarten to any child in Denver, with a half-day of kindergarten provided to parents free of charge at neighborhood DPS schools. Every DPS elementary school or ECE-8 also offers at least one full-day kindergarten class.

Enrollment:

Kindergarten applications are available at all elementary schools or at <http://early.education.dpsk12.org> beginning in January, 2011.

Advanced Kindergarten:

Select schools offer a full-day Advanced Kindergarten curriculum that enriches, expands and accelerates state and district kindergarten standards according to student academic readiness and assessed curriculum mastery.

Full and partial scholarships are available for tuition and screening and application fees. Transportation is not provided.

Applications for Advanced Kindergarten are handled by the Gifted & Talented department. To find school locations and apply, visit <http://gt.dpsk12.org> or call (720) 423-8271.



Commitment to Quality:

DPS kindergarten teachers bring years of experience to the classroom and are supported by a strong, district-wide professional development curriculum. DPS is proud to have the best teaching staff in Denver.

Cost:

The first half of the kindergarten day is tuition-free, and tuition for the second half is based on household income and family size. Full and partial scholarships are available.

Age Requirements:

Children must be 5 years old on or before October 1 of the year of enrollment.

Locations:

Every elementary school in DPS offers kindergarten.

Program Offerings:

DPS offers full- and half-day programs across Denver. Some schools offer Montessori and Advanced Kindergarten programs. Please call your neighborhood school for more information.



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Meeting the Needs of All Students

Gifted and Talented Services

(720) 423-8272

Gifted and Talented (GT) services are available to all eligible students. District-wide GT screenings take place every spring. Every elementary and middle school has a GT representative and a plan for in-school GT services including Advanced Learning Plans (ALP). For more information, contact your school's GT representative.

Highly Gifted and Talented Magnet Programs

Admission is by application and district testing is required. The application deadline is October 22, 2010.

Archuleta Elementary

Carson Elementary

Cory Elementary

Edison Elementary

Gust Elementary

Morey Middle School

Polaris at Ebert Elementary

Southmoor Elementary

Teller Elementary

Highly Gifted and Talented (HGT) programs are for first- through eighth-grade students with extraordinary academic needs, abilities or potential. The full-day program clusters students of similar ability and provides:

- ★ Challenging curriculum
- ★ Advanced learning plans
- ★ A focus on higher-level thinking skills
- ★ Instruction at a faster pace
- ★ A focus on individual interests, strength areas and social/emotional development

Transportation is provided according to district policies from specific feeder schools to elementary program sites and citywide to Morey Middle School.

To learn more, visit <http://gt.dpsk12.org>.

English Language Acquisition (ELA)

(720) 423-8155

Denver Public Schools provides several options for students who need extra support to learn English.

Option 1: For Spanish-speaking students who want to learn English. Students learn English with the support of a teacher who has special training to work with Spanish-speakers. These teachers speak Spanish and communicate with Spanish-speaking parents.

Option 2: For students who speak many different languages, including Spanish, who want to learn English. These teachers have special training to work with English-language learners.

Option 3: No ELA services. Without ELA services, learning English will be more difficult because the teachers are NOT specially trained to help your student learn English.

Not sure which program is best for your child? Visit your school's main office, or call our hotline: (720) 423-8155.



Top 10

Students at Lincoln Elementary achieved a "Distinguished" ranking on the 2010 SPF and were ranked in the Top Ten in CSAP growth.

Special Education Services

(720) 423-3437

At Denver Public Schools, special education services are provided according to students' individual needs as identified on their Individualized Education Program (IEP) plans. The majority of children with identified disabilities attend their neighborhood schools. Each building has assigned special education teachers and related services staff (speech/language specialist, psychologist, social worker, nurse and physical/occupational therapist). The continuum of services available at each school includes:

Consult: Special educators and general educators meet to discuss the special learning needs of the student and develop a plan for meeting those needs within the general classroom setting.

Direct: In this service-delivery model the special educator provides instruction in the student's general education classroom or special education classroom. The teachers work cooperatively to meet the student's needs in a variety of contexts within the school building.

Resource: A student may receive instruction from a special education professional, typically in a smaller group setting outside of the regular classroom, for a portion of the school day.

Center-based programs are offered in many schools. The different types of center-based programs offer specialized instruction and services for small groups of students with intensive needs in classes outside of the general curriculum. Students in center-based programs are included in general education classrooms to the extent appropriate for the individual student.

Newcomer Centers

Newcomer Centers are part of the English Language Acquisition (ELA) program. They are designed for eligible students who are new to Denver Public Schools. The Newcomer Centers located at Place Bridge Academy, Merrill Middle School and South High School serve English language learners identified as having limited or interrupted education, as well as minimal literacy skills in both their native language and English. Students in the Newcomer Centers are served for one or two semesters to prepare them for participation in an English as a Second Language (ELA-E) program. Transportation is provided according to district guidelines.

For more information contact:

Place Bridge Academy Newcomer Center (ECE-8):
(720) 424-0960

Merrill Middle School Newcomer Center (6-8):
(720) 424-0600

South High School Newcomer Center (9-12):
(720) 423-6000

Sixth Grade Academy

Denver Public Schools offers Sixth Grade Academy programs to ensure a successful transition from elementary to middle school. In this summer program, typically offered in August, students benefit from a combination of learning, leadership development and team-building activities. Students build a strong connection to their new school community and gain the confidence to successfully navigate what may otherwise be their most challenging academic years.

Contact your middle school of choice for more information about this program.



West Denver Prep-Harvey Park students earned the highest 2010 SPF score at 98%.

Outstanding Programs & Services

American Indian Focus Schools

(720) 423-8172

Transportation may be provided according to district guidelines. Contact your school of interest for information.

Brown International Academy (ECE-5)

CEC Middle College of Denver (9-12)

Cole Arts & Science Academy (C.A.S.A.) (ECE-8)

College View Elementary (ECE-5)

East High School (9-12)

John F. Kennedy High School (9-12)

Merrill Middle School (6-8)

The American Indian Focus Schools program is a partnership between Denver Public Schools and the American Indian community for the purpose of improving the education of all children. The program centralizes the enrollment of American Indian students in seven schools. Students benefit from the concentration of support and services at the Focus Schools as well as increased parent engagement.



Dual-Language Programs

Academia Ana Marie Sandoval (3 Yrs.-6)

Bryant Webster (ECE-8)

CMS Community School (ECE-5)

Denver Language School (ECE-8)

Fairmont Dual Language Immersion Academy (ECE-8)

Valdez Elementary School (ECE-5)

Denver Public Schools Dual-Language programs offer students the unique opportunity to become bilingual and biliterate. Students receive classroom instruction together in both languages. Positive cross-cultural attitudes are developed as students learn together, about each other and in each other's language.

Features of the Dual-Language Program:

- ★ Appreciation of cultural diversity
- ★ Culturally relevant teaching
- ★ Development of self-esteem
- ★ Cooperative group learning structure
- ★ Parental involvement
- ★ School/community support

Schools are in various stages of phasing in this program. Please contact the school to learn which grades this program currently serves.

See pages 18-21 for school contact information

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Arts Focus Schools

Cole Arts & Science Academy (C.A.S.A.) ECE-8

Students are required to wear uniforms.

Cole Arts and Science Academy (C.A.S.A.) opened in the fall of 2008. The academic program is unique in multiple ways: grades one and above have two specialized teachers, a math/science teacher and a literacy/social studies teacher; hands-on science is taught every day and students participate in arts and science infusions on Friday. C.A.S.A. boasts a grade level wing for each grade; two state-of-the-art technology labs; two full-size gymnasiums; a dance studio; two science labs; two art rooms; a grand auditorium; a parent/community resource room; expansive outdoor learning areas and an incredible library.



Denver School of the Arts (6-12)

Admission is by application and audition.

The Denver School of the Arts is the only comprehensive secondary arts magnet school in the Rocky Mountain region. As a non-tuition public school magnet program, transportation is provided to students within DPS boundaries. Students are admitted to DSA through an audition process in one art major of their choice: band, creative writing, dance, orchestra, piano, stagecraft & design, theatre, video cinema arts, visual art or vocal music.



Kunsmiller Creative Arts Academy (K-12)

Admission is by application and interview.

Kunsmiller Creative Arts Academy (KCAA) is designed to prepare students for creative and artistic careers, while providing a rigorous academic education. The program will integrate the arts into the daily academic core curriculum and academics into the daily art curriculum. All students will explore drama, visual arts, tech arts, music (instrumental and vocal) and dance. Students will be taught with engaging thematic units that inspire investigation, project/performance creation, 21st century skills mastery and growing arts expertise. Students entering at middle school will be able to select from strands of arts studies for which they are passionate and that will lead to career path studies during high school years. KCAA will focus on each child developing the courage needed to imagine and achieve.



Outstanding Programs & Services

Fundamental Academies

Hallett Fundamental Academy (formerly Knight, K-5)
Traylor Academy (ECE-5)

Admission is by application.

The Fundamental Academies offer a “back-to-basics” approach to learning. The curriculum includes math, reading, writing, spelling, composition, grammar, science, discipline and citizenship. The curriculum is enriched with music, art, technology, library/research and physical education.



International Baccalaureate (IB)

The comprehensive IB program serves motivated students who are seeking an academic challenge. Students follow an international curriculum through which they pursue extensive research and writing and participate in community service. The IB program emphasizes the importance of the learning process.

Primary Years Program (ECE-5)

Bradley International School
Brown International Academy
Sabin World School

Middle Years Program (6-10)

George Washington High School*
Henry World School
John F. Kennedy High School*
Lake International School
Smiley Middle School

**Also offers Diploma Program (11&12) see page 35-36.*

International Focus Schools

Denver Center for International Studies (6-12, K-12)

Admission is by application.

The Denver Center for International Studies (DCIS) is a world-class school focused on international and intercultural affairs. DCIS prepares students in world languages, the study of cultures and cross-cultural communication, international issues and conflict resolution, as well as the connection between community issues and larger global challenges.

Hamilton Middle School International Preparatory Program (6-8)

Admission is by application.

The International Preparatory Program at Hamilton Middle School is designed to challenge the intellect and abilities of its students within a comprehensive and rigorous academic program and a participatory educational environment.

Steele Elementary British Primary Program (ECE-5)

The curriculum presented in multi-age classroom environments emphasizes respect for children’s backgrounds and ideas as well as the different ways they learn. Each classroom is staffed by a licensed teacher and an Alternative Certification Intern trained under an exemplary teacher training program housed at Stanley British Primary School.

Montessori Programs

Academia Ana Marie Sandoval (3 Yrs.-6)

Denison Montessori (3 Yrs.-6)

Gilpin Montessori (ECE-5)

Hamilton Middle School (6-8)

Lincoln Elementary School (3 Yrs.-5)

Valdez Elementary School (ECE-5)

Montessori is a method of observing and supporting the natural development of children. Denver Public Schools' Montessori programs focus on helping children develop creative, problem-solving, social and time-management skills to contribute to society and the environment. The Montessori classroom is disciplined and self-directed. Children are provided with hands-on materials that enable them to learn math, language, science and history while at the same time developing intellectual curiosity, self-respect and respect for the world around them. Instructors give small group or one-on-one lessons and then monitor the children's progress as they complete projects on their own, at their own pace. Montessori graduates are self-directed, motivated learners who stand out for the continuing excitement they find in learning.

Schools are in various stages of phasing in this program. Please contact the school to learn which grades this program currently serves.



Science Focus Schools

Cole Arts & Science Academy (C.A.S.A.) ECE-8

See page 13 for more information on C.A.S.A.

Denver School of Science and Technology (DSST) (6-12)

Students must complete an admission application and comply with admission deadlines. Admission will be granted through a lottery process.

DSST's middle and high school programs have a college preparatory focus, with an emphasis on developing core liberal arts skills in reading, writing, mathematics and science.

Math and Science Leadership Academy (M.S.L.A.) (K-5)

Offering grades K-4 for the 2011-2012 school year.

The Mathematics and Science Leadership Academy (M.S.L.A.) is a school where everyone is a learner, teacher and leader. Students will meet high expectations for academics and behavior. At MSLA students learn all subject areas, but have a focus on mathematics, science and technology as they prepare to become the leaders of tomorrow.

Expeditionary Learning

Odyssey Charter School (K-8)

Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning (K-12)

Admission is by application.

Expeditionary Learning combines rigorous academic content and real world projects – learning expeditions – with active teaching and community service. Literacy is central and reading and writing are integrated throughout the curriculum. Character development and teamwork are not just emphasized, but embedded in school structures, practices and rituals and are integrated into the academic program.



See pages 18-21 for school contact information

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Beacon Schools

Beacon Schools

Denver Public Schools and the Denver Classroom Teachers Association jointly encourage teachers and principals to collaborate in the development and implementation of Beacon Schools. In Beacon Schools, teachers and principals will work closely together to establish coherent and consistent instructional practices that lead to high academic performance for all students. Beacon Schools are committed to promoting school innovation and reform. The following are DPS Beacon Schools:

- Brown International Academy (ECE-5)**
- Bruce Randolph School (6-12)**
- CMS Community School (ECE-5)**
- Columbine Elementary School (ECE-6)**
- Cory Elementary School (ECE-5)**
- Fairmont Dual Language Immersion Academy (ECE-8)**
- Grant Beacon Middle School (6-8)**
- Greenwood (ECE-8)**
- Harrington Elementary School (ECE-6)**
- Merrill Middle School (6-8)**
- Montclair School of Academics & Enrichment (ECE-5)**



See pages 18-21 for school contact information

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Magnet Schools

Magnet Schools

<http://soco.dpsk12.org/magnet>

Magnet schools offer a variety of special-focus programs including dual-language, Montessori, fundamental academies and arts. Magnet schools establish their own application and enrollment policies and procedures. Transportation may be provided according to district guidelines; check with your school of interest for details.

School	Magnet Program(s)	Magnet Grades	Transportation Provided
Academia Ana Maria Sandoval (3 yrs. - 6th Grade)	Dual-Language, Montessori	3 yrs. - 6th Grade	Yes
Archuleta Elementary School (ECE-5)	HGT	ECE-5	Yes
Bruce Randolph School (6-12)	High School	12-Sep	No
Bryant-Webster Dual Language (ECE-8)	Dual-Language	ECE-8	No
Carson Elementary School (ECE-5)	HGT	ECE-5	Yes
Cory Elementary School (ECE-5)	HGT	ECE-5	Yes
Denison Montessori School (3 yrs. - 6th Grade)	Montessori	3yrs. - 6th Grade	Yes
Denver Center for International Studies (6-12 and K-12)	International Focus	K-12	Yes
Denver School of the Arts (6-12)	Arts Focus	6 to 12	Yes
Dora Moore (K-8)	Middle School	6 to 8	No
Edison Elementary School (ECE-5)	HGT	ECE-5	Yes
Fairmont Dual Immersion Academy (ECE-8)	Dual-Language	ECE-7	No
Florida Pitt-Waller (ECE-8)	Middle School	6 to 8	No
George Washington High School (9-12)	International Baccalaureate	9 to 12	Yes
Greenwood K-8 School	Middle School	6 to 8	No
Gust Elementary School (ECE-5)	HGT	ECE-5	Yes
Hamilton Middle School (6-8)	International Focus	6 to 8	Yes
Hallett Fundamental Academy (K-5)	Fundamental Academy	K-5	Yes
Kunsmiller Creative Arts Academy (K-12)	Arts Focus	K-12	Partial
Lincoln Elementary School (ECE-5)	Montessori	ECE-5	No
Martin Luther King, Jr. Early College (6-12)	High School	9 to 12	No
Morey Middle School (6-8)	HGT	6 to 8	Yes
Polaris at Ebert at Elementary School (ECE-5)	HGT	ECE-5	Yes
Slavens School (ECE-8)	Middle School	6 to 8	No
Southmoor Elementary School (ECE-5)	HGT	ECE-5	Yes
Thomas Jefferson High School (9-12)	Computers	9 to 12	Yes
Valdez Elementary School (ECE-5)	Dual-Language, Montessori	ECE to 4	No

Elementary Schools

Offering ECE-5 unless otherwise noted.

Academia Ana Marie Sandoval (3 Yrs.-6) DL M 3655 Wyandot St. Denver, CO 80211 (720) 424-4370	Brown International Academy IB B 2550 Lowell Blvd. Denver, CO 80211 (720) 424-9250	Cory HGT B 1550 S. Steele St. Denver, CO 80210 (720) 424-8380	Gilpin M 2949 California St. Denver, CO 80205 (720) 424-7140
Amesse 5440 Scranton St. Denver, CO 80239 (720) 424-9988	Carson HGT 5420 E. 1st Ave. Denver, CO 80220 (720) 424-9090	Cowell 4540 W. 10th Ave. Denver, CO 80204 (720) 424-8300	Godsman 2120 W. Arkansas Ave. Denver, CO 80223 (720) 424-7060
Archuleta AK HGT 16000 E. Maxwell Place Denver, CO 80239 (720) 424-9888	Castro 845 S. Lowell Blvd. Denver, CO 80219 (720) 424-8990	Denison Montessori (3 Yrs.-6) M 1821 S. Yates St. Denver, CO 80219 (720) 424-8080	Goldrick 1050 S. Zuni St. Denver, CO 80223 (720) 424-6980
Asbury 1320 E. Asbury Ave. Denver, CO 80210 (720) 724-9750	Center for Early Education <i>Serving Asbury, Bradley, Cory, Slavens & Steele</i> 3245 E. Exposition Ave. Denver, CO 80209 (720) 424-6503	Doull 2520 S. Utica St. Denver, CO 80219 (720) 424-8000	Green Valley 4100 Jericho St. Denver, CO 80249 (720) 424-6710
Ashley 1914 Syracuse St. Denver, CO 80220 (720) 424-9748	Cheltenham 1580 Julian St. Denver, CO 80204 (720) 424-8810	Eagleton 880 Hooker St. Denver, CO 80204 (720) 424-7930	Greenlee 1150 Lipan St. Denver, CO 80204 (720) 424-6800
Barnum 85 Hooker St. Denver, CO 80219 (720) 424-9590	CMS Community School B DL 1300 S. Lowell Blvd. Denver, CO 80219 (720) 424-4300	Edison AK HGT 3350 Quitman St. Denver, CO 80212 (720) 424-7780	Gust AK HGT 3440 W. Yale Ave. Denver, CO 80219 (720) 424-6560
Barrett 2900 Richard Allen Court Denver, CO 80205 (720) 424-9530	Colfax 1526 Tennyson St. Denver, CO 80204 (720) 424-8740	Ellis 1651 S. Dahlia St. Denver, CO 80222 (720) 424-7700	Hallett Fundamental Academy 2950 Jasmine St. Denver, CO 80207 (720) 424-6070
Beach Court 4950 Beach Court Denver, CO 80221 (720) 424-9470	College View 2675 S. Decatur St. Denver, CO 80219 (720) 424-8660	Fairview 2715 W. 11th Ave. Denver, CO 80204 (720) 424-7540	Harrington (ECE-6) B 2401 E. 37th Ave. Denver, CO 80205 (720) 424-6420
Bradley International School AK IB 3051 S. Elm St. Denver, CO 80222 (720) 424-9468	Columbian 2925 W. 40th Ave. Denver, CO 80211 (720) 424-8580	Force 1550 S. Wolff St. Denver, CO 80219 (720) 424-7400	Holm 3185 S. Willow St. Denver, CO 80231 (720) 424-6350
Bromwell (K-5) 2500 E. 4th Ave. Denver, CO 80206 (720) 424-9330	Columbine (ECE-6) B 2540 E. 29th Ave. Denver, CO 80205 (720) 424-8510	Ford 14500 Maxwell Place Denver, CO 80239 (720) 424-7300	Johnson 1850 S. Irving St. Denver, CO 80219 (720) 424-6290
		Garden Place 4425 Lincoln St. Denver, CO 80216 (720) 424-7220	Kaiser 4500 S. Quitman St. Denver, CO 80236 (720) 424-6210

Program Key

Advanced Kindergarten

AK

Arts Focus

AF

Beacon

B

British Primary

BP

Dual Language

DL

Highly Gifted & Talented

HGT

International Baccalaureate

IB

International Focus

IF

Montessori

M

Newcomer Center

NC

Science Focus

SF

Knapp

500 S. Utica St.
Denver, CO 80219
(720) 424-6130

Lincoln

M
710 S. Pennsylvania St.
Denver, CO 80209
(720) 424-5990

Lowry

8001 E. Cedar Ave.
Denver, CO 80230
(720) 424-5910

Marrama

19100 E. 40th Ave.
Denver, CO 80249
(720) 424-5820

Math and Science
Leadership Academy (K-4)

451 S. Tejon St.
Denver, CO 80223
(720) 424-1310

Maxwell

14390 E. Bolling Drive
Denver, CO 80239
(720) 424-5740

McGlone

4500 Crown Blvd.
Denver, CO 80239
(720) 424-5660

McKinley-Thatcher

1230 S. Grant St.
Denver, CO 80210
(720) 424-5600

McMeen

1000 S. Holly St.
Denver, CO 80246
(720) 424-5520

Montclair School of
Academics & Enrichment

B
1151 Newport St.
Denver, CO 80220
(720) 424-5380

Munroe

3440 W. Virginia Ave.
Denver, CO 80219
(720) 424-5230

Newlon

361 Vrain St.
Denver, CO 80219
(720) 424-5150

Oakland

4580 Dearborn St.
Denver, CO 80239
(720) 424-5070

Palmer

AK
995 Grape St.
Denver, CO 80220
(720) 424-5000

Park Hill

5050 E. 19th Ave.
Denver, CO 80220
(720) 424-4910

Polaris at Ebert

AK HGT
410 Park Ave. West
Denver, CO 80205
(720) 424-7860

Sabin World School
IB

3050 S. Vrain St.
Denver, CO 80236
(720) 424-4520

Samuels

3985 S. Vincennes Court
Denver, CO 80237
(720) 424-4450

Schmitt

1820 S. Vallejo St.
Denver, CO 80223
(720) 424-4230

Smith Renaissance
School of the Arts

3590 Jasmine St.
Denver, CO 80207
(720) 424-4000

Southmoor
HGT

3755 S. Magnolia Way
Denver, CO 80237
(720) 424-3930

Steck

425 Ash St.
Denver, CO 80220
(720) 424-3870

Stedman
AK

2940 Dexter St.
Denver, CO 80207
(720) 424-3800

Steele
BP

320 S. Marion St.
Denver, CO 80209
(720) 424-3720

Swansea (ECE-6)

4650 Columbine St.
Denver, CO 80216
(720) 424-3630

Teller
HGT

1150 Garfield St.
Denver, CO 80206
(720) 424-3560

Traylor Academy

2900 S. Ivan Way
Denver, CO 80227
(720) 424-3480

University Park

2300 S. St. Paul St.
Denver, CO 80210
(720) 424-3410

Valdez
DL

2525 W. 29th Ave.
Denver, CO 80211
(720) 424-3310

Valverde

2030 W. Alameda Ave.
Denver, CO 80223
(720) 424-3250

Westerly Creek (ECE-4)

8800 E. 28th Ave.
Denver, CO 80238
(720) 424-3160

Before- and After-School Activities

Kaleidoscope Corner For nearly 20 years, Kaleidoscope Corner (KC) has provided licensed, school-age child care before and after school hours, creating safe havens for young children of working parents. KC staff strive to

create an enriching and nurturing atmosphere that gives each child space and time to pursue their own interests – whether it is physical activity, creative play, puzzles, games or reading. Specific sites serve students as young as age three, and all serve up to age 12. To register, call (720) 424-8291.

Middle Years Schools

ECE-8 Schools

Bryant-Webster Dual Language DL

3635 Quivas St.
Denver, CO 80211
(720) 424-9170

Centennial*

4665 Raleigh St.
Denver, CO 80212
(720) 424-8900

Cole Arts & Science Academy (C.A.S.A.) AF SF

3240 Humboldt St
Denver, CO 80205
(720) 423-9120

Denver Green School

6700 E. Virginia Ave.
Denver, CO 80224
(720) 424-7480

Fairmont Dual Immersion Academy B DL

520 W. 3rd Ave.
Denver, CO 80223
(720) 424-7620

Farrell B. Howell

14250 E Albrook Drive
Denver, CO 80239
(720) 424-2740

Florida Pitt Waller*

21601 E 51st Place
Denver, CO 80249
(720) 424-2840

Greenwood* B

5130 Durham Court
Denver, CO 80239
(303) 424-6630

Moore*

846 Corona St.
Denver, CO 80218
(303) 424-5300

Place Bridge Academy NC

7125 Cherry Creek Dr.
North
Denver, CO 80224
(720) 424-0960

Slavens School*

3000 S. Clayton St.
Denver, CO 80210
(720) 424-4150

Trevista at Horace Mann

4130 Navajo St.
Denver, CO 80211
(720) 423-9800

Whittier

2480 Downing St.
Denver, CO 80205
(303) 424-3040

William (Bill) Roberts AK

2100 Akron Way
Denver, CO 80238
(720) 424-2640

Middle Schools (6-8)

Grant Beacon B

1751 S. Washington St.
Denver, CO 80210
(720) 423-9360

Hamilton IF

8600 E. Dartmouth Ave.
Denver, CO 80231
(720) 423-9500

Henry World School IB

3005 S. Golden Way
Denver, CO 80227
(720) 423-9560

Hill Campus of Arts & Sciences

451 Clermont St.
Denver, CO 80220
(720) 423-9680

Kepner

911 S. Hazel Court
Denver, CO 80219
(720) 424-0000

Lake International School IB

1820 Lowell Blvd.
Denver, CO 80204
(720) 424-0260

Merrill NC

1551 S. Monroe St.
Denver, CO 80210
(720) 424-0600

Morey HGT

840 E. 14th Ave.
Denver, CO 80218
(720) 424-0700

Rachel B. Noel

5290 Kittredge St.
Denver, CO 80239
(720) 424-0800

Skinner

3435 W. 40th Ave.
Denver, CO 80211
(720) 424-1420

Smiley IB

2540 Holly St.
Denver, CO 80207
(720) 424-1540

6-12 Schools

Bruce Randolph School B

3955 Steele St.
Denver, CO 80205
(720) 424-1080

Denver Center For International Studies IF

574 W. 6th Ave
Denver, CO 80204
(720) 423-9000

Denver School of the Arts AF

7111 Montview Blvd.
Denver, CO 80220
(720) 424-1700

Martin Luther King, Jr. Early College

19535 E. 46th Ave.
Denver, CO 80249
(720) 424-0420

K-12

Kunsmiller Creative Arts Academy* AF

2250 S. Quitman Way
Denver, CO 80219
(720) 424-0201

*Admission to these schools for grades 6 and above is by application. Contact your school for more information.

See pages 6-7 to locate these schools on a map.

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Charter Schools

Program Key

Advanced Kindergarten	AK
Arts Focus	AF
Beacon	B
Dual Language	DL
Highly Gifted & Talented	HGT

International Baccalaureate	IB
International Focus	IF
Montessori	M
Newcomer Center	NC
Science Focus	SF

Denver Public Schools offers a number of charter school options. A charter school provides free, public elementary and/or secondary education to eligible students, and operates semi-autonomously under a charter granted by the Denver Public Schools Board of Education. Enrollment at each charter school is conducted according to its own process. If you are interested in a particular charter school, please contact that school directly. For more information about Denver Public Schools charter schools call (720) 424-8199.

Elementary

SOAR (K-5)

4800 Telluride St.
Denver, CO 80249
(720) 287-5100
<http://www.soar-denver.org>

ECE-8 Schools

Cesar Chavez Academy

3752 Tennyson St.
Denver, CO 80212
(303) 455-0848
<http://www.cca-pueblo.org/denver>

Denver Language School DL

451 Newport St.
Denver, CO 80220
(303) 557-0852
<http://www.denver-languageschool.org>

Highline Academy

7808 Cherry Creek South Drive
(720) 449-0317
<http://www.highline-academy.org>

Northeast Academy Charter School

4895 Peoria St.
Denver, CO 80239
(303) 307-8837
<http://northeastacademy.org>

The Odyssey School

6550 East 21st Ave.
Denver, CO 80207
(303) 316-3944
<http://www.odyssey-denver.org>

Omar D. Blair Edison Charter School

4905 Cathay St.
Denver, CO 80249
(303) 371-9570
<http://www.edison-schools.com>

Pioneer Charter School (ECE-6)

3230 E. 38th Ave.
Denver, CO 80205
(303) 329-8412
<http://www.pioneer-charter.com>

Wyatt-Edison Charter School

3620 Franklin St.
Denver, CO 80205
(303) 292-5515
<http://www.wyatt-edison.org>

Middle Schools (6-8)

KIPP Sunshine Peak Academy (5-8)

375 S. Tejon St.
Denver, CO 80223
(303) 623-5772
<http://www.sunshine-peak.org>

Manny Martinez Middle School

951 Elati St.
Denver, CO 80204
(303) 893-7988

West Denver Preparatory – Federal Campus

1825 S. Federal Blvd.
Denver, CO 80219
(303) 573-2017
<http://www.west-denverprep.org>

West Denver Preparatory – Harvey Park Campus

2250 S. Quitman Way
Denver, CO 80219
(303) 962-9880
<http://www.west-denverprep.org>

West Denver Preparatory – Highland Campus

2417 West 29th Ave.
Denver, CO 80211
(303) 962-9880
<http://www.west-denverprep.org>

West Denver Preparatory – Lake Campus

1820 Lowell Blvd.
Denver, CO 80204
(303) 573-2017
<http://www.west-denverprep.org>

6-12 Schools

Denver School of Science and Technology – GVR Campus

4800 Telluride St.
Denver, CO 80249
(303) 524-6300

Denver School of Science and Technology – Stapleton Campus

2000 Valentia St.
Denver, CO 80238
(303) 320-5570

Girls Athletic Leadership School (GALS)

200 S. University Blvd.
Denver, CO 80209
(720) 389-9498
<http://www.galschool.org>

Justice High School

4760 Shoshone St.
Denver, CO 80211
(303) 480-5610
<http://www.denver-justice.org>

Venture Prep

2540 Holly St.
Denver, CO 80207
(303) 893-0805
<http://www.venture-prep.org>

K-12 Schools

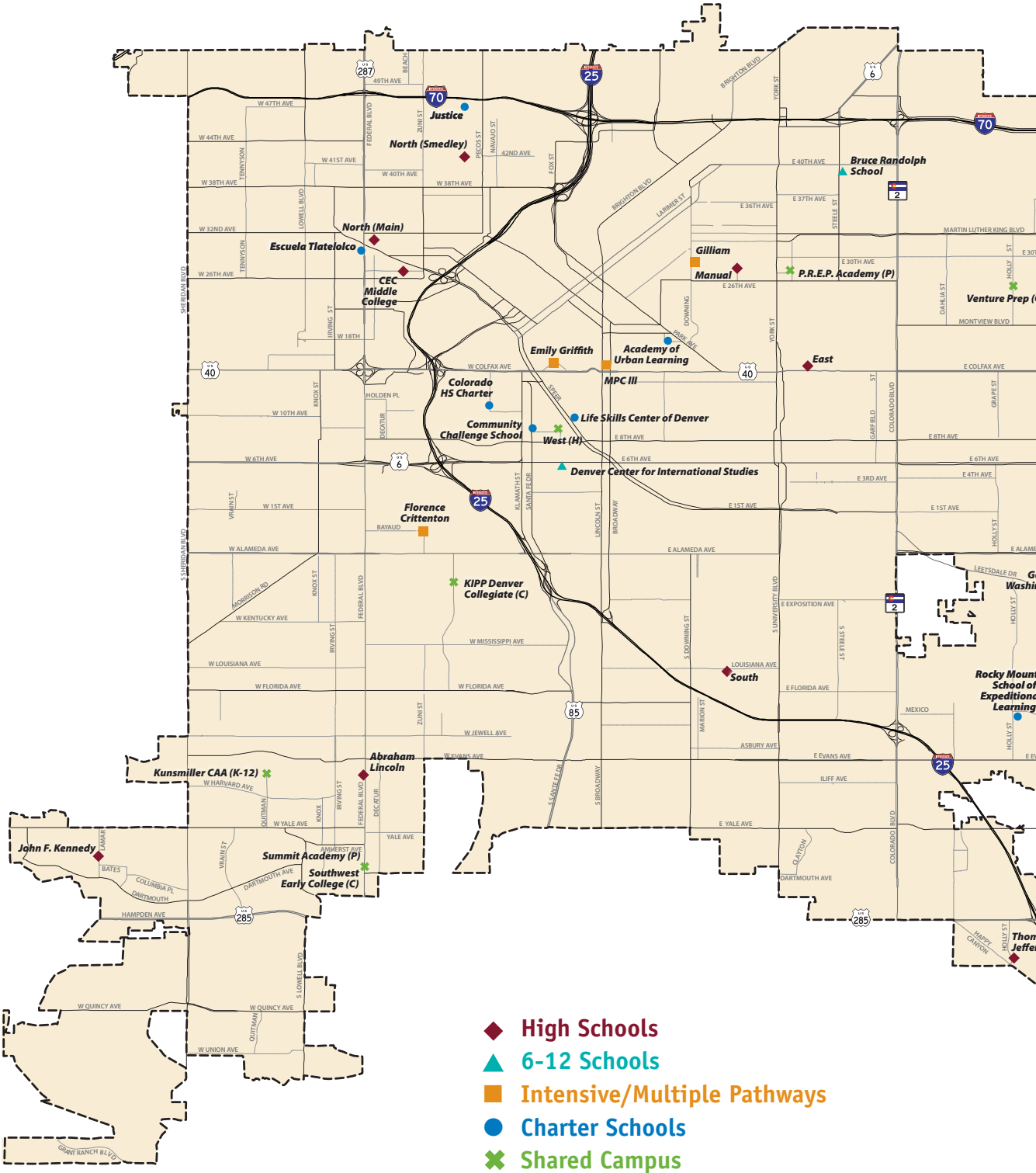
Escuela Tlatelolco

2949 N. Federal Blvd.
Denver, CO 80211
(303) 964-8993
www.escuelatlatelolco.org

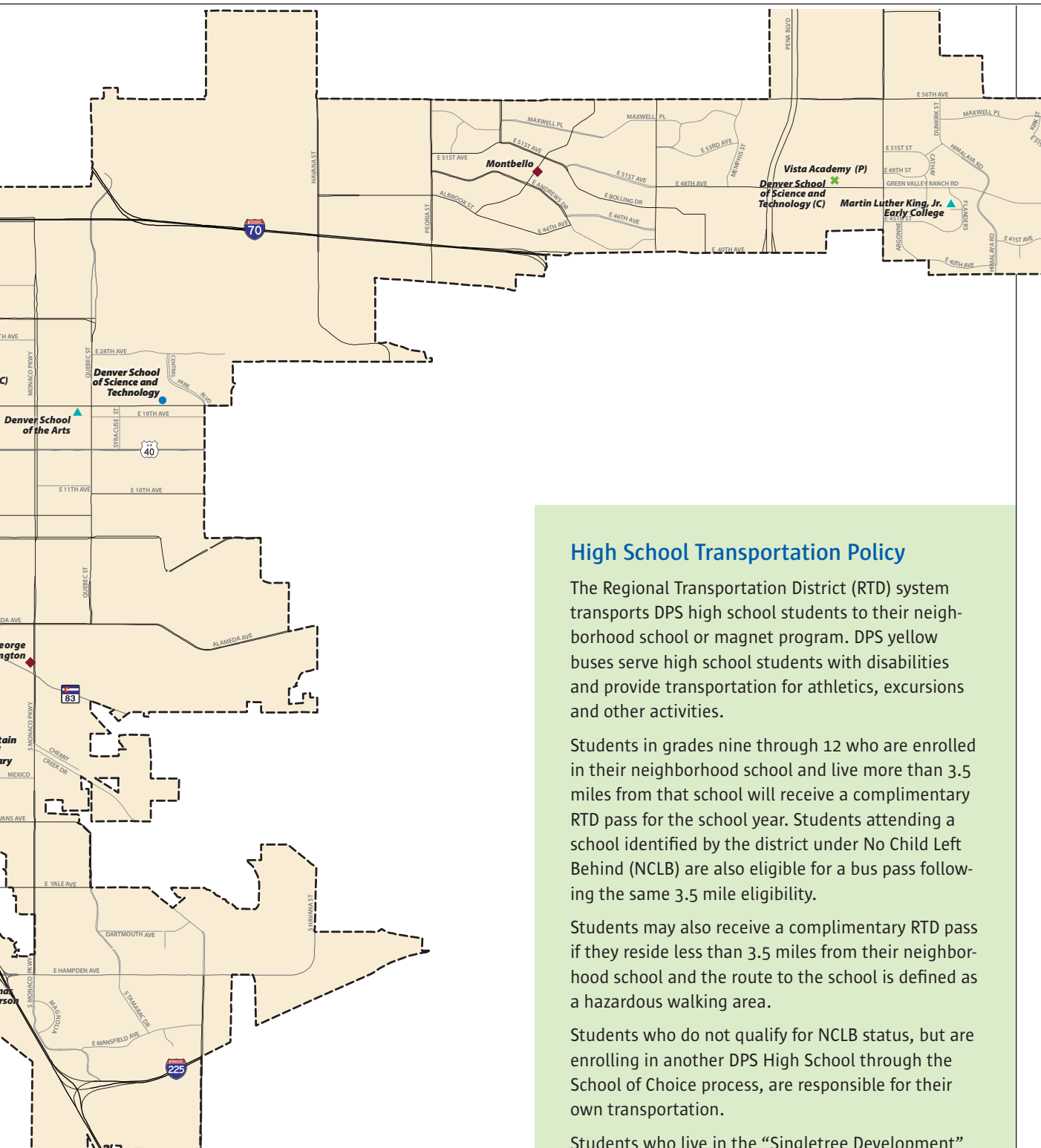
Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning

1700 S. Holly St.
Denver, CO 80222
(303) 759-2076
<http://rmsel.org>

High School Programs



See page 46 for information regarding Ridge View Academy located in Watkins, CO.
See page 47 for school contact information.



High School Transportation Policy

The Regional Transportation District (RTD) system transports DPS high school students to their neighborhood school or magnet program. DPS yellow buses serve high school students with disabilities and provide transportation for athletics, excursions and other activities.

Students in grades nine through 12 who are enrolled in their neighborhood school and live more than 3.5 miles from that school will receive a complimentary RTD pass for the school year. Students attending a school identified by the district under No Child Left Behind (NCLB) are also eligible for a bus pass following the same 3.5 mile eligibility.

Students may also receive a complimentary RTD pass if they reside less than 3.5 miles from their neighborhood school and the route to the school is defined as a hazardous walking area.

Students who do not qualify for NCLB status, but are enrolling in another DPS High School through the School of Choice process, are responsible for their own transportation.

Students who live in the “Singletree Development” area in Aurora located north of 56th Avenue and west of Picadilly Road, and live more than 3.5 miles from Montbello High School, will be provided with a complimentary RTD pass.

Students in charter schools do not generally receive transportation. Contact your school for details.

Your Pathway to Success

Prepare for Your Future at a DPS High School



Students entering high school in Denver Public Schools benefit from a powerful combination of high expectations and strong support. With more than 35 traditional, charter, intensive pathway and multiple pathways schools, there is truly an option to meet every student's needs and talents. With rigorous academics, strong college and career preparation, the widest possible array of athletic and extracurricular programs and a solid foundation of support, DPS high schools prepare each student for success in higher education and throughout their lives.

Now Offering More Options for College and Career Preparation

New for 2011-2012! DPS is proud to offer "multiple pathways" to help every student excel in college or their chosen career. The four categories of schools include Traditional High Schools, Intensive Pathways Schools, Multiple Pathways Centers and Charter High Schools.

In addition to a wide variety of schools, DPS nurtures academic performance, college preparation, career development and 21st-century learning with opportunities such as Advanced Placement and Honors Courses, Advancement Via Individual Determination, Career & Technical Education, College Preparation, Concurrent Enrollment, Engagement Centers, International Baccalaureate programs and Ninth Grade Academy. To help ensure a successful transition to college, DPS is also proud to offer the new Accelerating Students Through Concurrent Enrollment (ASCENT) program for fifth-year high school students.

DPS has also teamed up with the Denver Public Schools Foundation and generous donors to launch the "Join In" initiative. Research shows that students who get involved in sports, clubs or activities are more likely to graduate high school and be prepared for college or a career. Join In helps ensure every student takes part in extracurricular interests that help maintain a strong connection to high school.



Ninth Grade Academy

Ninth Grade Academies offer an exclusive opportunity for incoming ninth-graders to jump-start their transition from middle school or ECE-8 schooling to a successful high school experience. Students who participate in Ninth Grade Academy have improved academic performance as well as a stronger bond with their school community, and are more likely to graduate.

Ninth Grade Academy participants receive math and literacy instruction that incorporates higher-level thinking skills, problem-solving and hands-on learning experiences. They take part in a program designed to improve student confidence and participate in an "Introduction to High School" class that provides strategies to achieve academic success.

Ninth Grade Academies are offered by most DPS traditional high schools and take place in July or August before school starts. High school credit is given to successful Ninth Grade Academy participants.

Contact your high school of choice for more information about this program.

Outstanding Programs & Services

Advanced Placement & Honors Classes

Abraham Lincoln High School
Bruce Randolph School
Denver Center for International Studies
Denver Online High School
Denver School of the Arts
East High School
George Washington High School
John F. Kennedy High School
Martin Luther King, Jr. Early College
Montbello High School
North High School
South High School
Thomas Jefferson High School
West High School

Advanced Placement (AP) courses allow students to gain an advantage in college preparation by experiencing college-level work, improving their writing skills, sharpening their problem-solving techniques and developing the study habits necessary for tackling rigorous course work. Students also broaden their intellectual horizons by exploring the world from a variety of perspectives, studying subjects in greater depth and assuming responsibility for advanced analysis and comprehension. Students who take AP exams have the opportunity to earn credits or advanced standing at most U.S. colleges and universities.

Honors (H) classes are designed to enrich students' knowledge and understanding of course content. To gain this enrichment, students are required to complete certain assignments in addition to those given as part of the regular coursework.

Students who take AP and H courses stand out in the college admissions process. By engaging in these courses, students demonstrate maturity and readiness for college and emphasize their commitment to academic excellence.

Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID)

Participation by application.

Abraham Lincoln High School
East High School
George Washington High School
John F. Kennedy High School
Martin Luther King, Jr. Early College (6-12)
Montbello High School
North High School
South High School
Thomas Jefferson High School
West High School

AVID is a rigorous academic program that targets students who read at or near grade level but are underserved in the college system, or first-generation college students. The program seeks to enroll students in Advanced Placement and Accelerated courses and support their successful completion. AVID is effective in helping students meet high school graduation and college admissions requirements.

Student participation is voluntary. Those participating attend an AVID elective during the regular school day and attend small group tutorials conducted by four-year college students two to three days per week. The tutoring focuses on writing, inquiry, collaboration, reading and study skills to support success in advanced academic courses.



Graduation requirements

To see up-to-date graduation requirements for your class, please visit http://www.dpsk12.org/doc/grad_requirements.shtml.

Outstanding Programs & Services

Career & Technical Education

Abraham Lincoln High School

Career Education Center (CEC) Middle College

Contemporary Learning Academy

Denver Center for International Studies

Denver School of the Arts

East High School

Emily Griffith Opportunity School

George Washington High School

John F. Kennedy High School

Martin Luther King, Jr. Early College

Montbello High School

North High School

South High School

Thomas Jefferson High School

West High School

Denver Public Schools' unique Career & Technical Education (CTE) programs prepare students for post-secondary success by providing a wide array of options to explore future career opportunities. Each CTE student develops a personal education plan that includes a rigorous course of study that meets or exceeds core academic content standards while gaining hands-on professional experience and employability skills. CTS courses create an accelerated pathway to post-secondary education with concurrent enrollment and articulation opportunities at all participating schools.

College Preparation

DPS is fortunate to host a large number of pre-collegiate programs, which assist students in preparing for post-secondary success. A comprehensive listing, with detailed descriptions and Web site addresses, is published annually by College In Colorado at www.collegeincolorado.org (click on Statewide Resources and scroll down to publications).

For further information, contact College in Colorado at gully.stanford@cic.state.co.us or call (720) 264-3563.

Concurrent Enrollment and ASCENT

Denver Public Schools' Concurrent Enrollment and ASCENT programs offer college-ready students the opportunity to attend college courses free of charge. Students will work with their school counselor and administrator(s) to prepare a Personal Education Plan that includes their intended college major or specialization and demonstrates how Concurrent Enrollment fits with those goals.

Concurrent Enrollment is open to any DPS student, and ASCENT is for fifth-year students. To learn more, call (720) 423-6801.

Credit Recovery

Credit Recovery and Unit Recovery, now offered in all DPS high schools, allow students to quickly complete classes and/or units needed for graduation. This online program is bolstered by support from experienced, highly qualified teachers who help students quickly complete classes in a variety of subjects, from American Literature to Physical Education. Classroom support is available during the day, at night and on Saturdays at DPS's Engagement Centers. See page 27 for Engagement Center locations and contact information.

Denver Scholarship Foundation

The Denver Scholarship Foundation helps DPS students get accepted to, pay for and succeed in college. DSF offers college and financial aid advice at Future Centers located inside DPS high schools, and provides college scholarships to qualifying DPS graduates. To be considered for a DSF scholarship, students must graduate with a 2.0 cumulative GPA, attend a DPS high school for four years (beginning with the class of 2012), and apply by April 1. For a full list of requirements, visit your Future Center or denverscholarship.org.



Engagement Centers

The newly created DPS Engagement Centers help students who have struggled in a traditional high school setting, including students who have dropped out. Engagement Centers offer programs designed to help students catch up on credits, access to community resources and counseling and support. Engagement Centers offer classes and support services during the day, at night and on Saturdays to meet students’ unique scheduling needs.

Abraham Lincoln High School
(720) 423-5000

Montbello High School (720) 423-5700

North High School (720) 423-2700

West High School (720) 423-5300

International Baccalaureate (IB)

Middle Years Program (grades 9-10) & Diploma Program (grades 11-12)

Admission by application.

The comprehensive IB program serves motivated students who are seeking an academic challenge. Students follow an international curriculum, pursue extensive research and writing and participate in community service. The IB program emphasizes the importance of the learning process.

George Washington High School
(see page 35)

John F. Kennedy High School
(see page 36)

Join In

A Strong Connection to School Helps Kids Graduate

Research shows that students who get involved in sports, clubs, or activities are more likely to graduate high school and be prepared for college or a career. That’s why Denver Public Schools, the Denver Public Schools Foundation and generous donors have teamed up to make sure every student “joins in” with extracurricular interests that help maintain a strong connection to high school.

Extra Help for Athletes

Through the generosity of private donors, DPS will receive additional funding for high school athletic programs. DPS will hire additional athletic coaches and athlete tutors; update uniforms and equipment; and provide financial assistance to qualifying students to lower participation fees.

Boosting College Preparation

Incoming juniors and seniors will be encouraged to participate in College Prep Academy, an intensive 10-day program focused on preparation for Advanced Placement classes and ACT testing. Students will also benefit from college-readiness programs and training throughout the school year.





Nothing is more important than helping
Denver Public Schools students achieve.

That's why the Denver Public Schools (DPS) Foundation exists.

The DPS Foundation drives community investment
in Denver Public Schools to support:

- After-school programs
- Tutoring
- Leadership training and mentoring for school leaders
- Classroom grants
- ...and much more.

With the support of the community, we are helping to create schools where outstanding educational achievements are the norm and all children have hope of a great future.

Learn more about the DPS Foundation and make an investment
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Abraham Lincoln High School



Abraham Lincoln High School Academy for College Preparation is a school on the rise. Lincoln has successfully served the students who live and learn in Denver's southwest communities for more than 45 years. Today, our institution of learning celebrates and welcomes a very diverse population of students from around the world and provides a safe space and climate for all students to make "big moves" academically, emotionally and socially.

Lincoln offers a unique high school experience that puts students on successful college and career paths. Lincoln is one of only 27 schools in the country to be designated as a College Board EXCEerator School and provides a wide variety of Advanced Placement and Accelerated classes to prepare students for college. Many seniors attend college classes prior to graduating as part of Lincoln's College Now program, which allows ninth through twelfth grade students the opportunity to obtain an associate degree or a vocational certificate for free. In addition, through a partnership with the University of Colorado at Denver and Metropolitan State College of Denver, students can take college courses while in high school.

Lincoln's course offerings include JROTC, Computer Tech, Industrial Arts, Consumer Economics, World Languages (Chinese, French, Italian and Spanish) and Fine Arts. With the goal of meeting the needs and interests of its students and community, Lincoln offers a full range of support programs including Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), English Language Acquisition, Special Education, a year-long Freshmen Academy for incoming ninth-graders and credit recovery after school and on Saturdays.

Lincoln also offers students an array of athletic opportunities and is proud to be home to the 2007 Class 4A State Championship Boys Basketball Team.



Success in college and beyond

Abraham Lincoln High School • Academy for College Preparation
2285 S. Federal Blvd. • Denver, CO 80219 • (720) 423-5000 • <http://alhs.dpsk12.org>

Lincoln students are required to wear a school uniform shirt.

Bruce Randolph School



Bruce Randolph offers an excellent education for students in 6th through 12th grade. Teachers strive to cultivate a strong sense of identity among students at each grade level and encourage them to bond as a group who will graduate together, six years later. Our goal is a 100% graduation rate.

Student achievement is at the heart of our program. To ensure success, we provide:

- Consistent teaching standards school-wide, including academic and behavioral interventions, grading systems, and weekly grade reports to students
- Professional development focused on helping all students reach proficiency
- Opportunities for staff to perform analysis of student achievement data and utilize the findings to inform instruction
- Facilitator partners for teachers to help develop their own individual classroom skills
- A quarterly academic progress conference that enables students and teachers to confer together and set reasonable, achievable goals



Developing lifelong learners

Bruce Randolph School
3955 Steele St. • Denver, CO 80205 • (720) 424-1080 • <http://randolph.dpsk12.org>

Career Education Center (CEC) Middle College



As Denver's only comprehensive career and technical magnet school, **Career Education Center (CEC) Middle College** serves as a bridge between high school and college for students in grades nine through 12. CEC enrolls both half-day students who take pre-professional courses at CEC while enrolled in their home high school, and full-time students who want a more intensive college preparatory program combined with a career-oriented experience.

CEC provides all students with real-life learning experiences by offering dozens of career-oriented courses in the fields of medicine, business and family and consumer sciences, as well as the trades and technical industries. Students can earn academic credits toward a college associate degree while completing CEC's career program requirements.

The CEC Middle College program seeks students who have the aptitude for college but need to further develop their academic skills. Almost all CEC full-time students will be the first in their family to attend college; they want more from their education and are willing to work hard to achieve a better future. To

assist in the transition to college, all juniors and seniors take their core high school classes on the Community College of Denver Auraria campus.

To support its high expectations, CEC offers after-school tutoring, a school-wide, four-year mentoring program called PRIDE and a study skills class that students take concurrently with their first college class. Through support and preparation, CEC students are very successful in their college classes.



Real-life learning experiences

Career Education Center (CEC) Middle College
2650 Eliot St. • Denver, CO 80211 • (720) 423-6600 • <http://dosomethingreal.com>

Acceptance into the full-time program is by application. For enrollment as a half-day student, please see your school counselor.

Denver Center for International Studies



The **Denver Center for International Studies** is a world-class school focused on international and intercultural affairs. DCIS prepares students in world languages, the study of cultures and cross-cultural communication, international issues and conflict resolution, as well as the connection between community issues and larger global challenges.

DCIS prepares students for college by developing multilingual, inter-culturally competent citizens who are actively involved in our rapidly changing world. Specifically, DCIS offers:

- The opportunity for students to become functionally fluent in Chinese, French, Italian, Japanese or Spanish and develop translation skills
- Cross-cultural immersion through international travel and exchanges
- A diverse student body – economically, ethnically, racially and internationally – reflecting the world’s diverse cultures
- A personal advisement process that ensures that each student makes the most of his/her educational opportunities
- Active learning opportunities for students to engage in global issues as well as challenges faced in their own communities
- A classroom connection to the real world through service learning and involvement in community organizations
- Acquisition of leadership, articulation, critical thinking, problem-solving and creative perspectives skills
- Opportunities to study and practice international arts as a cultural entry to understanding people around the world

Denver Center for International Studies (6-12)
574 W. 6th Ave • Denver, CO 80204 • (720) 423-9000 • <http://cisdenver.org>

Acceptance to this program is by application. Admission is open to students with a broad range of academic backgrounds, but requires motivation to excel.

Denver School of the Arts



The Denver Public Schools’ **Denver School of the Arts (DSA)** is the only comprehensive arts magnet school in the Rocky Mountain region. The 6th-12th grade program provides many unique opportunities for our 1,050 students to nurture their creative talents in a supportive environment designed to encourage artistic and academic excellence.

DSA is rated “Excellent” on state Accountability Report Cards. The high school academic program has been recognized for two years running by the US News & World Report as one of America’s top high schools.

Students are admitted into DSA through an application and audition process. Students elect to major in one art form of their choice: Band, Creative Writing, Dance, Guitar, Orchestra, Piano, Stagecraft & Design, Theatre, Video Cinema Arts, Visual Arts or Vocal Music.

Application Milestone	Timeline
Audition Information Available at http://dsa.dpsk12.org	September 1, 2010
Middle School Visitation Days	October-November
Online Application Available at http://dsa.dpsk12.org	November 1, 2010
Application Deadline (must apply online)	11:59 pm, November 23, 2010
Pre-Audition Meetings	November 29-30, December 1, 2010
Auditions (scheduled at pre-audition meetings)	January 5, 8, 19, 22, 2011
Acceptance Announcements	Late February

Arts magnet school

Denver School of the Arts
7111 Montview Blvd. • Denver, CO 80220 • (720) 424-1700 • <http://dsa.dpsk12.org>
Students are admitted to DSA through an application and audition process.

East High School



In an age that often seems careless with tradition, **East High School** prides itself as Denver Public Schools' "flagship" in its long-standing educational service to the students and families of Denver. East provides a rigorous and balanced learning experience for more than 2,000 students in our ethnically, culturally, linguistically and economically diverse community.

From the clock tower on our striking campus, one can see the businesses on Colfax, the spires of our city's buildings and the magnificent Rockies in the distance. The breadth of this view parallels our vision of greatness for every East Angel. For as far as we can see, our alumni have a tremendous impact on our world and the influence of our future graduates is sure to continue our great legacy.

In recent years, East High School students have won State Championships in Boys and Girls Basketball; Boys Soccer, Rugby and Ultimate Frisbee; and the National Championship in Constitutional Law for three years running.

East's creative and bold academic offerings, along with support classes to promote

success, provide students with the very highest levels of academic rigor and the greatest opportunity for success in college and beyond. East boasts the highest rate of performance and growth of any fully inclusive Denver high school on the Colorado Student Assessment Program (CSAP 2009). Also, we provide our students with the greatest number of Advanced Placement opportunities in the district. Strong Academic Success and Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) programs are examples of the many investments we make devoted to supporting our students in their college and work experiences.

Examples of other engaging classroom experiences include: Architecture and Engineering, Vocal and Instrumental Music, JROTC, Speech and Debate, East Theater Company, Student Newspaper, Constitutional Scholars, Painting/Drawing, Ceramics, Photography, Business and many more.

Alumni, parent and community partnerships are also strengths of East High School. From the active P.T.S.A., to the Angel Foundation, the Student Assistance Fund and the Angel Pride Committee, our students' interests are well-guarded and supported by an incredible number of volunteers and community leaders.

East High School

1600 City Park Esplanade • Denver, CO 80206 • (720) 423-8300 • <http://east.dpsk12.org>

George Washington High School



George Washington High School is an innovator and is at the forefront of reform in the Denver Public Schools system. It provides students with unique programs and professional learning opportunities that go beyond what we traditionally expect from a high school.

As the oldest International Baccalaureate (IB) program in the state, GW attracts the top students from DPS and from the surrounding suburbs. The 425 IB students are active in sports, music, drama, yearbook, newspaper and more. Graduates from the IB program maintain a 90 percent IB diploma rate and are studying at colleges and universities all over the world.

In addition to its IB program, the Advanced Placement program at GW is among the best in the nation and the school's Advancement Via Individual Determination Program (AVID) is designed to prepare academically average students for college eligibility and success by placing them in advanced classes. Juniors and seniors can choose to attend college classes while in high school and earn college credits.

George Washington High School makes learning relevant to students' lives and interests. Students have access to a rich assortment of activities and academic programs designed to prepare them for life. GW offers more than 45 clubs and organizations including a top-ranked drama club, a popular mock trial club, a nationally ranked National History Day and competitive speech, math and Model UN teams.



International baccalaureate

George Washington High School • Offering an Authorized International Baccalaureate Programme
655 S. Monaco Parkway • Denver, CO 80224 • (720) 423-8600 • <http://gwhs.dpsk12.org>

Students are admitted to the IB Program through an application process.
Visit <http://www.georgeib.com> or call (720) 423-8673 for more information.

John F. Kennedy High School



What separates **John F. Kennedy High School (JFK)** from other schools? JFK is proud to offer an authorized IB education for students in grades 9-12. All students in grade nine and ten at JFK participate in the prestigious International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Programme. Students can

choose to apply to the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme for their 11th and 12th grade years.

In addition to IB, JFK offers a comprehensive high school program. Through a variety of programs like Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), Project Lead the Way, career and technical education, business courses, world language classes, industrial technology instruction and much more, all JFK students are prepared for success in college and other opportunities after high school. The Project Lead the Way pre-engineering program allows students to explore technology-

related careers and prepare them for two- or four-year college programs. Students use state-of-the-art equipment and computer software. Through Career and Technical Education and business classes, students are trained for careers in the field of business or marketing.

The Industrial Technology Department provides programs that prepare students for college studies, job placement and the formation of lifelong skills, as well as learning opportunities that enhance core academic skills.

Students who successfully complete the International Baccalaureate, business or industrial tech programs can earn college credit.



International baccalaureate

John F. Kennedy High School • Offering an Authorized International Baccalaureate Programme
2855 S. Lamar St. • Denver, CO 80227 • (720) 423-4300 • <http://jfk.dpsk12.org>

Students are admitted to the IB Programme through an application process.

Manual High School



At **Manual High School**, our mission and commitment is to do whatever it takes to engage students in school, ensure that they learn and prepare them for success in college, careers and life.

The newly reopened Manual is a small school offering personalized education and a rigorous academic program. Students, along with their teachers, administrators and the community, are establishing a unique culture at Manual based on professionalism and high academic performance.

Manual provides the highest quality core academic courses in math, language arts, science, social studies and Spanish. Manual also offers music, art and other electives such as aquatics and Taekwondo. A variety of extra-curricular activities and sports programs are based on student interest and the rich resources available in the community.

All Manual students are expected to prepare for future success by working hard, being responsible and doing the right thing. During the 2007-2008 school year, Manual had an 88% student attendance rate, 80% attendance at parent/student/teacher conferences and an absolute zero dropout rate.

The core values to which the entire school community aspires are:

1. High performance:

Demonstrate high levels of achievement in academics, athletics, extracurricular activities, and professionalism – meeting high expectations to prepare for post-secondary education, careers and life.

2. Professionalism: Demonstrate technical expertise, critical thinking, creativity and entrepreneurial skills to solve business and community problems.

3. Equity: Treat everyone with respect and fairness and give students the necessary resources and support to achieve at high levels.

4. Personalization: Identify individual interests, strengths and challenges, and support students through meaningful relationships and a safe school environment.

5. Collaboration: Act responsibly with the interests of the larger community in mind, demonstrating ethical behavior in personal, workplace and community contexts. This includes working together in common purpose, demonstrating teamwork and leadership.

Manual High School

1700 E. 28th Ave. • Denver, CO 80205 • (720) 423-6300 • <http://manual.dpsk12.org>

Students interested in attending Manual are required to sign a Student and Family Contract.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Early College



Located in far northeast Denver, the nationally acclaimed **Martin Luther King, Jr. Early College** serves college-bound students in grades 6 through 12. The Early College partners with the Community College of Aurora (CCA) to offer tuition-free college courses on both our campus and CCA's campus. In addition, students can take early college courses through the Advanced Placement program and CU Succeeds.

Students at the Early College benefit from a rigorous curriculum and strong school culture, high expectations, zealous support and exposure to multiple learning opportunities. Learning takes place in a personalized environment where significant effort is both demanded and supported.

The Early College program combines:

- Fully aligned, rigorous curricula from middle school through high school to prepare students for post-secondary education
- School-wide AVID strategies to ensure students understand the relevance of their coursework and aspire to two-year, four-year or technical colleges
- Highly motivated and qualified teachers who care deeply about student success

- Intervention classes to support students who may need extra help to become academically proficient
- Uniforms to maintain a solid academic environment and help students feel motivated
- After-school clubs, activities and athletics to engage students and connect them to the school
- Educational technology throughout the building to instruct students in 21st-century skills
- Off-campus field trips to metro-area colleges and academic competitions to give students a chance to challenge themselves
- Supportive and informative counseling to assist families with everything from college and scholarship applications to specific family needs

Students applying to the Early College program must demonstrate an ability to successfully complete a college-prep curriculum. The admissions committee evaluates applicants' academic and behavioral record, their willingness to commit to the program and strong parental support.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Early College
19535 E. 46th Ave. • Denver, CO 80249-6637 • (720) 424-0420 • <http://mlk.dpsk12.org>
High school students (9th-12th) are enrolled through an application process.

Montbello High School



Success for all... No excuses.

Montbello High School is committed to preparing students for post-secondary success in a learning environment that instills high expectations for behavior, character and academic achievement.

Montbello offers an academy structure made up of a Ninth Grade Academy, Technology Innovations Academy and Early College Academy.

The Ninth Grade Academy provides freshmen with a smaller learning community environment, and teachers implement strategies to help students move to the next academic

grade having mastered the core standards needed for success.

The Technology Innovations Academy

provides students with relevant technology-based curricular options through technology-rich courses such as Web Design, Audio Engineering, Videography and Game Design/Programming. Technology is also integrated into core instruction.

The Early College Academy offers rigorous learning opportunities in core classes with the expectation that students will graduate having taken at least two college classes.

Because our mission is to educate and empower all students to become productive world citizens, Montbello offers credit recovery opportunities on Saturdays and after-school programs including JROTC, the Trades Program at Montbello and Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), which are all aimed at preparing students for successful careers following high school graduation.



Educate and empower

Montbello High School

5000 Crown Blvd. • Denver, CO 80239 • (720) 423-5700 • <http://montbello.dpsk12.org>

Montbello High School requires that all students wear uniforms.

North High School



The Denver **North High School** campus is being developed to include a comprehensive program that will work diligently with all schools in North Denver. The goal is to provide strong instruction for students that will involve close communication between grade levels to ensure smooth transitions and continuous learning.

The educational program will focus on access, improving rigor and quality, retention, graduation and college attendance rates. Teachers will collect and use achievement data, course placement and retention information at the department and school levels to dramatically improve students' success. A welcoming environment will draw on a sense of community, core values and diversity.

Successful students will be prepared to be leaders in their chosen professions and will serve as engaged, educated contributors to a global community. Upon graduation, students will have earned college credits and will be prepared to succeed in college.

The NHS Freshman Academy at Smedley will house the ninth-graders from the classes of 2013 and 2014. The Academy will provide academic knowledge and skills and model behaviors to achieve college readiness through a rigorous curriculum focused on Cognitive Strategies and Content Knowledge. Students will have access to individualized attention in a small school environment. Teachers will monitor students' progress and report home weekly. Mentoring and tutoring will be available throughout the school day and after school. Freshmen will join upperclassmen on the main NHS Campus to participate in extra-curricular activities, school-wide assemblies and mentoring programs.

At North, it is expected that students receive quality instruction every day. The expectation for all students is high and failure is not an option.

Rigorous curriculum for college readiness

North High School – Main Campus
2960 N. Speer Blvd. • Denver, CO 80211 • (720) 423-2700

North Freshman Academy – Smedley Campus
4250 Shoshone St. • Denver, CO 80211 • (303) 433-3321 • <http://denvernorth.org>

South High School



South High School is located in the south Denver neighborhood adjacent to Washington Park, where it enjoys the strong support of its community, parents and alumni. South's internationally diverse student population has the unique opportunity to gain an understanding of many cultures; its groundbreaking and innovative programs allow students to engage in a broad range of studies.

Every South student has the opportunity for successful entrance to a post-secondary education program or career by engaging in a rigorous course load of accelerated and honors classes.

We offer 22 Advanced Placement courses in the four core academic areas as well as world languages, art, music and economics. We also have a Denver Scholarship Foundation office located within South High School.

Last year, South was named an AVID National Demonstration School. In addition, in 2007 we were designated as a National College Board EXCEerator school. Through the EXCEerator program all 9th, 10th and 11th grade students are afforded the opportunity to take the PSAT exam in October of each year at no cost.

South's comprehensive academic, elective and extracurricular programs produce well-rounded students. Elective programs are offered in visual arts, music, dance, drama, business, physical education, JROTC, world languages and technology. A full range of boys' and girls' athletics, club sports and activities are available to students during the fall, winter and spring.

The following South programs have received state and national recognition: competitive speech, JROTC, newspaper, dance, math, chess club, Mathematics Engineering and Science Achievement (MESA), visual arts, Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), drama, music and Slam Poetry.

An extensive after-school tutorial program is available in the four core academic areas. Our APEX Computer Center also offers struggling students academic support. In addition, prep sessions are offered twice a week to help students prepare for the ACT/SAT tests. Services for Special Education students include a full-inclusion mild/moderate program as well as two Multi-Intensive programs.

Nationally recognized college prep

South High School

1700 E. Louisiana Ave. • Denver, CO 80210 • (720) 423-6000 • <http://south.dpsk12.org>

Thomas Jefferson High School



Thomas Jefferson High School (TJHS) is located in southeast Denver. The school's multicultural and comprehensive curriculum supports its mission: to guarantee that youth have the opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to become responsible, self-sufficient citizens.

TJHS has been named a College Board EXCEerator high school, one of 27 high schools nationally to receive this honor. EXCEerator drives achievement by expecting all students to succeed in advanced courses and other advanced electives. Students will be supported on their path to college through AVID, College Summit and the Denver Scholarship Foundation.

TJHS offers Advanced Placement classes in English, mathematics, science and social studies. In addition to its comprehensive cur-

riculum, the school offers numerous extracurricular activities including a comprehensive journalism program with its own digital television station, and a number of athletics for both males and females.

Students participating in the TJHS Computer Magnet program learn on state-of-the-art technology. In the summer of 2007, this program won the nationally recognized Aldo Papone Award for excellence in Information Technology given by the National Academy Foundation (NAF). This Computer Magnet program was the only academy in Colorado and the surrounding region to receive the national award in 2007. The program was also recently recognized in College Board Magazine.



Tech-savvy studies

Thomas Jefferson High School

3950 South Holly Street • Denver, CO 80237 • (720) 423-7000 • <http://www.tjjournal.com>

Contact Thomas Jefferson High School for more information about its computer magnet program.

West High School



West High School is becoming one of Denver's premier high schools emphasizing college preparation and career and technical education. The rigorous coursework and real world experiences offered at West provide students with relevant pathways to higher education.

Today's 21st-century education at West includes building an academic foundation and expanding its services to support all learners. As part of our efforts to expand coursework in the areas of college readiness and career and technical education, West will implement Medical, Engineering, Technology, Arts and Serving Learning (METAS). The METAS model at West will collaborate with Emily Griffith Opportunity School, Metro State, Community College of Denver, the University of Colorado at Denver and other higher education institutions to offer students choice and strong academics.

In addition, West is making a strong effort to support challenged students with an important new dropout prevention program. West will offer a flexible schedule that includes night and Saturday school to students who

need to recover credits and students who have dropped out but would like to return to school with a non-traditional schedule.

There is no doubt that West's students are intelligent, positive, artistic, creative, bilingual and talented. The rigorous instructional programming provided through METAS is structured to support and inspire students to reach their full potential and access their individual strengths and passions. West's community is full of extremely dedicated, talented professionals who are committed to helping West students succeed.

West's administration has been working with students, parents, teachers and community members to create a new identity for West and draw on the rich resources and expertise that exist in the neighboring arts, business and post-secondary communities. In addition to some of the great programs that already exist, West will expand a signature program through METAS that will provide relevant pathways to higher education.

Relevant pathways to higher education

West High School
951 Elati St. • Denver, CO 80204 • (720) 423-5300 • <http://west.dpsk12.org>
Please join us and be part of this exciting new vision at West High School!

Intensive Pathways & Multiple Pathways

Contemporary Learning Academy High School (CLA)

Admission is by application.

The Contemporary Learning Academy is a diploma-granting high school that believes in the development of the whole individual. CLA is a place where academic achievement with rigorous content, as well as the personal growth of every member of the school community, are both valued and expected as our students are guided and supported through their own self-discovery in a structured environment.

CLA also offers flexible GED prep (16 ½ - 21 years) and Night High School (grades 9-12) programs.

2211 W. 27th Ave. • Denver, CO 80211
(720) 423-6900 • <http://cla.dpsk12.org>

Denver Online High School

Admission is by application.

The Denver Online High School is a diploma-granting high school providing DPS standards-based curriculum and personalized education outside the traditional classroom and school setting. Students attend school from a variety of locations. They are assigned an advisor who provides specialized assistance until the student graduates and a DPS instructor for each class who works directly with them as a teacher and mentor.

(720) 423-6690 • <http://denveronline.dpsk12.org>

Emily Griffith Opportunity School

Admission is by application.

High school students can earn a high school diploma or GED in an adult academic setting at Emily Griffith Opportunity School. To attend, students must be 17 years and older, committed to learning, and have been away from their home schools for at least four months. Emily Griffith Opportunity School offers college and vocational courses leading to career prospects and successful post-secondary transitions.

1250 Welton St. • Denver, CO 80204
(720) 423-4700 • <http://eghs.dpsk12.org>

Florence Crittenton

Admission is by application.

Florence Crittenton is a diploma-granting high school for pregnant and parenting teens grades 7-12. The school is operated by Parent Pathways Inc., a not-for-profit agency whose mission is to help teen parents raise healthy families.

96 S. Zuni St. • Denver, CO 80223
(303) 733-7686 • <http://florencecrittenton.dpsk12.org>

Gilliam School

Admission is by referral by the Department of Youth Corrections.

Gilliam School is a year-round program that serves students who have become part of the juvenile justice system. Small-group instruction focuses on fundamentals such as language arts, mathematics, technology and physical education. Students may earn full or partial credit for their studies, which may be applied upon return to their home school.

2844 Downing St. • Denver, CO 80205
(303) 291-8930

Multiple Pathways Centers

Admission is by application.

Multiple Pathways Centers offer a different approach to non-traditional education, with faster pathways toward high school graduation and extensive preparation for college or career success. Multiple Pathways Scholars choose from one of two high-school completion options: Diploma Plus or GED Preparation.

In addition, all Diploma and GED candidates can select from a variety of Advanced Placement, Career & Technical Education, Concurrent Enrollment and Credit Recovery electives.

Summit Academy

3001 S. Federal Blvd. • Denver, CO 80236
(720) 424-2400 • <http://summit.dpsk12.org>

Vista Academy

4800 Telluride St. • Denver, CO 80249
(720) 423-7600

Multiple Pathways Center III (name to be determined)

1690 Williams St. • Denver, CO 80218

P.R.E.P Academy

Admission is by application.

P.R.E.P. Academy assists students who struggle in a traditional academic setting and require additional support for behavioral issues. P.R.E.P. grants high school diplomas and offers an intense focus on three core content areas – math, science and literacy. Students also improve their communication, social skills and character development to help ensure a successful return to their home school.

2727 Columbine St. • Denver, CO 80205
(720) 424-8451

Charter Schools at Denver Public Schools

Academy of Urban Learning Charter School (AUL) (10-12)

AUL serves youth ages 16-20 whose high school graduation is at risk due to homelessness, unstable living conditions or difficulty succeeding in other school settings. AUL's goal is for students to achieve graduation and economic self-sufficiency through a competency-based program. Students are given the opportunity to receive wrap-around social services that support them in their non-academic needs.

835 E. 18th Ave. • Denver, CO 80218
(303) 282-0900 • <http://www.auldenver.org>

Colorado High School Charter (CHSC) (10-12)

Colorado High School Charter offers an excellent small-school education for students who have struggled personally or academically in a conventional high school. The focus of CHSC is to provide challenging core academic courses, constant practice with the process of learning, reflection exercises to develop character and preparation for post-secondary options including college. Six, six-week blocks per year give students the opportunity for frequent feedback regarding grades and credits earned as well as five enrollment periods per year. Students experience structure, high expectations for attendance (80% requirement) and genuine support through graduation.

1175 Osage St. #100 • Denver, CO 80204
(303) 892-8475 • <http://www.chscharter.org>

Community Challenge School (8-10)

The Community Challenge School is on a continuous year-round calendar, serving "high-risk" students and families in west Denver. The school blends Denver Public Schools and state of Colorado content and standards-based academic programs with direct human services through a partnership with Adolescent Counseling Exchange (ACE).

948 Santa Fe Dr. • Denver, CO 80204-3937
(303) 436-9588

Denver School of Science and Technology (DSST) (6-12)

The Denver School of Science and Technology offers a rich and dynamic curriculum designed to challenge students and prepare them to attend and succeed in a four-year college and to be responsible citizens and leaders of the future. DSST is centered on six core values – respect, responsibility, integrity, courage, curiosity and doing your best. Academically, students are challenged with a rigorous, liberal arts college preparatory curriculum with an emphasis on the sciences. Each student receives a laptop or tablet computer, allowing students to learn with the latest technology. To meet the differing needs of the age spectrum of high school students, DSST is composed of two academies: Prep Academy (grades 9-10) and the Senior Academy (grades 11-12).

GVR Campus
4800 Telluride St.
Denver, CO 80249
(303) 524-6300
<http://scienceandtech.org>

Stapleton Campus
2800 Valentia St.
Denver, CO 80238
(303) 320-5570

Escuela Tlatelolco (K-12)

Escuela Tlatelolco is a year-round, experiential school whose academic programs are enhanced with indigenous Mexicano/Chicano history and culture. High expectations and a project-centered, interdisciplinary curriculum challenge students to stay in school and prepare for higher education.

2949 N. Federal Blvd. • Denver, CO 80211
(303) 964-8993 • <http://www.escuelatlatelolco.org>

Justice High School (7-12)

Justice High School's mission is to provide a year-round college preparatory education for all enrolled students. Justice High School targets students who are chronically truant or expelled, or who have been involved in the criminal justice system. The school provides an educational program that not only presents the classics in a traditional way, but also teaches students how to apply the lessons of the classics to modern-day situations.

4760 Shoshone St. • Denver, CO 80211
(303) 480-5610 • <http://www.denverjustice.org>



Charter Schools at Denver Public Schools

KIPP Denver Collegiate High School (9-12)

KIPP is a college preparatory public school with a track record of preparing students in underserved communities for success in college and in life. KIPP builds a partnership among parents, students and teachers that puts learning first. By providing outstanding educators, more time in school learning and a strong culture of achievement, KIPP is helping all students climb the mountain to college. Nationally, more than 90 percent of KIPP middle school students have gone on to college preparatory high schools and more than 80 percent of KIPP alumni have gone on to college.

451 S. Tejon St. • Denver, CO 80223
(303) 922-5324 • <http://www.kippcolorado.org>

Life Skills Center of Denver (9-12)

Life Skills Center of Denver is a unique place for students who are seeking success in high school in an alternative setting. We accommodate students who are experiencing difficulties with the routine of traditional public high schools. Life Skills Center of Denver is also able to take full advantage of community partnerships to help students surpass barriers that might keep them out of school. The unique curriculum combines academics with career readiness. Students attend one five-hour session each day, five days per week. The Life Skills Center of Denver's educational program operates throughout the calendar year and is individualized for each student to progress at his/her own pace.

1000 Cherokee St. • Denver, CO 80204
(720) 889-2898
<http://www.lifeskillscenters.com>

Students must be 16-21 years old to enroll. Life Skills Center of Denver is a diploma-granting program.

Ridge View Academy (9-12)

At Ridge View Academy, it is our mission to provide an environment where all youth feel safe, learning thrives and accountability for behavior is a source of pride. We believe that changing behavior first requires an atmosphere of trust and safety where all student needs are met. This is why Ridge View Academy's facilities are licensed, accredited and meet the highest standards and requirements of our industry. Our facilities are safe, clean, structured and controlled and give youth a sense of wellbeing. Only within this context of a protected environment can long-lasting behavioral changes be instilled.

28101 E. Quincy Ave. • Watkins, CO 80137
(303) 214-1136 • <http://www.ridgeviewacademy.org>

Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning (K-12)

The mission of the Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning (RMSEL) is to empower students and staff to be learners, thinkers, citizens and explorers engaged in and inspired by the real world. Expeditionary Learning captures the power of Outward Bound principles and research about best practices and combines them in the classroom to promote high academic achievement and character development.

1700 S. Holly St. • Denver, CO 80222
(303) 759-2076 • <http://www.rmssel.org>

Southwest Early College (9-12)

Southwest Early College's (SEC) mission is to nurture within each student the knowledge, skills and desire to be an enthusiastically contributing member of a democratic society. As a small high school, SEC provides a world-class education in a personal, supportive atmosphere. As an early college high school, SEC students take college-level coursework leading to both a high school diploma and an associate degree.

3001 S. Federal Blvd. Box 114 • Denver, CO 80236
(303) 935-5473 • <http://www.secdenver.org>

Venture Prep (6-12)

Venture Prep enables a diverse group of students to achieve academic, social and career success in a small-school environment. Students will be knowledgeable in all core academic subjects including math, humanities, science, literacy and Spanish, with links to the world of business. Students will create and manage a real, operating company and be supported by a dedicated community of faculty and business mentors.

2540 Holly St. • Denver, CO 80207
(303) 893-0805 • <http://www.ventureprep.org>

DPS High Schools

See pages 22-23 to locate these schools on a map

Traditional and Magnet Programs

Abraham Lincoln High School (9-12)

2285 S. Federal Blvd.
Denver, CO 80219
(720) 423-5000

Bruce Randolph School (6-12)

3955 Steele St.
Denver, CO 80205
(720) 424-1080

CEC Middle College of Denver (9-12)

2650 Eliot St.
Denver, CO 80211
(720) 423-6600

Denver Center For International Studies (6-12)

574 W. 6th Ave.
Denver, CO 80204
(720) 423-9000

Denver School of the Arts (6-12)

7111 Montview Blvd.
Denver, CO 80220
(720) 424-1700

East High School (9-12)

1600 City Park Esplanade
Denver, CO 80206
(720) 423-8300

George Washington High School (9-12)

655 S. Monaco Pkwy.
Denver, CO 80224
(720) 423-8600

John F. Kennedy High School (9-12)

2855 S. Lamar St.
Denver, CO 80227
(720) 423-4300

Manual High School (9-10)

1700 E. 28th Ave.
Denver, CO 80205
(720) 423-6300

Martin Luther King, Jr. Early College (6-12)

19535 E. 46th Ave.
Denver, CO 80249-6637
(720) 424-0420

Montbello High School (9-12)

5000 Crown Blvd.
Denver, CO 80239
(720) 423-5700

North High School (9-12)

Main Campus
2960 N. Speer Blvd.
Denver, CO 80211
(720) 423-2700

Smedley Campus
4250 Shoshone St.
Denver, CO 80211
(303) 433-3321

South High School (9-12)

1700 E. Louisiana Ave.
Denver, CO 80210
(720) 423-6000

Thomas Jefferson High School (9-12)

3950 S. Holly St.
Denver, CO 80237
(720) 423-7000

West High School (9-12)

951 Elati St.
Denver, CO 80204
(720) 423-5300

Intensive & Multiple Pathways Schools

Contemporary Learning Academy High School (9-12)

2211 W. 27th Ave.
Denver, CO 80211
(720) 423-6900

Denver Online High School (9-12)

(720) 423-6690

Emily Griffith Opportunity School (17-21 yrs.)

1250 Welton St.
Denver, CO 80204
(720) 423-4700

Florence Crittenton (6-12)

96 S. Zuni St.
Denver, CO 80223
(303) 733-7686

GED Program

(16 1/2 - 21 yrs.)
2211 W. 27th Ave., Rm. 104
Denver, CO 80211
(303) 964-2983

Gilliam School (K-12)

2844 Downing St.
Denver, CO 80205
(303) 291-8930

Night High School (9-12)

2211 W. 27th Ave.
Denver, CO 80211
(303) 964-3071

P.R.E.P. Academy (6-12)

2727 Columbine St.
Denver, CO 80205
(720) 424-8451

Summit Academy

3001 S. Federal Blvd.
Denver, CO 80236
(720) 424-2400

Vista Academy

4800 Telluride St.
Denver, CO 80249
(720) 423-7600

MPC III

1690 Williams St.
Denver, CO 80218

Charter Schools

Academy of Urban Learning Charter School (10-12)

835 E. 18th Ave.
Denver, CO 80218
(303) 282-0900

Colorado High School Charter (10-12)

1175 Osage St. #100
Denver, CO 80204
(303) 892-8475

Community Challenge School (8-10)

948 Santa Fe Dr.
Denver, CO 80204
(303) 436-9588

Denver School of Science and Technology (6-12)

GVR Campus
4800 Telluride St.
Denver, CO 80249
(303) 524-6300

Stapleton Campus

2800 Valentia St.
Denver, CO 80238
(303) 320-5570

Escuela Tlatelolco (K-12)

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The Denver Scholarship Foundation helps Denver Public Schools students get accepted to, pay for and succeed in college. We offer college and financial aid advice to every DPS senior, and we provide scholarships to qualifying DPS graduates.

For more information and scholarship deadlines, visit your Future Center or denverscholarship.org

"Thanks to the advice and the scholarship I received from DSF, my dreams of becoming an international businessman are becoming more of a reality than a hope."

*Remberto Rivera, North High School, Class of 2008,
University of Colorado Denver*



DPS Main Phone Number (720) 423-3200
General Information

Student Records (720) 423-3555
Athletics (720) 423-4241
Board of Education (720) 423-3210
Charter Schools (720) 423-1234
Child Find (720) 423-8001
Communications Office (720) 423-3414
Donations (720) 424-8245
Early Childhood Education (720) 424-2639
Facility Use (720) 423-4201
Gifted & Talented (720) 423-8272
Home Schooling (720) 423-3552
Human Resource Help Desk (720) 423-3900
Kaleidoscope Corner (720) 424-8291
Magnet Schools (720) 423-3493
Office of Choice & Enrollment Services (720) 423-3493
Parent/Family Liaisons (720) 423-3054
Retirement System (303) 398-7699
Safety & Security (720) 423-3236
School Boundary Information (720) 423-3400
Special Education (720) 423-3437
Superintendent (720) 423-3300
Transportation Hotline (303) 825-2611
Volunteer Office (720) 424-8245
Weather & School Closures (720) 423-3200

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