



SHELBY COUNTY SCHOOLS

# OPTIONAL SCHOOLS

*Discover Your Options*



**2018-19**  
**Optional Schools Handbook**







***"I chose the Optional program for my child because of the quality of instruction and diversity of the student body. This unique combination provides an environment that enriches a student both academically and socially and prepares them for the challenges of adulthood."***

***"I love that my school is made up of a diverse student body and great teachers. I get to take advantage of tons of academic, athletic and extracurricular opportunities, and the AP class offerings exceed those of private schools."***

**Parent/Student**



# Optional Schools: Pursue the Possibilities

**No matter what your child's goals and interests are, you can find a great fit in one of our unique and competitive Optional programs. With 46 elementary, middle and high school programs across Shelby County, you can always find an Optional school close to you!**

Parents and family members,

If you are reading this letter, it is because you are taking an active role in your child's education. The search for your child's next educational experience is an extremely important step and an exciting experience.

If you are like me, then there are several core qualities you value most when searching for the perfect fit for your student: rigorous learning opportunities, caring and highly qualified teachers, a safe and nurturing environment, and a well-rounded school experience. The Optional Program at Shelby County Schools (SCS) offers all of the above.

I have had the joy and privilege of directing the Optional Program for over 30 years. Not a week passes without hearing from someone connected to the program – from former graduates thanking us for the challenging experiences that have helped lead them to successful degrees and careers to parents of new students who are simply amazed by the high-quality education available in our Optional schools free of tuition.

Our Optional schools cater to students' unique interests and learning styles and are renowned locally and across Tennessee. Specialized programs include Transportation-Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (T-STEM); College Prep; International Baccalaureate (IB); Dual Language Immersion; Montessori; Global Health Studies; Creative and Performing Arts; Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM); Engineering; International Studies; Information Technology and many more.

Optional programs foster an environment of high expectations where your child will learn beside classmates who are similarly driven to succeed. Every year, our students earn prestigious honors, competing against peers statewide, nationwide, and internationally. From Broadway productions to Presidential Scholarships, our students are cultivating the knowledge and skills to realize their dreams.

Every child has their own destination for learning and life, and I invite you to find that destination in one of our 46 Optional schools.

Come see what we have to offer. We look forward to meeting you and your child!

Sincerely,



Linda Sklar  
Director of Optional Schools and Advanced Academics  
Shelby County Schools

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# Schools by Grade Level & Program Type

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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- Brownsville Road (1-5)
- Cordova (1-5)
- Cummings (1-8)
- Delano (1-5)
- Double Tree (K-5)
- Douglass School (K-8)
- Downtown (1-5)
- John P. Freeman (1-8)
- Germantown (1-5)
- Grahamwood (1-5)
- Idlewild (K-5)
- Keystone (1-5)
- Oak Forest (1-5)
- Peabody (1-5)
- Riverwood (1-5)
- Rozelle (K-5)
- Sherwood (1-5)
- Snowden School (1-8)
- Springdale-Memphis Magnet (K-5)
- Treadwell (K-5)
- Vollentine (K-5)
- Whitehaven (1-5)
- Willow Oaks (1-5)

## MIDDLE SCHOOLS

- Bellevue (6-8)
- Colonial (6-8)
- Cordova (6-8)
- Craigmont (6-8)
- Cummings School (1-8)
- Douglass School (K-8)
- John P. Freeman (1-8)
- Germantown (6-8)
- Havenview (6-8)
- Ridgeway (6-8)
- Maxine Smith STEAM Academy (6-8)
- Snowden School (1-8)
- White Station (6-8)

## HIGH SCHOOLS

- Bolton (9-12)
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- Craigmont (9-12)
- Douglass (9-12)
- East (9-12)
- Germantown (9-12)
- Kingsbury (9-12)
- Overton (9-12)
- Ridgeway (9-12)
- Whitehaven (9-12)
- White Station (9-12)
- Wooddale (9-12)

## Arts & Academics

Colonial Middle

## Automotive/Information Technology/AGRI-STEM

Bolton High

## Business & Finance

Whitehaven High

## Chess & Communication Arts

Douglass School (K-8)

## College Prep

Bellevue Middle

Central High

Craigmont High (Intl. Studies)

East High (T-STEM)

John P. Freeman (1-8)

Germantown Middle

Snowden School (1-8)

Whitehaven High

White Station High

White Station Middle

Wooddale High

## Computer & Environmental Sciences

Cordova Middle

## Environmental Science/Community Service

Riverwood Elementary

## Computer Technology

Delano Elementary

## Creative and Performing Arts

Rozelle Elementary

Colonial Middle

Germantown High

Overton High

## Developing Masterful Mathematical Minds DM<sup>3</sup>

Cummings School (1-8)

## Dual Language Immersion

Treadwell Elementary

## Enriched Academics

Brewster Elementary (MAST)

Cordova Elementary

Downtown Elementary

John P. Freeman (1-8)

Grahamwood Elementary

Keystone Elementary (SET)

Sherwood Elementary

Snowden School (1-8)

Willow Oaks Elementary

## Exploratory Learning

Springdale-Memphis Magnet Elementary

## Global Health Studies

Kingsbury High

## Hospitality & Tourism

Wooddale High

## International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme

Bolton High

Germantown High

Ridgeway High

## International Baccalaureate Schools

Balmoral-Ridgeway Elementary

Oak Forest Elementary

Ridgeway Middle

## International Studies

Brownsville Road Elementary

Germantown Elementary

Peabody Elementary

Craigmont Middle

Craigmont High

## Montessori/Technology

Double Tree Elementary

## Chess &

## Communication Arts

Douglass High

## Science & Technology

Idlewild Elementary

## Science Exploration

Vollentine Elementary

## STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math)

Whitehaven Elementary

## STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math)

Havenview Middle

Maxine Smith STEAM Academy

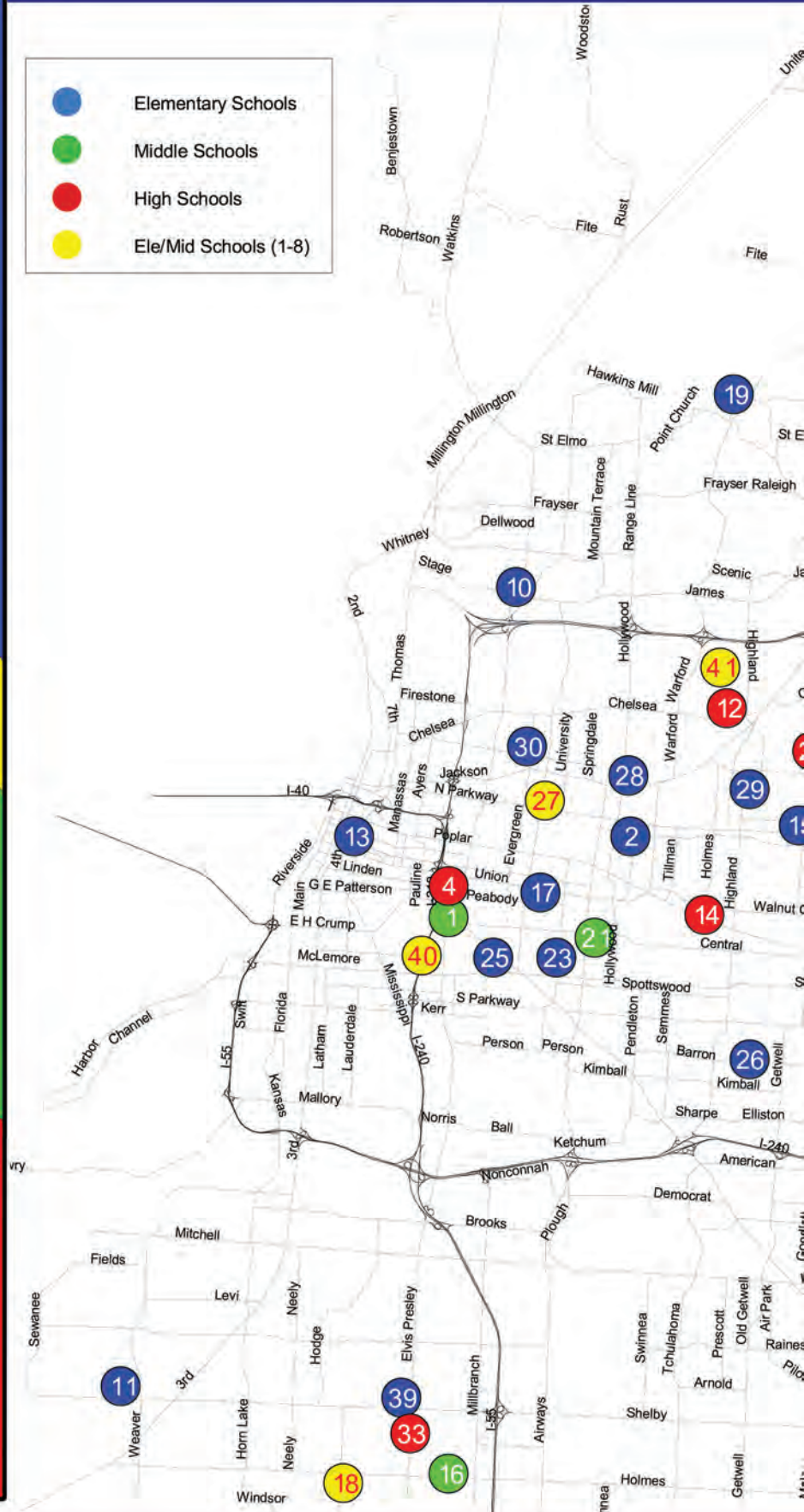
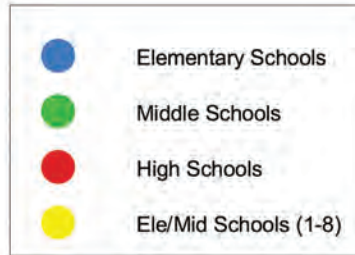
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East High



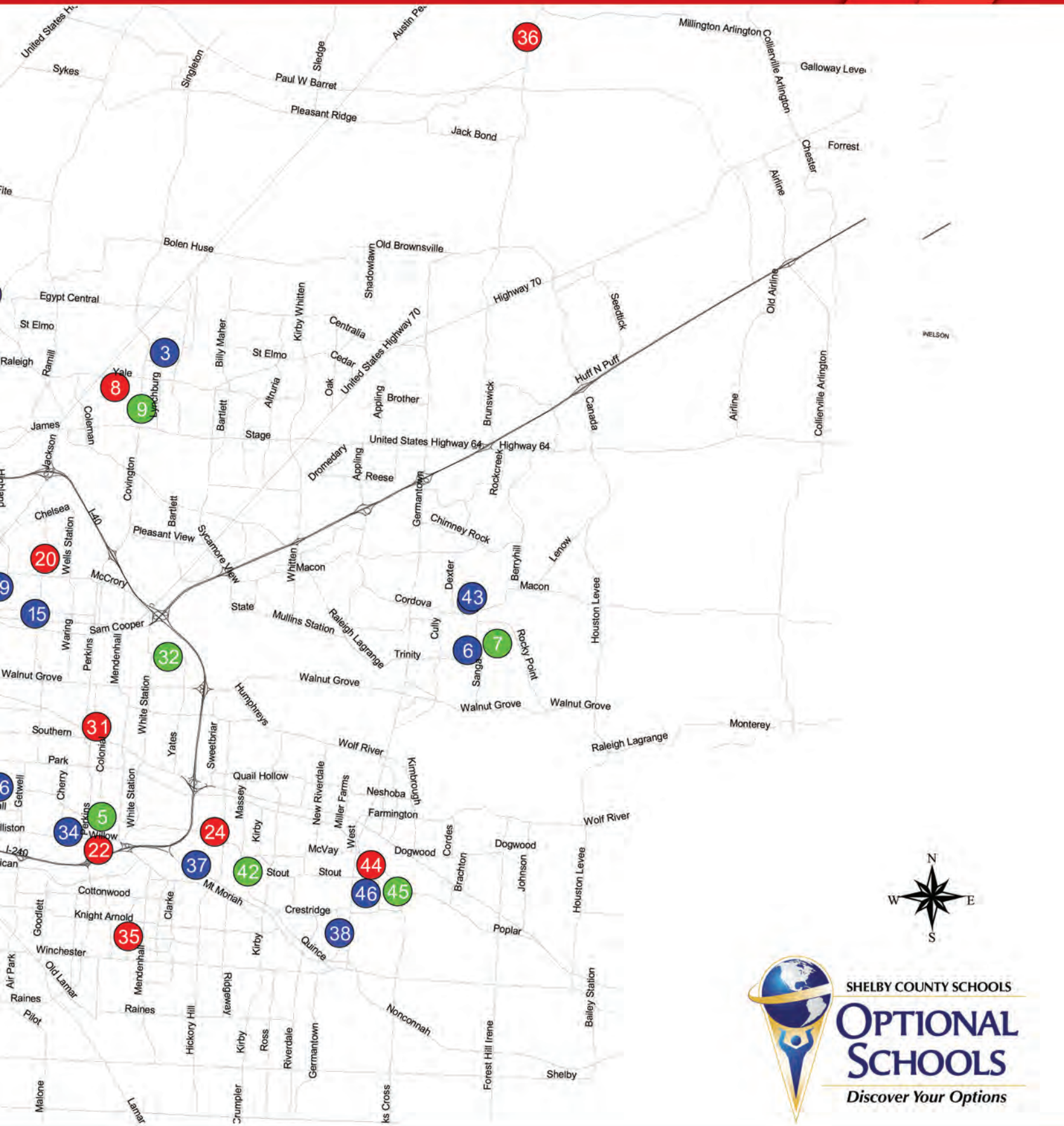
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6	Cordova Elem.	1-5
10	Delano	1-5
11	Double Tree	K-5
13	Downtown	1-5
15	Grahamwood	1-5
17	Idlewild	K-5
19	Keystone	1-5
23	Peabody	1-5
25	Rozelle	K-5
26	Sherwood Elem.	1-5
28	Springdale	K-5
29	Treadwell Elem.	K-5
30	Vollentine	K-5
34	Willow Oaks	1-5
37	Balmoral Ridgeway	1-5
38	Oak Forest	1-5
39	Whitehaven	1-5
43	Riverwood	1-5
46	Germantown	1-5
18	John P. Freeman	1-8
27	Snowden	1-8
40	Cummings	1-8
41	Douglass	K-8
1	Bellevue Middle	6-8
5	Colonial	6-8
7	Cordova Middle	6-8
9	Craigmont Middle	6-8
16	Havenview Middle	6-8
21	Maxine Smith STEAM Academy	6-8
32	White Station Middle	6-8
42	Ridgeway Middle	6-8
45	Germantown Middle	6-8
4	Central High	9-12
8	Craigmont High	9-12
12	Douglass High	9-11
14	East High	9-12
20	Kingsbury High	9-12
22	Overton High	9-12
24	Ridgeway High	9-12
31	White Station High	9-12
33	Whitehaven High	9-12
35	Wooddale High	9-12
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# Optional Program Locations



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***“The Optional School program allows my children to grow with their classmates and keeps track of their progress through the years. This program is shaping my children into strong lifelong learners with the ability take on any challenge.”***

**Parent**





***"My students are challenged to guide the learning process, which makes them more involved and vested and inculcates a sense of responsibility. They're expected to rise to a high level of academic excellence, which is absolutely thrilling. The program also encourages a community of diversity."***

**Teacher**



With our dynamic elementary International Baccalaureate Programme, our students get a one-of-a-kind global education.



**Our skilled teachers challenge our young scholars to ask questions and seek knowledge. We teach students how to be respectful citizens and equip them with the skills to impact the world around them.**

### Points of Pride

- One of two elementary schools that offers an IB education. Our students are able to excel in the middle IB Middle Years and IB Diploma Programmes.
- We are one of four elementary schools with early access to world language.
- Nine students were selected to participate in the annual ARTS Fest showcasing their musical and artistic talents.
- We achieved Level 5 TVAAS growth rating in Early Grades Literacy and Numeracy as recorded on the 2017 State Report Card.

### Academics

- Balmoral-Ridgeway promotes the education of the whole child, integrating academic, cultural and global elements into a challenging curriculum.
- IB students explore world beliefs, values and relationships; personal and world history; forms of communication; the interdependence of people and other living things; the impact of technology on societies and science; and world laws and economics.
- We offer C.L.U.E. for academically gifted students

### Activities

- Musical Programs: Choir, Orchestra and Recorder Ensemble
- Enrichment Clubs: Art, Girls in Pearls, Boys II Men, STEM and Roadrunner Book Club
- Student Leadership Opportunities: Student Council, Peer Mediation, Safety Patrol and Beta Club.
- Athletic Programs: Award Winning Cheerleading Squad and Basketball.
- Kitchen Garden Community allows students to plant, grow, harvest and cook vegetables and herbs.

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[www.SCSK12.org/BalmoralRidgewayElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/BalmoralRidgewayElementary)  
(901) 416-2128 | 5905 GROSVENOR AVE., MEMPHIS, TN 38119



Located in the heart of midtown, we are one of Memphis' premier middle schools for advanced academics and championship caliber athletics.



**With the highest expectations for every child, our students graduate ready to excel in high school. Our students take on a rigorous curriculum while building the confidence to be leaders in their community.**

### Points of Pride

- We rank among the top three percent of all middle schools in the District.
- Academics are reinforced through service projects. Our students worked alongside cancer researchers at St. Jude and helped raise money for the cause.
- We have award-winning All West orchestra, choir and band programs.
- We award a scholarship for service and leadership every year to current and former Bellevue students.



### Academics

- Our Highly Qualified and National Board Certified teachers prepare students for advanced high school courses and college prep classes.
- We offer intensive math and science programs, as well as, high school credits in algebra, physical science, Spanish and Russian.
- We offer C.L.U.E. for eligible students.
- We provide a challenging, safe and nurturing environment that supports all student needs.

### Activities

- Students showcase their STEM knowledge in robotics and Science Olympiad programs.
- We emphasize college- and career-readiness with career days and college tours.
- We teach our students to impact their community through Beta Club, National Junior Honor Society and Student Council.
- We offer visual and performing arts, as well as debate and WordSmith teams.
- We offer a wide variety of boys and girls sports, with city and state champions in baseball, basketball, football, track and volleyball.

**BELLEVUE MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)**  
ENRICHED ACADEMICS / COLLEGE PREPARATORY

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/BellevueMiddle](http://www.SCSK12.org/BellevueMiddle)

(901) 416-4488 | 575 S. BELLEVUE BLVD., MEMPHIS, TN 38104





We are a destination for career-minded scholars with cutting-edge Automotive Technology/IT/Agri-STEM programs.



**Our graduates are ready to succeed in the fast-growing AT and IT career fields. Our students take intensive, interactive courses and receive hands-on training from today's industry professionals using modern tools and technology.**

### Points of Pride

- AT and IT students are accepted into the most competitive engineering, automotive and computer science schools.
- Upon completion of the AT program, students earn college credit by way of articulation agreements from TN colleges.
- Students earned the highest written test scores in the state when they participated in competitions through the nationally recognized SkillsUSA organization.
- A consortium of partners will support development of an Agri-STEM exemplar program at Bolton High School.

### Academics

- AT students learn key concepts needed for a lucrative career in the auto field, such as general electrical systems, batteries, lighting and more.
- AT students study safety, tools, equipment, shop operations, engine fundamentals and basic technical skills.
- Agri-STEM students will participate in educational opportunities to prepare them to be successful in post-secondary career and educational endeavors in STEM careers with a particular focus on the agriculture industry.
- With our partnership with The Kitchen Community, we maintain a year round garden for planting, maintenance, harvesting, and greenhouse experiences.

### Activities

- The 'BoltBots' Robotics Club builds small and large robots and participates in community activities and competitions.
- Our students qualify to compete in SkillsUSA regional, state and national finals.
- Bolton teams traveled to Las Vegas and competed in the Specialty Equipment Manufacturers Show national finals for the past three years.
- Extracurricular events, such as career expos, field trips and industry internships will be part of the proposed Agri-STEM model to expand real-world context and engage students in further exploration of agriculture careers.

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[www.SCSK12.org/BoltonHighATIT](http://www.SCSK12.org/BoltonHighATIT)



(901) 416-1877 | 7323 BRUNSWICK RD., ARLINGTON, TN 38002

**BOLTON HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)**  
AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY/INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/AGRI-STEM





Our college-focused students get a competitive edge in our globally recognized International Baccalaureate Programme.



Our students are challenged to be critical thinkers who can succeed and lead in a competitive world. Our rigorous classes and diverse campus give students the skills and awareness needed to enter college and careers with confidence.

### Points of Pride

- 100 percent of our IB students graduate on time. Our high acceptance rates into Honors colleges and prestigious universities reflect our culture of lifelong learning.
- We offer an outstanding Fine Arts Program with award-winning vocal, instrumental, theatrical and visual arts concentrations.
- Our students earn millions of dollars in college scholarships.
- Student community service includes: GoJimGo, Make-A-Wish, Habitat for Humanity, Mid-South Food Bank, Community Garden Initiative, Toys for Tots, Walk for Water and Links of Luv.

### Academics

- IB students post average ACT scores of 30, qualifying them for top scholarships at top-tier colleges of their choice.
- Spanish language and cultural immersion results in the development of bilingual students.
- Honors, AP and Pre-IB courses start in the ninth grade in preparation for the rigorous IB Diploma Programme curriculum for juniors and seniors.
- National Honor Society, Beta Club, Art Honor Societies, Language Societies and the 30-Plus Club recognize students for academic achievement and service.

### Activities

- Exceptional time management and critical thinking skills permit students to develop both academically and as leaders in the school.
- Volunteerism is the heartbeat of our IB Programme. Global-minded students create and initiate service projects.
- Mentoring activities are provided by IB student leaders to Bolton students as well as students from neighborhood feeder schools.
- Boys and girls compete in 10 TSSAA sports.
- IB students are campus leaders in student government, athletics, fine arts and community outreach.

**BOLTON HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)**  
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE WORLD SCHOOL

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**

[www.SCSK12.org/BoltonHighIB](http://www.SCSK12.org/BoltonHighIB)

(901) 416-1877 | 7323 BRUNSWICK RD., ARLINGTON, TN 38002





We offer enriched academics in mathematics, arts, science and technology (M.A.S.T.) in the Midtown arts district.



We provide our students with a strong foundation in academics and the arts to foster a love of learning to inspire their success at Brewster and beyond. Our location in the budding arts community adds excitement to everyday learning.

### Points of Pride

- District-wide Science Fair winners
- All-City Choral Festival
- Championship basketball team
- Kitchen Garden and Outdoor Classroom
- Broadway-style musicals
- Monarch Butterfly Waystation
- State-of-the-art science lab

### Academics

- Students are taught to think critically as they experience our integrated academic M.A.S.T. program of math, arts, science and technology.
- C.L.U.E. for eligible students in all grades
- Our cross-curricular approach to teaching is characterized by a synthesis of knowledge, skills and understandings from various subject areas.
- Our students apply hands-on learning and technology in their classroom experiences as they enhance studies of multiple cultures.

### Activities

- Art Club
- Urban Garden Club
- Math/Science Club
- National Elementary Honor Society
- Beacons of Light Choir
- String orchestra
- On-site ballet classes
- Enriched before/after care



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[www.SCSK12.org/BrewsterElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/BrewsterElementary)

(901) 416-7155 | 2605 SAM COOPER BLVD., MEMPHIS, TN 38112





We develop innovative and culturally compassionate lifelong learners through international studies.



Our students gain global awareness in an internationally enriched academic environment. Students are involved in project-based learning that fosters collaboration and discovery of global cultures.

### Points of Pride

- Our International Studies Showcase included performances written and produced by students. Students brought notable global figures to life through an interactive museum.
- We are a host site for City Year, which offers mentoring, tutoring and enrichment opportunities for students.
- Our C.L.U.E. students placed second in our region in the Tri-State Robotics competitions.
- Brownsville Road is a National Junior Beta School of Distinction 2017-2018.

### Academics

- Global awareness is developed as students complete an in-depth exploration of various countries. Each grade level learns about the customs, cultures and languages of a specific country.
- Inquiry-based lessons assist in developing student research and communication skills.
- Our library features an International Library Center, providing students tools to sharpen their research skills.
- We offer C.L.U.E. for academically gifted students.

### Activities

- We offer a variety of musical programs: strings, guitar, piano, orchestra and recorder ensembles.
- Enrichment clubs: Scrabble, Book, Art, Garden and Media
- Student leadership opportunities: Student Council, Peer Mediation and Safety Patrol
- Social and collegiate clubs: Gents Club and Girl World
- Our Kitchen Community Learning Garden provides students the opportunity to plant, grow, harvest and cook vegetables and herbs.

**BROWNSVILLE ROAD ELEMENTARY (1-5)**  
ENRICHED ACADEMICS / INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

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[www.SCSK12.org/BrownsvilleRoadElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/BrownsvilleRoadElementary)

(901) 416-4300 | 5292 BANBURY, MEMPHIS, TN 38135





Known as "THE High School," parents choose Central for the highest level of academic, personal & professional success.

# CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

COLLEGE PREPARATORY



**Our stimulating and competitive College Preparatory Optional program leads students to top scholarships and prestigious college acceptance. Our high standards and diverse interests prepare students to compete in the real world.**

## Points of Pride

- We are large enough to offer the variety you want and small enough for everyone to have a true family atmosphere.
- 70 percent of our teachers have a Master's degree or higher.
- Our students have accepted over \$30 million in scholarships over the last five years.
- We have two National Merit Semifinalists and 29 AP Scholars.



## Academics

- We offer more than 40 honors, Dual Credit, Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement courses for students.
- We are in partnership with The University of Memphis and Methodist University Hospital to offer a focus in health sciences and nursing.
- Our law program is bolstered by a partnership with the University of Memphis Law School.
- We offer multiple world languages, including Spanish, French, Latin and Russian.

## Activities

- We educate the whole child, with over 100 extracurricular programs to match all interests.
- We're the three-time AAA Boys State Track Champions.
- We're a Facing History and Ourselves demonstration school with student-led facilitators.
- We have a national award-winning Creative and Performing Arts program, including recent honors from the GRAMMY Foundation and *The New York Times*.
- We've had a Four-Star Student Council for 20 years.

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/CentralHighSchool](http://www.SCSK12.org/CentralHighSchool)

(901) 416-8414 | 306 S. BELLEVUE BLVD., MEMPHIS, TN 38104





"All the world is a stage" for Colonial Middle School's diverse population of artists, performers, explorers and scholars!



**Our students explore the arts and perform on stages across the country and around the world. Cultures are brought to life through enriched instruction in the classroom and exciting learning experiences beyond.**

### Points of Pride

- Our Optional Creative and Performing Arts program wins more awards than any middle school in Memphis.
- Our CAPA students earn top prizes in the National Scholastic Art and Writing Awards.
- With a tradition of excellence, our CAPA students perform in local, national and international festivals and consistently receive Superior ratings and first place awards.
- The CAPA Virtuosi Partnership with Memphis Symphony Orchestra is exclusively for Colonial students.

### Academics

- Our Enriched Academics program offers arts-based education that is relevant, authentic and fun!
- C.L.U.E. and STEM are offered for eligible students, and Physical Science, Honors Spanish I and Algebra I are offered for high school credit.
- Arts integration, projects, debates, student presentations and competitions help to enhance the rigor of core subjects.
- We promote teamwork, collaborative learning and problem-solving skills, which challenges students to apply creative thinking to real-world problems.

### Activities

- Athletics include football, volleyball, soccer, basketball, softball, baseball, swimming, cheerleading, track and field, majorettes and a step team.
- Out-of-town grade level trips and CAPA department trips happen each year.
- Leadership programs include Student Officers, Honor Society, Student Council, Best Buddies, Peer Mediators, Bi-Lingual Ambassadors, Student Tour Guides and the CAPA Elite.
- Creative & Performing Arts (CAPA) programs include art, band, choir, creative writing, dance, drama, orchestra and piano.

COLONIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)  
ARTS AND ACADEMICS

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/ColonialMiddleSchool](http://www.SCSK12.org/ColonialMiddleSchool)  
(901) 416-5247 | 1370 COLONIAL, MEMPHIS, TN 38117





Families in Cordova choose our diverse and lively Enriched Academics Optional program for excellence in education.



We inspire and motivate our students to think critically and meet challenges head on so they become confident leaders and learners. Every interest is met with academic competitions, STEM clubs, athletics, technology, art, music & more.

### Points of Pride

- Learning Garden outdoor classroom designed and manufactured by the Kitchen Community as part of the national Learning Garden initiative
- Award winning FIRST® LEGO® League competitive robotics teams
- Dedicated teachers have earned over \$50,000 in grants for technology and learning materials.
- Exceptional Orff music program represented in the WGTMEA Festival Chorus, All-City Concert, Cordova Night at the Memphis Grizzlies, Side by Side concert with the Memphis Symphony Orchestra and school-wide performances.

### Academics

- Caring and dedicated teachers who nurture curiosity and creativity and support academic and emotional growth of students
- C.L.U.E. for eligible students in all grades
- Strong partnerships with parents
- Nationally recognized computer literacy instruction for all students
- STEM opportunities, including science inquiry, coding and math challenges
- Academic awards and competitions, including Scripps National Spelling Bee and Accelerated Reader

### Activities

- With a strong focus on U.S. and world geography, our school hosts a Geography Club and our students participate in the National Geographic Bee.
- Students enjoy computer coding and robot programming experience in our intermediate computer classes and specialized FIRST® LEGO® League and Junior FLL robotics teams.
- Enriching activities, such as drama, chorus, gymnastics, chess, piano, strings, robotics, Geo Club and the SECME Science Club ensure our students are well-rounded.

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!



[www.SCSK12.org/CordovaElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/CordovaElementary)

(901) 416-1700 | 750 SANGA RD., CORDOVA, TN 38018





We are the heartbeat of Cordova! Our innovative learning inspires pride and excellence in our well-rounded scholars.



With an invigorating focus on enriched academics and computer/environmental sciences, Cordova Middle engages today's learners in exhilarating tasks that fuel analytical thinking, effective communication and great collaboration.

### Points of Pride

- 2016-17 Sustainable Schools Challenge Certified: Silver Level
- Top honors in University of Memphis' 2017 STEM Competition
- Rain Garden recipient
- 2017 Ole Miss Choral Festival, Excellent Ratings
- 2016-17 West TN Concert Festival, Superior & Excellent Ratings
- 2017 Runners-up in TMSAA Boys' Track & Field Class AA and SCIAA Girls' Soccer

### Academics

- High school credits in Algebra I, Spanish I and Physical Science
- Innovative environmental and computer science courses
- C.L.U.E. gifted program in all grades for eligible students
- Multiple honors and enriched classes
- Exciting STEM instruction, Environmental Ecology Lab and Recycling Center
- Vocal music, orchestra, band, art and Spanish
- Technology-driven learning

### Activities

- Over 25 after-school clubs, including robotics, drama, debate and culinary arts
- National Junior Honor Society, Student Council and Beta Club
- Yearbook and newspaper
- Basketball, soccer, volleyball, football, track, baseball and softball
- Cheer squad
- Technology Student Association
- Energy Club
- Girls'/Boys' Basketball
- Girls'/Boys' Soccer

**CORDOVA MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)**  
 ENRICHED ACADEMICS / ENVIRONMENTAL AND COMPUTER SCIENCES

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/CordovaMiddle](http://www.SCSK12.org/CordovaMiddle)  
 (901) 416-2189 | 900 SANGA RD., CORDOVA, TN 38018





Our College Prep program for International Studies leads students to the degrees and careers that are in demand.

# CRAIGMONT HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

COLLEGE PREPARATORY / INTERNATIONAL STUDIES



Our intensive curriculum and small class sizes allow students to be immersed in world cultures and gain the interpersonal experiences needed to succeed in a diverse and ever-changing global society.

## Points of Pride

- Our optional students have represented Memphis in May in Turkey, Chile, Sweden, Panama, Poland and Canada.
- The class of 2016 exceeded \$6 million in scholarships, including a Gates Millennium Scholar and an appointment to the U.S. Military Academy.
- CHS students compete nationally, including Sea Perch, robotics, debate, culinary arts and Future Business Leaders of America.



## Academics

- Our optional curriculum focuses on intensive English, social studies and foreign language courses.
- Science and math are emphasized in our STEM and AVID programs.
- All students can earn college credit in Advanced Placement (AP) & Dual Enrollment college courses.
- Our teachers prepare students for college and beyond by challenging students to become critical thinkers and high-achieving scholars.

## Activities

- **Academic Excellence:** National Honor Society, debate, mock trial, robotics, knowledge bowl, French and Spanish clubs
- **Fine Arts:** Orchestra, band, choir, visual art, yearbook and dance team
- **Professional Organizations:** SkillsUSA, FCCLA, FBLA and Microsoft certification
- **Athletics:** Boys and girls athletic teams

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/CraigmontHigh](http://www.SCSK12.org/CraigmontHigh)

(901) 416-4312 | 3333 COVINGTON PIKE, MEMPHIS, TN 38128





We prepare students to compete in a global society as the city's only middle school International Studies program.



**Our enriched academics equip students to successfully manage the rigors of high school and begin the journey toward college and careers. Our International Studies program teaches students to excel in a diverse and competitive world.**

### Points of Pride

- Scholars have the opportunity to communicate and collaborate with students in other countries through the use of technology.
- We are proud of our award-winning chess and debate teams.
- Partnerships with Memphis in May and Africa in April enhance our school.
- Scholars culminate the year with an international trip in May. This year's trip is to Canada.
- Award -winning robotics team competes nationally.

### Academics

- Optional students participate in rigorous content that prepares them for advanced placement courses and Honors classes in high school.
- C.L.U.E. is available for eligible students.
- Teachers are highly qualified and hold numerous advanced degrees, including National Board Certification.
- Eighth grade students complete a challenging, yet fulfilling year-long Capstone project that focuses on various countries.

### Activities

- Annual International Festival, with multi-cultural exhibitions of art, food, dance and demonstrations.
- Annual Taste-of-Craigmont Festival showcases holiday celebrations and cultures.
- Students serve as Scholar Ambassadors and Peer Mediators.
- Beta Club and National Junior Honor Society for eligible students.
- Monthly celebrations highlighting various cultures.

**CRAIGMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)**  
ENRICHED ACADEMICS / INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/CraigmontMiddle](http://www.SCSK12.org/CraigmontMiddle)

(901) 416-9911 | 3455 COVINGTON PIKE, MEMPHIS, TN 38128





We are an award-winning school that is “Building Minds and Shaping Destinies” while developing a love for mathematics.



Our optional program, “Developing Masterful Mathematical Minds (DM<sup>3</sup>),” equips all students with a firm academic foundation that prepares them for opportunities in lucrative degree and career fields.

# CUMMINGS SCHOOL (1-8)

ENRICHED ACADEMICS

## Points of Pride

- The state recognized Cummings as 2014-15 National Title I Distinguished School for closing achievement gaps.
- We are a 2016-17 Kitchen Community Learning Garden winner. The dynamic outdoor classroom strengthens students' academic skills in all content areas with a hands-on learning experience as they produce an edible garden.
- We have an innovative Literacy Lab, “RUSH-Read Until Something Happens,” that promotes reading and literary creativity.
- We serve as a laboratory school for LeMoyne-Owen College and Rhodes College.

## Academics

- Our collaborative learning environment promotes problem-solving skills through mathematical ideas.
- We offer exciting computer science instruction with mobile app development, computer coding, drone programming and building robots in our Building Box. Building Box is an outdoor tech classroom.
- We foster exploration through field trips, hands-on projects and community speakers to ignite a passion to pursue STEM careers.
- Through our thriving new partnership with REACH Memphis, our students are motivated to reach their highest potential.

## Activities

- Boys and girls compete in track, cross country, basketball and cheerleading.
- Leadership opportunities include Student Council, National Elementary/Junior High Honor Society, Chi Alpha Mu, Beta Club, MLG&W Weekend Academy, Guys in Ties, Charmettes, Junior Optimist International Club, Debate Team, Majorettes, Dance Class, Eaglette Dance Team, Step Team, Drum Squad and Marching Soul Band.
- We provide over 15 clubs and organizations designed to enrich total academic and social development of our students.

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!



[www.SCSK12.org/CummingsSchool](http://www.SCSK12.org/CummingsSchool)

(901) 416-3629 | 1037 CUMMINGS, MEMPHIS, TN 38106





In the Frayser community we are the only nationally recognized elementary school for advanced academics.



With the highest expectations for every child, we inspire excellence and confidence in every area of learning and life. Our nurturing teachers deliver innovative technology lessons using state-of-the-art equipment and facilities.

### Points of Pride

- We are a national NCLB Blue Ribbon School.
- We are ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in the district for English Language Arts performance.
- We are a three-time national Let's Move! Active School winner.
- We exceeded the state average in ELA and Math on TNReady.
- Delano students produce daily news on Delano Television Broadcast (DTV-Student News).
- We are a Title I Distinguished School for Exceptional Student Performance.

### Academics

- Students are prepared to compete in a technology-driven workforce through extensive hands-on learning experiences using computers and digital media.
- C.L.U.E. (Creative Learning in a Unique Environment) is available for eligible students.
- Students have the unique opportunity to produce a daily live news broadcast in our in-house television studio.
- Technology is integrated school-wide with a wide array of learning experiences to ensure students acquire the technological literacy needed to succeed in college and careers.

### Activities

- Delano Television Broadcast (DTV-Student News)
- National Junior Beta Club
- Arts Program (Performing Band, Strings, ORFF, graphic arts, and chorus)
- Tuition piano classes
- Before/after-school program
- Enrichment clubs
- Accelerated Reader
- Award winning community service projects
- Robotics Club

DELANO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (1-5)  
COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!



[www.SCSK12.org/DelanoElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/DelanoElementary)

(901) 416-3932 | 1716 DELANO AVE., MEMPHIS, TN 38127





**Our Program Focus: Public Montessori education (K-3)  
with Technology Enhanced Learning schoolwide.**



**Recognized by the American Montessori Society, we are a public school Montessori program with private school options for your child's individualized learning. Student-centered learning, discovery and leadership are priority!**

### **Points of Pride**

- One of only seven schools starting the Optional program at KK and the only public Montessori School in the SCS district
- Recipient of the RiverArtsFest Special Resource Arts Grants for 2016 and 2017
- Through our partnership with The Kitchen Community, our existing Peace Garden was updated. Our outdoor learning space is designed with concrete pavers, natural shading and raised beds with benches and boulders for seating.
- 40 years educating children as the first public Montessori school in Tennessee.

### **Academics**

- We emphasize individualized and child-centered learning. C.L.U.E. is available for eligible students.
- Open space design creates a family atmosphere where teachers and students collaborate daily.
- Multi-age classes have Montessori certified teachers, one assistant and specialized materials for hands-on learning.
- Supported by classroom Tech Zones, laptops, SMART Boards, the Montessori Digital Den and Media Center
- Students receive extra support from Montessori trained assistants in grades K-2 and from school day tutors in grades 3-5.

### **Activities**

- Student leadership programs are Student Council, Digital Dolphins, Honor Society, Character Education, Lunch & Learn Mentoring Series and Class Ambassadors.
- Student interest options are choir, majorette/dance/step groups, athletic club, art club, book club, gardening, drama guild, percussion, recorder, and class piano.
- Each student attends weekly classes of health/physical education, Orff Music, visual arts and library.
- Extended care program on site from 6AM - 6PM offers homework support, art and health/physical activity programs.

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/DoubleTreeMontessoriSchool](http://www.SCSK12.org/DoubleTreeMontessoriSchool)

(901) 416-8144 | 4560 DOUBLE TREE, MEMPHIS, TN 38109





North Memphis pride starts at Douglass High! Our Optional program propels students to graduation and success beyond.



**Douglass High is the place where leaders are developed and scholars are cultivated. Our dedicated faculty strives to create challenging and engaging learning communities that foster authentic learning in every classroom.**

### Points of Pride

- Our school continues to show significant growth in literacy, science and math. We are proud to have a Level 5 rating in all academic areas.
- Our Optional students benefit from a number of unique activities designed not only to enhance their overall education, but also expose them to real world situations.
- 69% of seniors in the class of 2017 were accepted into the college or university of their choice.

### Academics

- We have set high academic standards for our students, and our goals are met through hands-on, expert instruction.
- Course offerings extend beyond the school's Optional focus for Chess and Communication Arts.
- Our students have the opportunity to enroll in Honors, Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement courses.
- Our knowledgeable teaching staff embraces diversity and maintains a culture of pride and respect for every student's individual interests and abilities.

### Activities

- We offer a vast selection of programs, clubs and opportunities to promote social and personal development.
- Students in our chess program compete on a national level and rank among the best chess players in the country.
- The Douglass JROTC Battalion consistently ranks among the top JROTC programs in Shelby County.
- Our orchestra benefits from a partnership with Memphis Music Initiative, connecting students to the larger Memphis music community.



**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/DouglassHighSchool](http://www.SCSK12.org/DouglassHighSchool)

(901) 416-6149 | 3200 MT. OLIVE RD., MEMPHIS, TN 38108



**DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)**  
CHESS AND COMMUNICATION ARTS





Excellence is the expectation every day at Douglass K-8 Optional School. Our students get the foundation they need to be successful learners and leaders.

# DOUGLASS SCHOOL (K-8)

CHESS AND COMMUNICATION ARTS



Douglass K-8 is the first school in Tennessee to create an innovative learning community that integrates chess and core academics. Our nationally recognized Optional program is designed to create a community of perpetual learners.

## Points of Pride

- We are a Level 5 school demonstrating some of the highest levels of growth in the state.
- Our school's orchestra received Superior and Excellent ratings for solo and ensemble performances.
- Our chess team has competed internationally with a team in Poland (via Skype).
- Our compassionate students are an integral component and positive force in the community raising funds for Go-Jim-Go, Susan G. Komen and collecting cans for Feed the Needy.
- Our innovative teachers have requested and received grants to expand the classroom resource materials.

## Academics

- C.L.U.E. is available for eligible students.
- Our Optional Chess focus trains students as young as kindergarten to utilize higher-order thinking and advance as readers.
- Our Communications Arts program focuses on the skills needed to become college and career ready. It provides our students with the strategies needed to become productive researchers, organizers and persuasive writers.
- The A.V.I.D. (Advancement Via Individual Determination) Curriculum strengthens our college and career focus and high school preparedness.

## Activities

- Douglass believes in nurturing the whole child, and we offer a myriad of extracurricular opportunities that allow students to explore their interests.

### We offer the following:

- National Junior Honor Society
- Chess Club
- Competitive Chess League
- Debate Team
- Student Government
- Orchestra
- Class Piano
- Cheerleading
- Girls volleyball & basketball
- Boys basketball
- Track & field

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/DouglassSchool](http://www.SCSK12.org/DouglassSchool)

(901) 416-5946 | 1650 ASH ST., MEMPHIS, TN 38108





Using Downtown as a "living laboratory," our cutting-edge Optional program prepares students for the modern world.



**Our students learn from local politicians, professors, doctors, architects and business leaders who work Downtown and partner with our school. Our students are using state-of-the-art technology every day in our classrooms.**

### Points of Pride

- We are a Reward school for being in the Top 5 percent of TN schools for student growth.
- We received the state's top student growth rating (Level 5).
- We are a National Jr. Beta Club School of Distinction.
- We are a Let's Move! Active Schools national awardee.
- Many of our students go on to be top performers in middle and high school and gain acceptance into top colleges and universities.
- Most of our teachers have advanced degrees and four are National Board Certified.

### Academics

- Our Optional curriculum is designed to maximize learning experiences, enhancing the academic and social development of our students.
- C.L.U.E. is available for eligible students.
- Optional students attend enriched classes in language arts, social studies, math and science.
- Optional classes feature challenging and creative activities that require students to utilize higher-level thinking skills.

### Activities

- ENCORE classes include Orff music, art, computer technology, physical education and orchestra.
- We offer before-/after-school care, Spanish, Taekwondo, dance, soccer, piano, basketball and architecture.
- Our partners provide tutoring, mentoring, sponsor clubs, etc.
- Partners include The University of Memphis Law School, UT Medical School and others. Students are able to explore law, engineering, economics and many other topics.

**DOWNTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (1-5)**  
ENRICHED ACADEMICS / SOCIAL STUDIES

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/DowntownElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/DowntownElementary)

(901) 416-8400 | 10 NORTH FOURTH ST., MEMPHIS, TN 38103





Our NEW, one-of-a-kind T-STEM Optional program at East High is a pipeline to cutting-edge careers in high demand!



Fueled by prominent business, university and community partners, we offer world class STEM instruction along with exciting internships and experiences in Memphis' globally renowned tech-driven transportation industry.

# EAST HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

COLLEGE PREPARATORY / T-STEM / DIESEL TECHNOLOGY

## Points of Pride

- Newly renovated, state-of-the-art STEM facility with advanced technology to support rigorous learning

Our industry partners help design curriculum, learning projects, internships and other college and career experiences:

- University of Memphis
- FedEx
- West Tennessee STEM Hub
- Cummins
- City of Memphis
- Southeast Transportation Workforce Center
- AutoZone
- Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals
- Workforce Investment Network
- Institute of Transportation Engineers

## Academics

- Unique course offerings include AP, Honors, STEM Virtual and Dual Enrollment options for all students 9-12.
- All incoming freshmen take at least one Engineering course every day.
- T-STEM serves as the evening and Saturday laboratory space for the district's innovative STEM Virtual School.
- The FedEx Flight Academy simulator lab helps prepare students to earn a private pilot's license for free.
- All classes are taught in an interactive, block-scheduling environment.
- During the Genius Hour, students develop and create passion projects about topics that interest them most.

## Activities

- Peer Power tutoring and mentoring is facilitated by area college students and offered to all students.
- Monthly CEO Speaker Series features prominent regional executives.
- East High School's football team and boys' basketball team both won state championships in 2016-17.
- Boys' basketball team is ranked #1 nationally for 2017-18.
- In their first ever season, the girls' soccer team advanced to the sectionals.
- Job shadowing and unique internships are offered through our partnerships.
- Clubs include robotics, drone racing, student government and Technology Student Assistance (TSA).

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!



[www.memphisstemacademy.org](http://www.memphisstemacademy.org)



(901) 416-6200 | 3206 POPLAR AVE., MEMPHIS, TN 38111





Panthers are leaders, scholars and innovators in their school and community!



Located in the heart of Whitehaven, our award-winning Optional program consistently exceeds state standards for academic achievement and growth. We strive to create the foundation for excellence in high school and beyond.

### Points of Pride

- 2008 and 2016 National Blue Ribbon Award School
- National Title 1 Distinguished School for academic achievement
- Tennessee Distinguished Title 1 School for exceptional student performance
- Ranked among state's top 6 percent for student performance since 2013
- Multiple district and city championship boys and girls athletic teams

### Academics

- Our school-wide Optional program is led by some of the nation's most respected educators.
- C.L.U.E. is available for eligible students in grades 1-8.
- Our Enriched Academics, College Preparatory and STEM programs prepare students to compete globally.
- Students thrive in an intellectually diverse environment surrounded by a wide range of cultural activities.
- These experiences are further enhanced by our incredibly strong parental and community support.

### Activities

- We offer a variety of stimulating clubs, programs and extracurricular activities to expand academic and social development beyond the school day, including:
  - National Honor Societies
  - Debate Club
  - STEM Robotics
  - Student Council
  - Elementary Choir
  - Garden Club
  - Spanish Club
  - Orchestra and Band
  - Visual Arts Club
  - Tennis
  - Running Club
  - Class Piano

JOHN P. FREEMAN SCHOOL (1-8)  
ENRICHED ACADEMICS / COLLEGE PREPARATORY

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!



[www.SCSK12.org/JohnPFreeman](http://www.SCSK12.org/JohnPFreeman)  
(901) 416-3156 | 5250 TULANE RD., MEMPHIS, TN 38109





Our Enriched Academics and International Studies program challenges students while preparing them for the real world!



Through creative, collaborative and challenging academics, our students achieve at the highest level. We empower students to be independent thinkers, responsible citizens and community leaders.

### Points of Pride

- We are among the top 30% of SCS for achievement and growth.
- We were awarded the Garden Bites Program in conjunction with our Outdoor Learning Garden, which offers outdoor learning experiences and healthy food awareness and preparation.
- We received the River Arts Fest Grant for a mural painting with local artist Carl E. Moore.
- We will participate with the Memphis Symphony Orchestra in their side-by-side concert series.

### Academics

- One of only a few responsive classroom Optional Schools in Shelby County.
- We offer Enriched Academics for higher level learners in grades 1-5 and the CLUE gifted program for eligible students.
- Students learn to appreciate the global community by participating in an extensive study of different countries in every grade.
- Students participate in a conversational French class once a week to build self-confidence, enhance overall academic performance and expand future career opportunities.

### Activities

- Expert Mathematicians Club
- Kiwanis K-Kids
- Guitar Club
- Piano Club
- Chorus Club
- Jog Club
- Card Club
- Drama Club
- Knitting Club
- Checker Club
- Board Game Club
- Kindness Club
- International Club
- Girls' and Boys' Basketball

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!



[www.SCSK12.org/GermantownElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/GermantownElementary)

(901) 416-9183 | 2730 CROSS COUNTRY DR., GERMANTOWN, TN 38138





We are home to the first and longest running International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme in West Tennessee.



Our IB graduates are among the top performers in the area, earning over \$350,000 each in scholarships every year to many of the most prestigious colleges and universities.

### Points of Pride

- We celebrate diversity with 40 different countries and 19 different languages represented.
- The composite ACT average for our IB students is 32.6!
- **Recent IB student highlights:**
  - Perfect scores! Three ACTs, one SAT and one ACT and SAT.
  - Built a school for child laborers in Pakistan
  - Designed and implemented a student-led mentoring program for at-risk elementary students
  - Provided 5,000 pairs of eyeglasses for special needs children in Kenya

### Academics

- Our IB program fosters inquiry, critical thinking and integrity through civil dialogue about global issues.
- We offer over 100 honors, AP, IB and Dual Enrollment courses.
- We have more than 100 student members in the ACT 30+ composite score club.
- Our IB teachers are certified by IBO.



### Activities

- IB seniors complete more than 10,000 service hours each year.
- 80 percent of parents and 100 percent of teachers are members of our highly involved PTSA.
- **Extensive extracurricular opportunities:**
  - 20 sports, including football, basketball, baseball, tennis, swimming, rugby, track and golf.
  - 75+ clubs and organizations, including Model UN, Mock Trial, Bridge Builders, Knowledge Bowl, Chick-fil-A Leadership Academy and nine National Honor Societies

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE AND COLLEGE PREPARATORY  
**GERMANTOWN HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)**

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**

[www.GermantownRedDevils.org](http://www.GermantownRedDevils.org)

(901) 416-2604 | 7653 OLD POPLAR PIKE, GERMANTOWN, TN 38138





Our nationally recognized CAPA program gives students college-level training in an unmatched professional setting.



**Our CAPA students are exposed to an extensive network of successful alumni with careers in theatre, television, movies, fashion and design, gaming, singing and many other areas of the arts and entertainment industries.**

### Points of Pride

- Film and television students are consistently recognized in local, regional and national film festivals and competitions throughout the year.
- Theatre students produce two mainstage productions and are recognized annually at the Orpheum High School Musical Theatre Awards.
- Music students are consistently recognized for All-West and All-State vocal and band music festivals with highest honors.
- Visual Art students consistently receive top awards and recognition in yearly scholastic and community competitions.

### Academics

- Wide array of honors, AP and IB level classes available
- **Our Optional CAPA courses feature expert instruction in the following content areas:**
  - Film and Video I and II
  - Introduction to Theatre
  - Acting
  - Technical Theatre
  - Communication Arts
  - Production Workshop
  - Art I-IV
  - Graphic Design
  - Choral Music
  - Instrumental Music
  - Marching Band
  - Jazz Band
  - Strings

### Activities

- Film students receive hands-on training in our on-campus HD quality GHS-TV studio.
- Theatre students take part in performances, workshops and conferences.
- Choral music students participate in local, regional and national performances, including Carnegie Hall.
- Instrumental music students work with guest artists and perform in local and national competitions, including Disney World.
- Visual art students' work is featured in the community, including our CAPA holiday card and senior art exhibit.

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/GermantownHighCAPA](http://www.SCSK12.org/GermantownHighCAPA)

(901) 416-0959 | 7653 OLD POPLAR PIKE, GERMANTOWN, TN 38138





Our College Prep Optional program gears students for graduation and beyond. We educate, enrich and empower!



Our culture of high expectations, diversity and collaborative spirit is bolstered by incredible support from our parents and community. Our students learn to become ethical and respectful leaders who can thrive in a global society.

### Points of Pride

We have a rich history of excelling in many areas:

- The Mighty Red Devil Band regularly competes and wins in local, state and national competitions.
- STEM students participate and place in events at the U of M E-Day every year.
- Our art students routinely place in various local competitions.
- Our diverse student body allows for sharing dynamic experiences and unique perspectives.
- Our active PTSA creates a bridge between home and school to benefit students.

### Academics

- Our Enriched Academics and College Preparatory program prepares students to thrive in high school and college.

We offer a variety of challenging courses:

- Honors-level core subjects
- French, Latin and Spanish
- STEM classes
- Algebra I and Physical Science
- Learning labs, including our (Learning Garden and GMS-TV)
- C.L.U.E. for eligible students

Our curriculum emphasizes characteristics of GMS PRIDE:

- Prepared
- Respectful
- Integrity
- Disciplined
- Excellence

### Activities

We embrace and cultivate interests and talents through extracurricular activities:

- National History Bee
- National Spelling Bee
- STEM
- Robotics
- Team sports
- National Jr. Honor Society
- National Beta Club
- Student Government
- Educational Leaders of Tomorrow
- Builder's Club
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- Multicultural Club
- Art Club
- Ping Pong Club
- Cooking Club
- Battle of the Books Club
- And many more!

GERMANTOWN MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)  
ENRICHED ACADEMICS / COLLEGE PREPARATORY

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!

[www.SCSK12.org/GermantownMiddle](http://www.SCSK12.org/GermantownMiddle)

(901) 416-0950 | 7925 C.D. SMITH RD., GERMANTOWN, TN 38138





Grahamwood's Enriched Academics Optional program is the gold standard for excellence in elementary education.



Serving a remarkably diverse student population, Grahamwood meets each child's unique educational needs by utilizing a hands-on approach where the entire community serves as a learning laboratory for the students to explore.

### Points of Pride

- Level 5 school (highest student growth rating) as recognized by TN Department of Education
- 2016 U.S. National Elementary Chess Champions
- 2016 SPARK School of the Year Award
- 2016 Rotary Club's Teacher of the Year
- Six National Board Certified Teachers
- WREG Educator of the Week-Principal
- Well Child Principal of the Year

### Academics

- 95+ percent proficiency rates for Optional students in reading/language arts and mathematics
- More Grahamwood grads become National Merit Scholar Semifinalists than any other SCS elementary school.
- CLUE classes for eligible students, including Pre-K
- Rigorous academics using hands-on exploratory and discovery learning methods
- National Beta Club School of Distinction 2013-2017
- *Memphis Business Journal* A+ School: Best Performing Mid-South Elementary School

### Activities

- Piloting a five-year arts partnership with The Orpheum and Kennedy Center
- National Let's Move! Active Schools Award
- National Wildlife Federation Certified Outdoor Classroom and Monarch Waystation
- Tennessee Arts Commission grants-funded performances
- Memphis Achievers Field Exploration and Calendar Project
- Many adopters and sponsors, including Kroger and FedEx

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**

[www.SCSK12.org/GrahamwoodElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/GrahamwoodElementary)

(901) 416-5993 | 3950 SUMMER AVE., MEMPHIS, TN 38122





**WE ARE HAVENVIEW!**  
"See the Vision Through the Eye of the Tiger!"



**Havenview is a Whitehaven Empowerment Zone school with a S.T.E.A.M. focus. We emphasize science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics in an effort to prepare students for STEM degrees and careers.**

### **Points of Pride**

- We offer an interdisciplinary approach to learning; our classes promote literacy and integrated learning. Our curriculum encourages achievement, leadership and post-secondary readiness beginning at 6th grade.
- Our curriculum and schedule include built-in academic enrichment and intervention for all students.
- Through a partnership and collaboration with Peer Power Foundation, we have Success Coaches in each of our core classrooms.

### **Academics**

- **Exploratory course offerings:**  
Automation & Robotics  
STEM Explorers  
Visual Art  
Computer Science  
Orchestra, Vocal Music and Band  
Creative Writing
- We offer three world languages:  
Chinese, Arabic and Russian
- We offer Algebra I and Physical Science for high school credit.
- We have a Level 5 science department.
- We offer C.L.U.E. for eligible students.

### **Activities**

- **Extracurricular activities and leadership programs include:**  
Football  
Baseball and Softball  
Volleyball  
Cheer and Pom  
Basketball  
Track and cross country  
Majorettes  
Flag Corps  
Honor Society and Beta Club  
Student Council  
Robotics and Green Teams  
STEM Speakers  
Brothers Keeper Mentoring
- Our field experiences advocate leadership, service and social change.

**HAVENVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)**  
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, ARTS AND MATHEMATICS (STEAM)

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**

[www.SCSK12.org/HavenviewMiddle](http://www.SCSK12.org/HavenviewMiddle)

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Guided by our motto, "Children First. Excellence Always."  
Idlewild excels through Enriched Science and Technology.



"Great happens here!" Since 1903, our students have thrived in a diverse setting. Our holistic, differentiated and rigorous approach to teaching and learning develops every student's talents, intellect, creativity and character.

### Points of Pride

- Our school ranks in the top 15 percent of all TN schools.
- Our school earned Level 5 designation (highest level) in all subjects on the State of Tennessee 2017 TNReady Assessment.
- Our entire student body (grades KK-5) participates in our unique and competitive Optional program.
- Our adopters provide extended learning opportunities and over 650 volunteer tutoring hours.
- Our PowerSaver Energy Team earned first place and \$5,000 in a county-wide competition.

### Academics

- Our talented and inspiring teachers support every student, instilling the confidence needed to be creative and critical thinkers.
- C.L.U.E. is available for eligible students in grades K-5.
- Our teachers prepare students to reach their highest levels of personal growth.
- We recognize that students learn from each other, so our teachers create safe, nurturing and challenging classrooms that embrace diversity, cultures, ideas, experiences, interests and opinions.
- Our dedicated science lab and technology lab instructors bring learning to life using interactive lab simulations.

### Activities

- Weekly science and technology lab experiences for all students.
- Chess Club
- Competitive Chess Team
- Film Club
- Junior Beta Club
- Recorder Ensemble
- Choral Ensemble
- Class Piano
- Student Council
- PowerSaver Energy Team
- Robotics Team
- Outstanding Extended Care
- Art Club
- Competitive Math Team
- Runners Club

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**

[www.SCSK12.org/IdlewildElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/IdlewildElementary)

(901) 416-4566 | 1950 LINDEN AVE., MEMPHIS, TN 38104

**IDLEWILD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (K-5)**  
SCIENCE / TECHNOLOGY





Keystone Elementary's Optional focus is SET - Science, Engineering and Technology! Ready...SET...go!



**Our Cougars engage in 21st century learning that encompasses science, engineering and technology concepts to prepare them to be college- and career-ready.**

### Points of Pride

- Nationally recognized environmental studies and outdoor classroom program
- Recognized as a Level 5 school by the state and District for overall performance
- Designated SCS Green School for focus on energy conservation
- Recognized by the City of Memphis and the Memphis City Beautiful Commission as a "Litter Free School"
- Two fully equipped computer labs and student desk tops and laptops, Smart or Promethean Board and a docucam in every classroom.

### Academics

- School-wide educational focus on Science, Engineering and Technology (SET)
- C.L.U.E. for eligible students
- Full-time technology teacher who provides Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, coding and keyboarding instruction for student technology portfolios
- Three National Board Certified teachers
- Two-person teacher teams in grades K-2 reading/writing and math/science/social studies
- Departmentalization in grades 3-5 with teachers specializing in reading/writing, math, science and social studies

### Activities

- National Elementary Honor Society
- Accelerated Reader
- Strings, Jazz Ensemble and Chorus
- Girl Scouts
- Safety Patrol
- Technology Fair
- Student Ambassadors
- Before- and after-school care
- Field Day
- Art exhibitions
- Cougar Bucks and Cougar Store
- Briarcrest Partnership

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/KeystoneElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/KeystoneElementary)

(901) 416-3924 | 4301 OLD ALLEN RD., MEMPHIS, TN 38128



**KEYSTONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (1-5)**  
SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY





# Excellence A

## Unique Programming

West TN's  
**ONLY** K-12 IB  
feeder program

**3**

**International Baccalaureate**  
high school programs



The State's **ONLY**  
Dual Language  
Immersion program



**33**

of 39 available AP  
courses offered in  
our Optional  
high schools



Opportunities for  
students to earn a  
private pilot's license



Multiple 6-12 feeder patterns  
with 7 world languages: Arabic,  
Chinese, Spanish, Russian,  
French, Japanese & Latin



**4**

**Schools with early  
access to world  
languages for high  
school credit**

**10**

**Level 5  
Optional  
Schools—  
the state's  
highest  
level- TVAAS  
Schoolwide  
Composite  
Score**



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# At A Glance

## Achievements

**4**

Optional high school students are 2018 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists

**100%**

Graduation rate for four-year Optional high school students



**23**

Mid-South  
Plastic Art  
Awards

**39**

Gold Key  
winners



## Outcomes

Optional students in grades three through eight have higher On Track/Mastered rates than Tennessee students on the TNReady Achievement Test in all subjects.

**25.2**

The ACT Composite score average for SCS Optional School students is substantially higher than state and national averages. In addition, SCS Optional School students score higher than state and national averages on each ACT subject test.

Optional students outperform Tennessee students on the TCAP End-Of-Course Assessments in Algebra I, Biology I and English II.

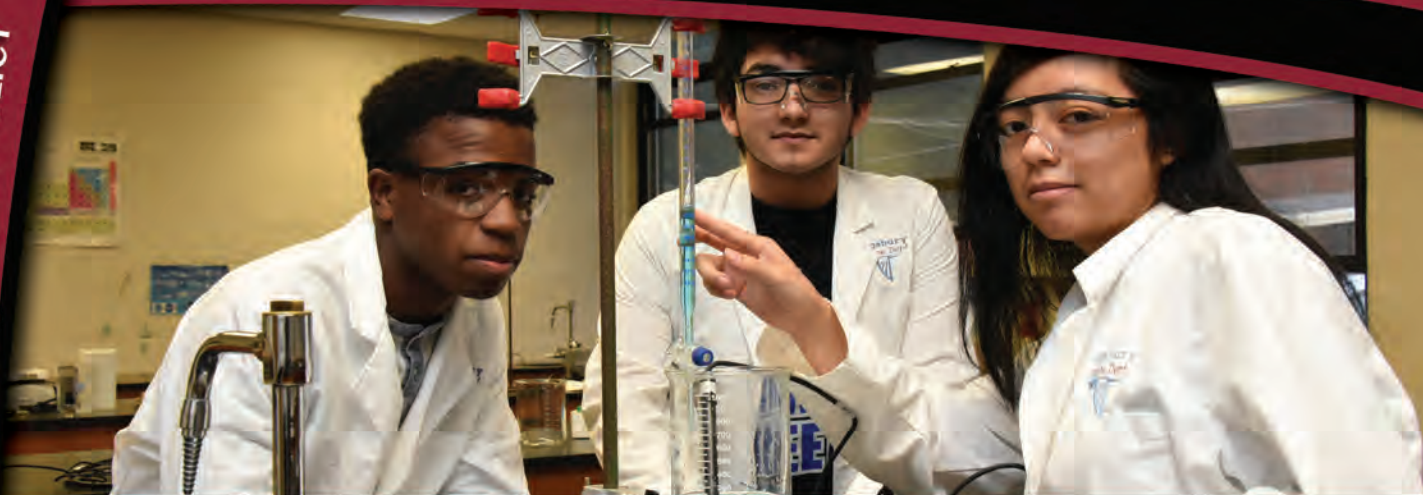
291 Optional students earned Advanced Placement Scholar status with 356 total awards.



Our Optional program celebrates the strengths and experiences of our global students, representing 20+ nations.

# KINGSBURY HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

GLOBAL HEALTH STUDIES: APPLIED HEALTH SCIENCE & HEALTH SCIENCE POLICY



**Serving a diverse student population, our Global Health Studies Optional program offers the world class training students need to take on the complex challenges of 21st century healthcare.**

## Points of Pride

- On average, our Optional students outperform national and district averages for standardized reading and mathematics tests.
- On the Fall 2017 NWEA MAP Assessment, 90% of Optional students scored proficient or advanced in Reading, and 81% scored proficient or advanced in Math.
- We were recognized in 2015-16 and 2016-17 for having the "Best Garden" in Shelby County Schools.
- Kingsbury students have won the Yale Book Award and National Civil Rights Museum Keeping the Dream Award.

## Academics

- We offer nine Advanced Placement courses, several Dual Enrollment and Honors courses in all departments.
- Optional students take four years of coursework in Global Health and can choose to focus on health science or health policy.
- We offer German, French, Spanish, Spanish for Spanish Speakers, Pre-Engineering courses through Project Lead the Way and Robotics/Automated systems.

## Activities

- Clubs include Knowledge Bowl, International Club, National Honor Society, Leadership Memphis, The College Initiative, JROTC, Student Leadership Council, Future Business Leaders of America and Future Health Professionals (HOSA).
- Fine Arts programs include orchestra, band, theater, piano and visual art.
- We had orchestra students advance to All-West, All-State and All-National Orchestras within the last two years.
- We have boys and girls athletic teams in 10 sports, many of which advance regularly to regional and state tournaments.



**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/KingsburyHigh](http://www.SCSK12.org/KingsburyHigh)

(901) 416-6060 | 1270 N. GRAHAM, MEMPHIS, TN 38122





We develop lifelong learners who solve real-world problems, collaborate with peers, respect diversity and inspire others.



As an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School, our students are taught to believe their ideas, solutions and contributions can and will make a difference in a global community.

### Points of Pride

- Caring and diverse student population which enhances our world perspective
- Level 4 school based on TNReady TVAAS
- Greenhouse, Farm to School effort incorporating environmental sustainability
- Active community involvement partnership with TEAM Read coaches
- School-wide action cycles to donate and help others in our country and around the world

### Academics

- All of our K-5 students receive Mandarin Chinese instruction.
- Students research concepts using transdisciplinary units of study.
- Fifth grade students research and explore topics to change or enhance their community through their PYP culminating Exhibition experience.
- Daily incorporation of the Learner Profile attributes like caring, balanced and inquiry drive our instruction.
- Students engage in project-based learning that builds higher-order thinking skills.

### Activities

- Monthly PYP ABCs Assemblies
- Weekly "Impressive Behavior" Recognition
- Choir
- Girls with Pearls
- Guys with Ties
- Honors Club
- Student Ambassadors
- Visual Art Club
- Monthly parent/family engagement activities

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!



[www.SCSK12.org/OakForestElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/OakForestElementary)

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OAK FOREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (1-5)  
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) WORLD SCHOOL PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAMME





Overton High has been producing stars in the classroom and on the stage in Memphis and Shelby County since 1959!



**Our students consistently achieve state and national honors for all forms of artistic expression. Our classrooms not only inspire creativity and expression at the highest levels, but also personal confidence and academic excellence.**

# OVERTON HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

## Points of Pride

- Nationally recognized and award-winning fine arts program with real-world experiences that lead to college and career opportunities
- 2017 GRAMMY Signature School Enterprise Award recipient
- More than \$30 million in scholarships awarded annually for academics and arts and acceptance to prestigious military institutions
- Top ten SCS performer on five of nine TNReady/EOC 2016 assessments



## Academics

- We offer 11 Advanced Placement (AP) courses, 67 Honors and Dual Enrollment courses to prepare our graduates for successful college experiences.
- Our Optional students receive an additional hour of instruction beyond the regular school day to develop and practice their individual programs of study.
- Our Optional students have a strong record of academic performance in the classroom that matches their exceptional performance on the stage.

## Activities

- On-site recording studio is available to all aspiring artists at no cost.
- Overton student life includes opportunities to participate in more than 45 academic, athletic and extracurricular organizations.
- Cultural diversity is celebrated through performances, activities and guest speakers.
- Our clubs and organizations are regular participants in numerous community service projects that support St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Le Bonheur Children's Hospital, and other important causes.

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/OvertonHigh](http://www.SCSK12.org/OvertonHigh)

(901) 416-2142 | 1770 LANIER LN., MEMPHIS, TN 38117





Our Enriched Academics/International Studies program brings global learning to our Midtown community!



**We are an International Studies school that empowers students to grow through rigorous instruction and project-based learning. Our students develop global awareness while building a strong foundation for learning.**

### Points of Pride

- Peabody students consistently place in national and local art competitions.
- Our active parent/community group supports Accelerated Reader, volunteer tutoring, a community garden, Watch D.O.G. Dads and a Site-Based Decision-Making Committee.
- Peabody was one of 18 SCS to exceed the District and State percentages on the TNReady Assessment in English/Language Arts.
- Peabody students participate in community awareness activities, such as Go Jim Go! for LeBonheur, Salvation Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund, International Walk to School Day and the World Literacy Foundation's Int'l Literacy Day.

### Academics

- Each grade level is immersed in an in-depth study of five different countries.
- We offer C.L.U.E. for eligible students.
- Students learn a world language, such as Russian, and experience international cuisine.
- Peabody's Optional students consistently exceed District and state testing expectations.
- Peabody is a Responsive Classroom school, which focuses on students excelling academically and socially.

### Activities

- We offer 15 teacher-led after-school clubs that foster positive peer interactions.
- Peabody students plant, harvest and care for our Learning Garden.
- Peabody's choir and dance ensembles focus on national and international genres of song and dance.
- Students engage in International Studies-themed projects and field trips, a mid-year carnival and a year-end festival.

PEABODY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (1-5)  
ENRICHED ACADEMICS / INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/PeabodyElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/PeabodyElementary)

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**Building upon 45 years of success, Ridgeway High School upholds a rich tradition of excellence!**



**As an International Baccalaureate World School, we provide students with a rigorous, world class college preparatory education to help propel them along their journey of success after graduation.**

### **Points of Pride**

- We are one of only four high schools in West Tennessee to offer the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme.
- Our IB students consistently compete and win in competitions, such as the Orpheum Theater High School Awards, All-West Music Competitions and Mid-South Scholastic Art Awards.
- Our IB students benefit from the small class size and the family oriented environment at Ridgeway High School.
- Every IB Senior received scholarship offers to college, including two Questbridge matches.

### **Academics**

- Our IB students complete a rigorous, internationally recognized program of study.
- Our IB students earn college credits and IB diplomas from scores on their End of Course IB assessments.
- Ridgeway High School offers 18 IB courses and 38 Honors courses.
- Our IB courses span a two-year period to ensure that students are given time to become immersed in the content area.
- Our ninth and tenth graders take rigorous Honors and AP classes to fully prepare them for grade 11-12 IB courses.

### **Activities**

- We promote the arts with many programs: visual arts, theater, band, orchestra, marching band and choir.
- Our athletics program excels in all sports and produces state champions, as well as collegiate and professional players.
- IB students participate in Chick-fil-A Leader Academy, FBLA, DuBois Scholars, Latino Memphis, Best Buddies and other community-building organizations to provide many opportunities to be leaders.

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**

[www.SCSK12.org/RidgewayHigh](http://www.SCSK12.org/RidgewayHigh)

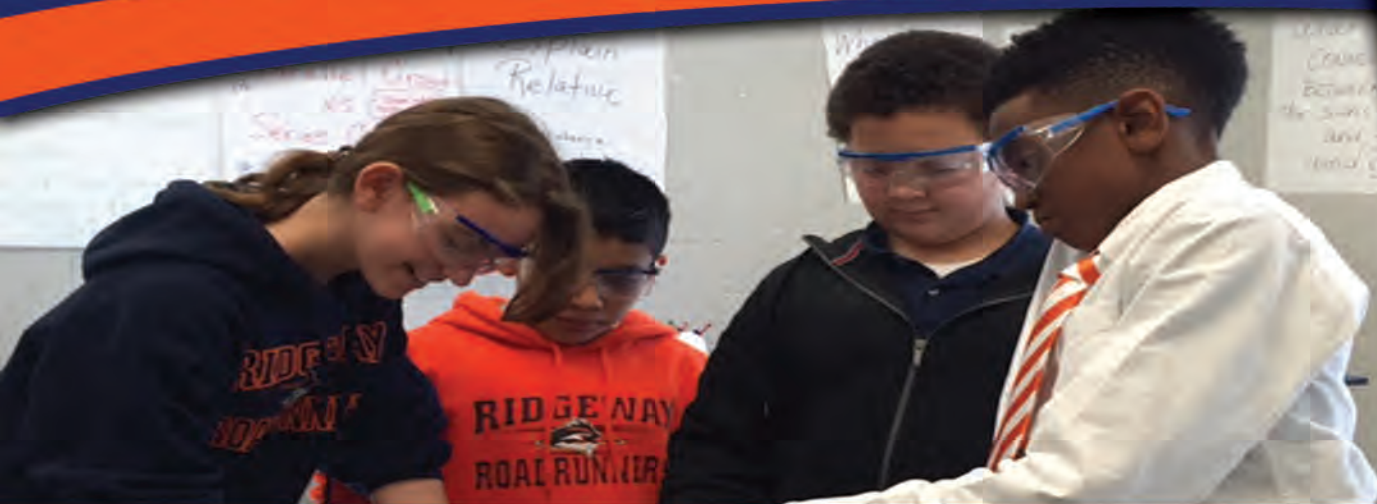
(901) 416-1802 | 2009 RIDGEWAY RD., MEMPHIS, TN 38119

**RIDGEWAY HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)**  
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE WORLD SCHOOL





Our International Baccalaureate Programme is the only IB opportunity for middle school students in West Tennessee!



Our students are principled critical thinkers and reflective risk-takers. Every day, we're helping to shape lifelong learners who are ready to become leaders in our global society.

### Points of Pride

- Our IB coursework sparks a global awareness, preparing students for success in the rigorous IB high school program.
- Our students are motivated to take on new global challenges.
- The IB curriculum is integrated across all subjects, including world language and the arts.
- Our school's success rate has continued to demonstrate our commitment to student achievement.

### Academics

- Students are actively engaged and challenged to be inquirers as they acquire knowledge and gain valuable learning experiences.
- C.L.U.E. for eligible students in all grades
- Our teachers work cooperatively to help students develop problem-solving and decision-making skills through global project-based instruction.
- We offer Algebra I, Physical Science and Spanish I for high school credit.

### Activities

- Nine boys and girls sports
- Visual arts, vocal music, band, orchestra
- Multiple academic competitions
- Over 20 clubs offered through our mentoring program, such as the Debate Team, VIP, Chess, Drama, Student Council and Honor Society
- Community service activities throughout the school year

**RIDGEWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)**  
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE WORLD SCHOOL MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/RidgewayMiddle](http://www.SCSK12.org/RidgewayMiddle)

(901) 416-1575 | 6333 QUINCE RD., MEMPHIS, TN 38119





Located on a 30-acre natural wildlife habitat, our students learn to value their environment and community.



**We focus on Science, Service and Enriched Academics. Our unique learning environments include two community gardens, a butterfly garden, a Tennessee garden, a woodland path and a science lab.**

### **Points of Pride**

- Riverwood earned a National Wildlife Federation - Certified Wildlife Habitat designation.
- Student projects have won seven consecutive Memphis City Beautiful awards.
- Riverwood students and classes place yearly in the city-wide Science Fair.
- Our Kitchen Community Garden provides students with hands-on connections to the foods they grow, harvest and eat.

### **Cultural Diversity**

- Riverwood's diverse population represents more than 36 different languages and cultures.

### **Academics**

- Riverwood's Optional students consistently outperform the district and state on standardized testing.
- Our Responsive Classroom philosophy emphasizes social, emotional and academic growth to facilitate optimal student learning. We create a culture of caring, responsibility, and self-motivation for students, staff and families.
- Our four C.L.U.E. teachers provide creative learning opportunities for eligible high-performing students.
- Students experience hands-on, authentic learning while conducting investigations in our gardens, woodland path and science lab.

### **Activities**

- Riverwood's Woodland Path winds through three acres of natural habitat. Students investigate, protect and foster the continued growth of native plants and animals.
- Students engage in a variety of school-wide and classroom community service projects. Participation in these efforts grows a sense of community consciousness among students, parents and staff.
- Riverwood students showcase their environmental wonderings and investigations for parents and community members.
- Destination Imagination (DI) teams consistently progress to the state and national levels.

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/RiverwoodElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/RiverwoodElementary)  
(901) 416-2310 | 1330 STERN LN., MEMPHIS, TN 38016





We are "THE" destination for elementary creative and performing arts education in Shelby County!



We offer an educational experience in the performing arts that is student-focused and academically challenging in an arts-centered environment. Our students gain a deep understanding of content by applying artistic forms.

### Points of Pride

- Rozelle Dance Repertory Ensemble was a Gold Award winner in the Southern Stars Dance Competition (SADM).
- Showstoppers Chorus has performed on local, state and national levels, including at the White House, United Nations and with the Memphis Symphony Orchestra.
- Art company students have received Memphis College of Art scholarships.
- The Drama Troupe has recorded and broadcasted with local radio and cable TV stations; performed for the District's Leadership Conference and First Tennessee Bank; and partnered with local businesses to host and win oratorical contests.

### Academics

- Rigorous college and career core curriculum is integrated with the creative and performing arts school-wide.
- Creative writing prepare students for real world writing experiences and help students build confidence and creativity while preparing them to become college and career writers.
- C.L.U.E. is available for eligible high-performing students.
- Project-based learning allows students to collaborate and solve real-world problems.
- Technology tools are utilized in our academic programs to prepare students to compete in the 21st century.

### Activities

- CAPA Enrichment after-school program
- Art Production Company
- Drama Troupe
- Repertory Dance Company
- Showstoppers Chorus
- Winter and Spring productions
- Dinner Theatre and Art Show
- A Taste of CAPA
- Public Speaking Mini-Workshop
- Oratorical Contest
- Broadcast Team

**Before- and After-School Care offered to all students:**

- String orchestra
- Class Piano
- Technology Club
- Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
- Garden Club
- Peer Mediation

ROZELLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (K-5)  
CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!



[www.SCSK12.org/RozelleElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/RozelleElementary)

(901) 416-4612 | 993 ROLAND, MEMPHIS, TN 38114





We offer an extensive Enriched Academics Optional program with a focus on integration through the arts.



**Our students benefit from exciting academic enrichment through the arts to help equip and inspire students to become lifelong learners in a safe and nurturing environment.**

### Points of Pride

- 2016-2017 Arts 360 Grant recipient from the Tennessee Arts Commission.
- Strong parental and community involvement relationships that support student success.
- Advanced technological tools enable learning through various means.
- Students are given opportunities to enhance their knowledge of visual and performing arts.
- We are nestled deep in the heart of Sherwood Forest where our Ace Archers target EXCELLENCE in all that we do!

### Academics

- Creative learning environment that stimulates academic growth for all students
- C.L.U.E. for eligible students
- Superb academic planning and preparation for all levels of learning to foster personal growth
- Community based fundraisers and outreach events that promote the development of positive social interactions
- A wealth of resources to help students become reflective thinkers, problem-solvers, and active learners

### Activities

- Boys Step Team/Girls Dance Team
- Orff Music All-City Participants
- Strings and Piano Classes
- Art Club
- Gardening Club
- Youth Career Awareness Program
- Girls Inc.
- No Bullying Program
- School Safety Patrol
- Annual Spelling/Geography Bee competitions

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**

[www.SCSK12.org/SherwoodElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/SherwoodElementary)

(901) 416-6615 | 1156 ROBIN HOOD LN., MEMPHIS, TN 38111





We are Maxine Smith STEAM Academy! The #1 ACHIEVING middle school in the district in Math, Reading and Science, and a Tennessee Reward School!



The world is a better place because your child was born. We recognize and celebrate your child's talents, abilities and individuality. We are located in the heart of Midtown Memphis.

### Points of Pride

- Our students consistently rank among the greatest academic performers in the state, and we have been recognized in the *Memphis Business Journal* as the Best Middle School in West Tennessee.
- Many of our seventh and eighth grade students have earned State and Grand Recognition from the Duke Talent Identification program.
- Students at our school have earned awards in local robotics competitions as well as placing in local, state and national Technology Student Association (TSA) competitions.
- MSSA is a member of the Facing History Innovative Schools Network, the Tennessee STEM Innovation Network and a Tennessee Reward School.

### Academics

**We emphasize the ABCs of academics:**

- A-** Acknowledging that each student is different while providing a caring staff to celebrate those differences
- B-** Bringing in exciting community partnerships that expose students to a variety of opportunities
- C-** Curriculum focused on science, technology, engineering, arts and math, with a special emphasis on environmental studies (greenSTEAM).
- All of our students are enrolled in Honors courses, including a STEM course that utilizes project-based learning and experiential learning opportunities. Qualifying students take a variety of high school science and math courses.

### Activities

**We offer a wide range of activities for our technicians, engineers and inventors:**

- Band/orchestra
- Dance
- Theater
- Chess Club
- Technology Student Association
- Energy Club
- Robotics
- Baseball
- Girls'/Boys' Basketball
- Softball
- Girls'/Boys' Soccer
- Cheerleading
- Volleyball
- Track and Field
- And many more

**MAXINE SMITH STEAM ACADEMY (6-8)**  
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, ARTS AND MATHEMATICS

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.scsengineering.org](http://www.scsengineering.org)

(901) 416-4536 | 750 E. PARKWAY SOUTH, MEMPHIS, TN 38104





"GREAT HAPPENS HERE" at the historic Snowden Optional School program for Enriched Academics and College Prep!

# SNOWDEN OPTIONAL SCHOOL (1-8)

ENRICHED ACADEMICS / COLLEGE PREPARATORY



**Students from diverse backgrounds are exposed, daily, to advanced coursework and engaging educational and social experiences that prepare them for success in higher education and the world-at-large.**

## Points of Pride

- Snowden students routinely earn top honors in academics and the visual and performing arts.
- Our dedicated and highly trained staff includes National Board Certified teachers, Rotary Award for Excellence teachers and West TN teacher of the Year.
- As a "The Leader in Me" school, we support student achievement through the principles of *Franklin Covey's The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*.
- Strong community support and highly involved parents open doors for higher learning, personal growth and whole-child development here at Snowden.

## Academics

- All courses of study include an enriched curriculum for all subjects, complemented by the Arts, Creative Writing, Band, Choir, Spanish, STEM and Leadership building.
- Our Optional students score well above the national average in National Norm referenced assessments, such as NWEA/MAP.
- C.L.U.E. is available for qualifying students in grades K through 8.
- National Junior Honor Society, Junior Beta Club and National Elementary Honor Society are active organizations in our school for those student who excel academically.

## Activities

- Snowden students have opportunities to engage in the following extra-curricular activities to enrich their academic experiences:
- Marching band
- All-West Choir, Piano and Orchestra
- BRIDGES Student Leadership program
- Chess Club
- Student Council
- WordSmith competitions
- Debate Club
- History Club
- Art Club
- The Leader in Me
- Destination Imagination
- Facing History and Ourselves

**COME SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!**



[www.SCSK12.org/SnowdenSchool](http://www.SCSK12.org/SnowdenSchool)

(901) 416-6105 | 1870 N. PARKWAY, MEMPHIS, TN 38112





At Springdale Memphis-Magnet, we believe education and exposure are the great equalizers for student success!



Our Magnet program draws students from all over the county to experience a rich science exploratory education. We prepare students for science careers, such as physics, engineering, zoology, forensics and chemistry.

### Points of Pride

- 2015 Reward school for ranking among state's top 5 percent for student performance
- Awarded American Heart Association Gardening grant
- Multiple career-related field experiences for students
- Field trip to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation CSI Lab for fifth graders
- Art blog to promote art-focused teaching and learning
- Active Parent Teacher Organization

### Academics

- Science lab for students to explore STEM challenges and science career fields
- Science Saturday Excursions for the students and parents with Rhodes College
- TEAM Read for every second grader
- C.L.U.E. for eligible gifted learners
- Prime Time After-Care with tutoring
- Departmentalized instruction for grades 2-5

### Activities

- Strings
- Art Club
- STEM Club
- P.I.N.K. Panthers and B.I.G Panthers
- Panther PAC
- Book Club
- Boy Scouts
- Prime Time After-Care
- Service Learning Projects
- Panther Partners

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[www.SCSK12.org/SpringdaleMemphisMagnet](http://www.SCSK12.org/SpringdaleMemphisMagnet)

(901) 416-4883 | 880 N. HOLLYWOOD ST., MEMPHIS, TN 38108



SPRINGDALE-MEMPHIS MAGNET ELEMENTARY (K-5)  
EXPLORATORY LEARNING





We are a one-of-a-kind program that develops bilingual and bicultural scholars in Shelby County.



**Our academic program promotes biliteracy and positive cross-cultural attitudes in an immersed multicultural environment. Treadwell Elementary inspires creativity and exploration through a celebration of cultures.**

### Points of Pride

- We are a Kappa Days of Caring Siemens STEM program recipient.
- Our school attracts one of the highest ARISE to READ-TEAM READ volunteer counts in SCS.
- We are a Smart from the Start Discovery Education \$20,000 Grant recipient.
- We are a Blessings in a Backpack recipient.
- We've been recognized as Local Memphis' Cool School of the Week.
- We won the 2016 ArtsFest People's Choice Award.

### Academics

- Students learn in an ethnically, culturally and linguistically-rich atmosphere.
- Dual language inspires curiosity and develops higher cognitive and problem-solving abilities. Students become bilingual leaders who are prepared in an increasingly diverse and competitive community.
- Our students engage daily with authentic Spanish-speaking teachers who provide rich learning opportunities to reinforce reading and language arts in both Spanish and English.
- Three optional transitional routes are available for middle school.

### Activities

- **For Students:**
  - Spanish Reading Club
  - Creative Writing Club
  - Garden Club
  - Soccer
  - Cheerleading
  - Super Saturday School
  - Eagles with Voices Choir
  - Elite Eagle
- **For Parents:**
  - PIE (Partners in Education)
  - Classroom Moms
  - Watch D.O.G.S.
  - Parent Advisory Board
  - Monthly Parent Academy
- **For Community:**
  - Team Read Volunteers
  - Community Advisory Board
  - Garden Club
  - Math and science tutoring

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**TREADWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (K-5)**  
DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION





Our Optional program propels students to become STARS -  
Scholars Tackling Academic Rigor Scientifically!



Our teachers nurture each student to their fullest potential. Our variety of extracurricular activities and enrichment classes help students develop teamwork and social skills while expanding their interests and talents.

### Points of Pride

- Reward School for ranking among top 5 percent of TN schools two consecutive years
- Recognized as a 2016 National Beta School of Merit
- Outside Amphitheater for school performances
- Strong parental and community support
- Recipient of the Links After School performance program
- K-5 students receive tutoring from our adopters' Education Initiative program

### Academics

- All subject areas infused into science for instruction
- Progression of zoology, botany, meteorology, engineering and robotics for students by grade level
- Quarterly subject area competition opportunities
- Fully equipped science lab for research, observation and hands-on experiences
- Two state-of-the-art computer labs for student use and parent training
- Three wireless mobile computer labs for classroom use

### Activities

- Diamonds in the Rough
- Gents in the Making
- Student Council
- Beta Club
- Science Club
- Art Club
- Dance and Cheer Club
- Cooking Club
- Choir
- Basketball Club
- Book Club

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SCIENCE EXPLORATION STARS - SCHOLARS TACKLING ACADEMIC RIGOR SCIENTIFICALLY

# VOLLENTINE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (K-5)





Our rigorous Optional program offers STEM-infused learning for a foundation of success through graduation and beyond.



Our dedicated staff maintains high standards for academic achievement by immersing students in STEM-focused learning daily. This foundation equips students to think critically, innovate and become future leaders.

### Points of Pride

- Our students won at the VEX IQ Robotics State Championships three years running and represented Tennessee at the 2015, 2016 and 2017 VEX IQ World Robotics Championships.
- We are Tennessee's first elementary site for Project Lead the Way, the nation's leading provider of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.
- We earned the distinction of AdvancED STEM Certification.
- Achieved Level 5 growth rating in Literacy and Math as recorded in the State Report Card for 2017.

### Academics

- All students in our Optional STEM program participate in a pull-out class focusing in biomedical science, computer science and engineering design.
- Learning is enhanced by giving students access to the school's STEM Headquarters, which features iPads, laptops, mini-robots, drones, LapQuests and a 3-D printer.
- Teachers assist students to become lifelong learners through exciting hands-on activities in our state-of-the-art science, technology and engineering labs as they apply knowledge to real-world issues.
- C.L.U.E. is available for qualifying students in grades two through five.

### Activities

- Whitehaven Elementary STEM School offers a wide range of STEM-focused clubs: First Lego League, VEX IQ Robotics, STEM Music, Digital Yearbook, Broadcasting/Podcasting/Webcasting Teams, SECME and Builders Club.
- Our program offers a variety of unique STEM learning opportunities, including STEM-focused field trips, Family STEM Night and an annual STEM Expo that attracts STEM professionals from across the Memphis area.

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[www.SCSK12.org/WhitehavenElementary](http://www.SCSK12.org/WhitehavenElementary)

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Our Business and Finance Optional program motivates college- and career-minded students to pursue excellence.



Building upon our historic legacy, our competitive Business and Finance program exposes students to the rigors they face in a college classroom and prepares them to be successful professionals in today's changing global society.

### Points of Pride

- Recognized by *US News & World Report* among America's best high schools
- 91.7 percent school graduation rate, with 83 percent of graduates receiving scholarships
- 2016-2017 Reward School
- 97.4 percent attendance rate
- 2014-2017 Three-time AAA Girls' Track State Champions
- Founded the nationally recognized 30+ Club for students with a 30 or higher on their ACT
- 2016 6A Football State Champions

### Academics

- Students take advantage of a wide range of Advanced Placement, Dual Enrollment and Honors classes.
- Honors business classes include: Accounting, Banking & Finance, Computer Applications, Business Communication, Business Management, Virtual Enterprise and Entrepreneurship
- Industry certifications include: MOUS (Microsoft Office User Specialist) and CRC (Career Readiness Certificate)
- We have five business/educational computer labs.
- Class of 2017 earned over \$126 million in scholarships.

### Activities

- DECA and FBLA competitions
- Mentoring opportunities for 9th and 10th graders
- Job shadowing and paid summer internships for 11th and 12th graders
- Opportunities to travel abroad through World Languages Department
- Annual In-School College Fair
- Memphis REACH Program
- Annual National Academic Signing Day
- Annual Whitehaven High School Empowerment/ Career Expo

WHITEHAVEN HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)  
BUSINESS AND FINANCE

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[www.SCSK12.org/WhitehavenHighBusinessFinance](http://www.SCSK12.org/WhitehavenHighBusinessFinance)

(901) 416-3000 | 4851 ELVIS PRESLEY BLVD., MEMPHIS, TN 38116





Our College Preparatory Optional program brings the college experience in focus for our driven future leaders.



**We educate, empower and engage students to reach their fullest potential with a culture of high expectations for academics and character. Our graduates are ready to seize the opportunities ahead in a diverse and competitive world.**

### Points of Pride

- Recognized by *US News & World Report* among America's best high schools
- 91.7 percent school graduation rate, with 83 percent of graduates receiving scholarships
- 2016-17 Reward School
- \$126 million in scholarships awarded to class of 2017 graduates
- 2014-2017 Three-time AAA Girls' Track State Champions
- 2016 6A Football State Champions

### Academics

- Students take advantage of a wide range of Advanced Placement, Dual Enrollment and Honors classes.
- Our extensive World Language offerings include: Arabic, Chinese, German, French, Russian and Spanish
- Academic Safety Nets: Teacher tutoring; ZAP; EOC/ACT Workshops
- Over 120 Peer Power Success Coaches/Tutors (University of Memphis students)
- Founded the nationally recognized 30+ Club for students with a 30 or higher on their ACT

### Activities

- National Honor Society
- Robotics Club/Chess Club
- Mu Alpha Theta
- Debate Team
- Black Card/Fortune 500 Club
- Opportunities to travel abroad through World Languages Department
- Annual In-School College Fair
- Memphis REACH Program
- Annual National Academic Signing Day
- Annual Whitehaven High School Empowerment/ Career Expo

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White Station's rigorous College Preparatory Optional program has an unparalleled reputation for academic excellence!



With a wide array of Honors and Advanced Placement courses, award-winning programs and championship athletics, we're consistently recognized among America's best high schools.

### Points of Pride

- Recognized five times as one of the top 1,200 high schools in the U.S. by *Newsweek*
- Thirteen National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Scholars in Tennessee
- 27.9 average ACT score for our Optional students; 81 percent of AP students score 3+ on exams for college credit consideration
- We have 92 AP Scholars, 47 AP Scholars with Honors, 79 AP Scholars with Distinction and 22 National AP Scholars. 100 percent of our Capstone students earned the AP Capstone Diploma.
- Two Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching National Finalists (TN Award Winners)

### Academics

- One of only 17 schools in Tennessee designated as an AP Capstone School for college-level inquiry, research, collaboration and writing
- Exceptional award-winning music, drama and visual arts programs
- National Scholastic Art Gold and Silver award winners annually
- 32 AP classes offering college level learning in multiple subject areas and a wide array of honors level courses
- Offers five world languages, including French, Latin, Spanish, Chinese and Japanese

### Activities

- 75+ student led clubs
- Nationally ranked Mock Trial, Model UN and Quiz Bowl teams
- Student Council
- Award winning DECA, Knowledge Bowl, Science Bowl, Science Olympiad, Robotics and more
- World language, science and math competitions
- Full array of championship caliber athletic teams for boys and girls
- JROTC competitions

WHITE STATION HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)  
COLLEGE PREPARATORY

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Our nationally recognized middle school program represents the very best in college preparatory education!



We offer extensive choices in Honors curriculum, extracurricular activities and award-winning arts and athletics to develop well-rounded, high-achieving students in the heart of East Memphis.

### Points of Pride

- National Magnet School of Excellence and Distinction by Magnet Schools of America
- Award-winning STEM programs recognized locally, statewide and nationally through top honors in MathCounts, Science Olympiad and eCYBERMISSION
- Numerous local, state, and national awards and recognitions in academics, athletics and the performing and fine arts
- School's community service projects support many local, state and national charitable organizations.

### Academics

- Top rankings in National Math and Science League competitions, American Mathematics contest, and the Tennessee Mathematics Teachers' Association contest in Algebra I and Geometry
- C.L.U.E. for eligible high performing students
- Straight A scores on Tennessee State Report Card and Level 5 (highest rating) TVAAS school in all content areas
- Most advanced high school credit classes and exploratory options than any other middle school, including five world languages: Spanish, French, Latin, Japanese and Chinese.

### Activities

- Over 45 clubs and after-school activities- most of any SCS middle school: After School Care, Book Club, Chess, Coding, Dance Team, Debate, Drama, Engineering Club, International Club, Lego League, Majorettes, National Junior Beta Club, National Junior Honor Society, Robotics, Student Leadership, Quiz Bowl, Model United Nations, Step Team, Yearbook and World Language Clubs
- Championship-quality athletic teams and clubs: baseball, basketball, bowling, cheer, cross-country, football, golf, rugby, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track and volleyball

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[www.SCSK12.org/WhiteStationMiddle](http://www.SCSK12.org/WhiteStationMiddle)

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Located in East Memphis, we offer Enriched Academics with a focus on the arts and technology.



Willow Oaks has a long history of providing a multi-dimensional education with generations of high school and college graduates who have achieved successful careers within our local community.

### Points of Pride

- Art students win top honors in local and national competitions.
- Chorus students perform in school-wide productions, All-City and All-State Chorus.
- 75% of our teachers have advanced degrees.
- Technology offerings: coding, blogs, keyboarding, podcasts, web page development, virtual field trips and on-line book clubs.
- Community partners: Dixon Gardens, Cricket Wireless, Ric Nuber YMCA, U of M Athletics, local churches, private and parochial schools.

### Academics

- Students explore their diverse talents and interests in visual and creative arts, Orff music and technology.
- C.L.U.E. is available for high performing students.
- We provide innovative and creative experiences with Dixon artists, visual art classes/camps and the Kitchen Community.
- Accelerated Reader, Science Fair, Career Day and Scripps Spelling Bee enrich our academic studies.
- Students compete in local and state Science Fairs.
- TEAM Read

### Activities

- Book Club
- Beta Club
- Crafts Club
- Coding/Tech Club
- Gardening Club
- Girls in Pearls
- International Art Show
- LEGO Club
- Multicultural Celebrations
- Pep Club
- Piano
- S.T.E.M. Club
- Student Council
- Strings orchestra
- You Can Dance Initiative

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WILLOW OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (1-5)  
ENRICHED ACADEMICS THROUGH ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY





Our competitive Optional courses prepare students to enter the exciting career fields of Hospitality and Tourism.

# WOODDALE HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

COLLEGE PREPARATORY / HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM



**Our Hospitality and Tourism Optional program prepares learners for careers in management, marketing and operations for restaurants, attractions and travel-related services while laying a foundation for rigorous college studies.**

## Points of Pride

- Our Hospitality and Tourism students prepare for their future careers through marketing courses, internships, volunteering and job shadowing experiences.
- Our AP Art students have artwork displayed in the Memphis International Airport.
- Our students have won multiple Scholastic Art Gold Awards.

## Academics

- Our curriculum prepares students for a strong liberal arts education with challenging, honors-level and Advanced Placement course offerings.

### Hospitality & Tourism courses include:

- Hospitality and Tourism
- Exploration Honors
- Marketing Honors
- Hospitality Management Honors
- Event Planning

## Activities

- **Extracurricular activities include:**

National Honor Society, Rho-Kappa, boys and girls athletics, marching, concert and jazz band, ROTC rifle and drill teams, Student Council, Debate Team, peer mentoring and newspaper and yearbook staffs.

- **Clubs include:**

Aviation, Art, Student Council, French, Environmentalist, DECA, TSA, FCCLA, The Envoy Project, Peer Leadership, Men of Distinction (M.O.D.) and Wings.

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[www.SCSK12.org/WoodaleHigh](http://www.SCSK12.org/WoodaleHigh)

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# Application Process & Entrance Requirements

## Interested in applying to one of our Optional schools? Here's what you should know:

- ✓ Applications are required for every student interested in enrolling in an Optional Program and must be submitted online.
- ✓ The online application portal will be accessible on the SCS website, [www.scsk12.org](http://www.scsk12.org), beginning at 10 a.m., Monday, January 29, 2018. A valid email address is required in order to submit the application online.
- ✓ Sibling Preference is available for qualified students who are residents zoned to SCS with a sibling who is in the Optional Program at the same school and maintaining the Optional requirements. A sibling is a brother or sister who lives at the same address. Slots for qualified siblings are held for 10 working days. February 12, 2018 is the last day for sibling preference.
- ✓ Students are eligible for renewal transfers to the same school if they remain in that specific school's Optional Program all year and maintain the Optional school's renewal requirements. If a student wishes to attend a different Optional school, a new Application for Optional Schools must be submitted online.

***For additional information about the application process, including application dates and submission details, please download our FAQs at [www.scsk12.org/optional](http://www.scsk12.org/optional).***

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## Optional School Entrance Requirements

- ✓ Specific entrance requirements vary by school and program and are generally based on report cards and nationally normed test scores.
- ✓ A copy of the student's current comprehensive report card and nationally normed test scores are required (unless official online access is available).
- ✓ An original copy of the birth certificate is required for new SCS Kindergarten applicants.
- ✓ Transportation is the responsibility of the student's parents/legal guardians.
- ✓ Final approval is contingent upon review of students' second semester/final report card.

***Each Optional school's entrance requirements appear in alphabetical order on pages 55 - 67.***



# Entrance Requirements

## **Balmoral-Ridgeway Elementary**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests (applicants for first and second grades), scoring in the 70th percentile or above in total reading and total mathematics.
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on the most recent report card.
- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have a B average or above in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects, conduct and attendance (including promptness to school).
- Have no more than 15 absences, late arrivals and/or early dismissals for the year.
- To remain in the program, a student must maintain the entrance requirements for grades, conduct, skills and behaviors, academic and support subjects and attendance.

## **Bellevue Middle School**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Have A and B report card grade averages with no more than one C as a semester average in all subjects.
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- To remain in the program, a student must maintain a semester average of C or above, with no D's or below in all subjects, as well as satisfactory conduct and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class).
- Students must remain in the required Optional courses for each grade.

## **Bolton High School – International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme**

### *Applicants to the IB Programme must:*

- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have A's and B's and no more than one C as a semester average in academic subjects, with no D's or F's as a semester average in any subject.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- Enroll in at least six IB courses during their junior and senior years.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must submit a Renewal Application for Optional Schools, maintain a yearly average of C or above in each subject per semester and enroll in the required program's courses. Also, the entrance requirements for conduct and attendance must be maintained.

## **Bolton High School – Automotive Technology / Information Technology / AGRI-STEM**

### *Applicants to the AT/IT/Agri-STEM program must:*

- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have no grade below a C as a semester average in academic subjects, with no D's or F's as a semester average in any subject.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must submit a Renewal Application for Optional Schools, maintain a yearly average of C or above in each subject per semester and enroll in the required program's courses. Also, the entrance requirements for conduct and attendance must be maintained.



# Entrance Requirements

## **Brewster Elementary School**

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, attaining the 60th percentile or above in total reading and total mathematics (first- and second-grade applicants).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (first-grade applicants).
- Score at or above the 60th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 60th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have no grade below a B for a semester or final average in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects, conduct and attendance (applicants for grades two through five).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school (no more than 15 absences, late arrivals, and/or early dismissals).
- To remain in the program, a student must maintain the listed requirements for grades, conduct, skills and behaviors and attendance.

## **Brownsville Road Elementary School**

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, attaining the 60th percentile or above in total reading and total mathematics (first- and second-grade applicants).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (first-grade applicants).
- Score at or above the 60th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 60th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have no grade below a B for a semester or final average in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects, conduct and attendance (applicants for grades two through five).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school (no more than 15 absences, late arrivals and/or early dismissals).
- To remain in the program, a student must maintain the listed requirements for grades, conduct, skills and behaviors and attendance.

## **Central High School**

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have a semester average of 3.0 in academic subjects with no grade below a C for the semester.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- Applicants for eleventh grade must submit a transcript showing all high school work to date.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must submit a Renewal Optional Application and maintain the entrance requirements for grades, conduct and attendance.
- Students must enroll in the required Honors courses each semester.



# Entrance Requirements

## Colonial Middle School

*Applicants to the Creative and Performing Arts program must:*

- Have report card grades of A's and B's with no grades below a C as a semester average.
- Have satisfactory audition/interview/portfolio (Colonial staff will contact students who meet minimum entrance requirements).
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- To remain in the Creative and Performing Arts Optional Program, students must maintain at least a C average with no semester or final grade of D or below, fulfill all requirements of the major department, and have satisfactory conduct and attendance.

*Applicants to the Enriched Academics program must:*

- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have report card grades of A's and B's with no more than one C as a semester average.
- To remain in the Enriched Academics Optional Program, students must maintain a C average or above in Enriched/Honors classes with no semester or final grade of D or below.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.

## Cordova Elementary School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, attaining the 65th percentile or above in total reading and total mathematics (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have a B average or above in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects, conduct and attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies, and/or early dismissals (applicants for grades two through five).
- To remain in the program, a student must maintain an A or B average in all academic subjects and have satisfactory grades in special subjects, skills and behaviors, conduct and attendance (including promptness to school).

## Cordova Middle School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have A's and B's with no more than one C as a semester average in all subjects on the most recent comprehensive report card and satisfactory grades in special subjects, conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- To remain in the program, students must maintain an A's, B's and C's in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects, conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).

## Craigmont High School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts assessment, score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have A or B semester averages with no more than one C as a semester average in any academic subject prior to admission.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- To remain in the program, students must maintain an average of C or above in each subject each semester, with no grade lower than a C in any academic subject, participate in all enrichment activities and projects and maintain a record of satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences or tardies).
- Students who maintain the Optional renewal requirements for Craigmont Middle School will be accepted into Craigmont High School's Optional Program on a continuation basis.



# Entrance Requirements

## **Craigmont Middle School**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts assessment, score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have A or B report card grades with no more than one semester average of C in any academic subject prior to admission and satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- To remain in the program, students must maintain an overall C or above average each semester with no grade less than C in any academic subject as well as satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- Students who maintain the Optional renewal requirements for Craigmont Middle School will be accepted into Craigmont High School's Optional Program on a continuation basis.

## **Cummings School (1-8)**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, attaining the 50th percentile or above in total reading and total mathematics (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Have a B average or above in all academic and support subjects and conduct (applicants for grades two through eight).
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through eighth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the program, a student must maintain an overall C average in academic courses and satisfactory grades in support subjects, have no semester grade lower than a C or S, have no F's or U's on the report card, maintain entrance requirements for conduct, academic and support subjects, skills and behaviors and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals).
- Parents must sign the Parent Agreement annually.

## **Delano Elementary School**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, attaining the 50th percentile or above in total reading and total math (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Have successfully completed the previous year's grade-level reader, have no final grades below C and satisfactory or above grades in special subjects (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the program, a student must maintain C's or above in academic subjects and grades of satisfactory or above in support subjects. The entrance requirements for conduct, skills and behaviors and attendance must be maintained.
- Parents must sign the Parent Agreement annually.

## **Double Tree Elementary School**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Provide original copy of birth certificate (applicants for Kindergarten).
- Provide a copy of most recent comprehensive report card (transfer applicants).
- Have satisfactory conduct and/or skills and behaviors (applicants for grades one through five).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- If a family chooses to move outside of Double Tree's boundaries, the student must meet the Optional Program's requirements to remain at the school.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain all of the entrance requirements.



# Entrance Requirements

## Douglass High School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts assessment, score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have A's or B's with no more than two C's as semester averages.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- Submit one letter of recommendation from a community leader or teacher.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain grades of A's, B's, or C's, with no grade lower than a C for a semester average in any class, and have satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- The PSAT/NMSQT is required in the 10th and 11th grades.
- Students are required to complete 50 public service hours prior to graduation. Each grade level has its own service activity each year. Special projects can secure additional hours toward a student's senior project. Specific course selection requirements and public service will be discussed when applicants are approved. Students are required to complete all courses and a senior project for graduation.

## Douglass School (K-8)

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Submit an original copy of birth certificate (applicants for Kindergarten).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Have satisfactory conduct, C's or above in all academic subjects, as well as satisfactory grades in all support subjects on most recent comprehensive report card (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts assessment, score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for sixth through eighth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school and to each class, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the program, a student must meet and maintain all of the entrance requirements, including grades, conduct, skills and behaviors, academic and support subjects and attendance. Students must earn a total of 50 public service hours prior to completing eighth grade.
- Students who are accepted into the Optional Program at Douglass Middle School and who meet renewal requirements will be accepted into the Douglass High School Optional Program on a continuation basis.

## Downtown Elementary School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, scoring in the 65th percentile or above in total reading and total mathematics (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on their most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Have successfully completed the previous year's grade-level reader and have no semester or final grades below C (satisfactory or above in special subjects).
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance (no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals for applicants to second through fifth grades).
- Score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Parents must sign the Parent Agreement annually.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain the entrance requirements for grades, conduct and attendance.



# Entrance Requirements

## **East High School (Entry Grade:9)**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Submit a copy of the most recent comprehensive report card showing a 3.0 GPA with no grade below a C for the semester average in any subject.
- Have satisfactory or above conduct and attendance, with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies/early dismissals to school or to class.
- Students and parents are required to sign a Parent/Student agreement. An interview will be scheduled for students who meet the minimum requirements.
- Preference will be given to qualified students who live within two miles of the school for 50 percent of the available slots for the first 10 working days of the Optional Application process. The remaining slots will be open to students who qualify.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain a semester average of C or above in each subject and meet the entrance requirements for conduct and attendance.

## **John P. Freeman Optional School (1-8)**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, scoring at or above the 65th percentile in total reading and total math (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and demonstrate mastery of standards in academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through eighth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory conduct in academic and support subjects and all A's and B's, with no more than one C as a semester average in all subjects on latest comprehensive report card (applicants for second through eighth grades).
- For renewals, applicants must maintain an overall C average or above in academic courses and satisfactory or above grades in support subjects for semester averages, with no F's or U's on the report card.
- For all grades, all new and renewal applicants must have satisfactory conduct, skills and behaviors and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals for the year).

## **Germantown Elementary School**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, scoring in the 70th percentile or above in total reading and total math (applicants for first and second grades).
- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Have all A's, B's, E's, and S's in all subject areas on most recent report card (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain the listed requirements for grades, conduct, skills and behaviors, academic and support subjects, attendance and parent support. Application for admission must be renewed yearly.

## **Germantown High School – International Baccalaureate (IB) & College Prep**

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Submit a copy of the most recent comprehensive report card showing A's and B's, with no more than one C as a semester average in academic subjects, with no D's or F's as a semester average in any subject.
- Score at or above the 80th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 80th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have satisfactory conduct grades and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- The IB Coordinator will contact students who qualify for the program to schedule a personal interview and writing exercise.
- To remain in the program, a student must maintain an average of C or above in each subject per semester. Students must enroll in the appropriate courses each year to meet the program's requirements. The entrance requirements for conduct and attendance must be maintained.



# Entrance Requirements

## Germantown High School – Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA)

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Submit a copy of the most recent comprehensive report card showing A's B's, and no more than three C's in academic subjects, with no D's or F's as a semester average in any subject.
- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have satisfactory conduct grades and attendance records (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- Schedule an appointment with the Creative and Performing Arts Faculty Council for an interview and/or audition.
- Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) students are required to participate in preparation, rehearsals, business management, and performances beyond the regular school day. Students enrolled in the CAPA program pursue a major in one area of the Creative and Performing Arts while working to meet all state requirements for graduation.
- To remain in the program, a student must maintain an average of C or above in each subject per semester. Students must enroll in the appropriate courses each year to meet the program's requirements. The entrance requirements for conduct and attendance must be maintained.

## Germantown Middle School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Have A's and B's, with no more than one C on the most recent comprehensive report card as a semester average.
- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain an average of C or above in each subject each semester, as well as satisfactory conduct and attendance.

## Grahamwood Elementary School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, scoring in the 80th percentile or above in total reading and total math (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 80th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 80th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have A's, B's, E's, and S's in all subject areas and satisfactory conduct on most recent comprehensive report card (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain the listed requirements for grades, conduct, skills and behaviors, academic and support subjects, attendance and parent support. Application for admission must be renewed yearly.

## Havenview Middle School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Have A's and B's, with no more than one C as a semester average in all subjects on the most recent comprehensive report card.
- Score at or above the 55th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 55th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain a semester average of C or above in all subjects, with no D's or below in any subject. The entrance requirements for conduct and attendance must be maintained. Students must enroll in the required Optional courses for each grade to remain in Havenview's Optional Program.



# Entrance Requirements

## Idlewild Elementary School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Provide original copy of birth certificate (applicants for Kindergarten).
- Provide a copy of most recent comprehensive report card.
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors (applicants for first grade).
- Have satisfactory conduct on most recent comprehensive report card (applicants for grades two through five).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school, on most recent comprehensive report card, with no more than 15 absences, tardies or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain entrance requirements.
- If a family chooses to move outside Idlewild School's boundaries, the student must meet the Optional Program's requirements to remain at the school.

## Keystone Elementary School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, scoring at or above the 50th percentile in total reading and total mathematics (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have a C average or above in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects and conduct (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school, on most recent comprehensive report card, with no more than 15 absences, tardies or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain an overall C average in all academic subjects, S's or E's in support classes, and satisfactory conduct, skills and behaviors and attendance (including promptness to school, early dismissals and tardies).

## Kingsbury High School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Have all A's and B's, with no more than one C on the most recent report card.
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance (including promptness to school and to each class), with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- The PSAT/NMSQT is required in the tenth and eleventh grades.
- To remain in the program, students must maintain the program requirements, a C or above in each course per semester and satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class.

## Oak Forest Elementary School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, scoring at or above the 65th percentile in total reading and total mathematics (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have a B average or above in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects and conduct (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Have satisfactory conduct, skills and behaviors, and attendance, including promptness to school, as shown on most recent report card, with no more than 15 absences, tardies or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain a B average in all academic areas, as well as the entrance requirements of satisfactory conduct, skills and behaviors, academic and support subjects and attendance.
- If a family chooses to move outside Oak Forest's boundaries, the student must meet the Optional Program requirements to remain at the school.



# Entrance Requirements

## Overton High School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Have a 2.0 grade point average with no grade lower than a D for each semester or final grade, along with satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class, with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Successfully complete an interview and audition, in addition to the academic, conduct and attendance requirements.
- Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) students must attend an extra hour each day in a specialized CAPA class and agree to meet all the requirements of the student's major department. Students transferring on a continuation basis from Colonial Middle School's CAPA Program must complete an audition to determine class-level placement.
- Students will be contacted by Overton's CAPA staff to schedule audition and interview.
- To remain in the CAPA program, students must maintain program requirements and maintain the admission requirements for grades, attendance and conduct.

## Peabody Elementary School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, scoring at or above the 60th percentile in total reading and total mathematics (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 60th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 60th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have all A's, B's, E's, G's, and S's in all academic subjects, special subjects, and conduct (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain the listed requirements for grades, conduct, skills and behaviors and attendance. Application for admission must be renewed yearly.

## Ridgeway High School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have A's or B's and no more than one C as a semester average in an academic subject. D's or F's are not acceptable for a grade in any semester average. Applicant's report card must show satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class, with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- Students must enroll in at least six IB courses in their junior year and complete their required IB coursework in their senior year. Participation in Ridgeway's IB Prep/Honors College Preparatory Program in ninth and tenth grades is required for students to enroll in the IB Diploma Programme in the eleventh grade. Other specific admissions criteria, including coursework and End-of-Course requirements, must be fulfilled prior to admission. Such criteria are grade-specific and are available to parents and students once the initial Application for Optional Schools is approved.
- In addition to the IB Diploma Programme requirements, students are required to take all courses required for graduation by the State of Tennessee.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain a yearly average of 3.0 in academic subjects with no semester average below a C, enroll in the required courses and maintain satisfactory conduct and attendance.

## Ridgeway Middle School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have A's and B's, with no more than one C as a semester average in an academic subject. D's or F's are not acceptable for a grade in any semester average.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies) on report card.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain an overall C average or above in all subjects, as well as satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class.



# Entrance Requirements

## Riverwood Elementary School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, scoring at or above the 70th percentile in total reading and total mathematics (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have a B average or above in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects, conduct and attendance, with no more than 15 absences, tardies or early dismissals (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain the listed requirements for grades, conduct, skills and behaviors, academic and support subjects, attendance and parent support.

## Rozelle Elementary School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Submit original copy of birth certificate (applicants for Kindergarten).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Have a C average or above in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects, conduct and attendance, with no more than 15 absences, tardies or early dismissals (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Demands placed on students as a result of the Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) Program dictate that students demonstrate self-motivation, discipline, and a high standard of academic performance. Students may be required to participate in after school CAPA activities.
- All of the entrance requirements must be maintained to remain in the Optional Program.

## Sherwood Elementary School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Score in the 55th percentile or above in total reading and total mathematics on the Optional Schools admittance tests (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have earned Mastery for 85 percent or more of the second quarter in Kindergarten Report Card Skills; at the end of the fourth quarter, have earned Mastery or Completion for 85 percent or more of the fourth quarter Kindergarten Report Card Skills; and have earned a grade of S or above in all skills and behaviors that support learning after the second quarter, with no conduct or content grades below S in support classes after the first quarter (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 55th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 55th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have a C average or above in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects, conduct and attendance, with no more than 15 absences, tardies or early dismissals (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain the above listed requirements for report card grades, conduct, skills and behaviors and attendance.

## Maxine Smith STEAM Academy

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- Have grades of A's and B's, with no more than one C as a semester average, on most recent report card.
- Score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have conduct grades of satisfactory or above.
- Have satisfactory attendance (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies to school or to class).
- Students and parents will be required to sign a Parent Student Agreement stating that they understand the expectations of this program and are committed to maintaining them. Once it is determined that the student meets the minimum requirements, an interview will be scheduled. In conjunction with the interview, students must complete a writing sample.
- Students are required to participate in our Experiential Lab which is an extended school day for an additional 45 minutes one day each week to complete STEM laboratory activities.
- All students will be on an Optional transfer and must meet and maintain the minimum entrance requirements. Preference will be given to qualified students who live within two miles of the school for 50 percent of the available slots for the first 10 working days of the Optional Application process. The remaining slots will be open to students who qualify.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain an average of C or above in each subject, each semester, participate in extended day activities and meet the entrance requirements for conduct and attendance.



# Entrance Requirements

## **Snowden School (1-8)**

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Attain the 70th percentile or above in total reading and total mathematics on the Optional Schools admittance tests (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through eighth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have all A's and B's with no more than one C as a semester average, satisfactory grades in conduct and satisfactory progress in the non-academic subject areas on the most recent comprehensive report card (applicants for second through eighth grades).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school and to each class, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, a student must maintain an average of C or S in each subject, each semester. All students must maintain the entrance requirements for standards in academic and support subjects, conduct, skills and behaviors and attendance.

## **Springdale-Memphis Magnet Elementary School**

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Submit an original copy of birth certificate (applicants for Kindergarten).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors on the most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Have satisfactory conduct on the most recent report card (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain all of the entrance requirements.

## **Treadwell Elementary School (Entry Grade: Kindergarten)**

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Submit an original copy of the student's birth certificate (applicants for Kindergarten).
- Have parents/legal guardians sign the Parent Agreement annually.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain A's, B's, and C's in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects and satisfactory conduct.
- Kindergarten students must earn M (Mastery) or C (Completion) for 80 percent or more of the report card standards in order to remain in the program.
- Satisfactory attendance is required. A total of 15 or more absences, tardies and/or early dismissals a year is considered unsatisfactory.

## **Vollentine Elementary School**

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Submit an original copy of the student's birth certificate (applicants for Kindergarten).
- Provide a copy of the most recent report card.
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and satisfactory grades in conduct on the most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Have a C average or above in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects and conduct on the most recent report card (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain all of the entrance requirements.

## **Whitehaven Elementary School**

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Take the Optional Schools admittance tests, attaining the 55th percentile or above in total reading and total mathematics (applicants for first and second grades).
- Have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in all academic and support subjects on the most recent report card (applicants for first grade).
- Score at or above the 55th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 55th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test (applicants for third through fifth grades). Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have a B average or above in all academic subjects and satisfactory grades in special subjects and conduct (applicants for second through fifth grades).
- Have satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals (all applicants).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must meet all of the entrance requirements for grades, academic and support subjects, conduct, skills and behaviors and attendance.



# Entrance Requirements

## Whitehaven High School – Business & Finance

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Have a 2.5 semester GPA, with no D's or F's for semester or yearly average, and satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class, with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Students must actively participate in a co-curricular club (FBLA or DECA) and complete the recommended course of study. Students must complete an elective focus in Marketing, Finance or Business Management and Administration. Students are required to take the corresponding certification exam for the appropriate elective focus.
- To remain in the Optional Program, a student must enroll in the required courses, maintain a 2.5 semester GPA with no D's or F's for semester or yearly average, with satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class. Renewal applications must be submitted annually.

## Whitehaven High School – College Prep

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Have a 3.0 semester GPA in academic courses, with no D's or F's for semester or yearly average, and satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class, with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- Score at or above the 70th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 70th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- To remain in the Optional Program, a student must maintain a 3.0 semester GPA in academic subjects, with no D's or F's for semester or yearly average, and satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class. Required coursework for Optional students includes taking Honors English and Honors Mathematics each year and at least one other Honors-level course. Students must take the coursework required for college entrance. Optional students must take the PSAT/NMSQT and/or the ACT in the tenth and eleventh grades.

## White Station High School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Submit a copy of the most recent comprehensive report card showing A's and B's, with no more than one C as a semester average in academic subjects and no D's or F's as a semester average in any subject.
- Score at or above the 80th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 80th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have satisfactory conduct grades and attendance records, including promptness to school and to each class, with no more than 15 absences and/or tardies.
- Students are required to enroll in Honors courses beginning in grade nine and continuing through grade 12. Students are required to take all courses required for graduation at the Honors/AP level.
- Students who maintain the Optional renewal requirements for White Station Middle School will be accepted into White Station High School's Optional Program on a continuation basis.
- To remain in the Optional Program, a student must maintain an average of C or above in each subject per semester. The entrance requirements for conduct and attendance must also be maintained.

## White Station Middle School

*Applicants to the program must:*

- Have A's and B's, with no more than one C on the most recent comprehensive report card as a semester average.
- Score at or above the 80th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 80th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement test. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- Have satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain an average of C or above in each subject, each semester, and the entrance requirements for conduct and attendance.
- Students who are accepted into the Optional Program at White Station Middle School and who meet renewal requirements will be accepted into the White Station High School Optional Program on a continuation basis.



# Entrance Requirements

## Willow Oaks Elementary School

### *Applicants to the program must:*

- First and second grade applicants must take the Optional Schools admittance tests, scoring at or above the 65th percentile for Total Reading and Total Math.
- First grade applicants must have satisfactory skills and behaviors and achieve mastery in academic and support subjects on the most recent kindergarten report card.
- Second – fifth grade applicants must have a semester or final report card grade of a C or better in all academic subjects, with an E, G, or S in conduct and support subjects (P.E., Art, Computer and Music).
- Third – fifth grade applicants must score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Total Mathematics/Mathematics Composite of the NWEA MAP **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment. Acceptable tests must be dated Spring 2017 or later.
- All applicants must have satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school, with no more than 15 absences, tardies and/or early dismissals.
- To remain in the Optional Program, students must maintain the entrance requirements for grades, conduct, skills and behaviors, academic and support subjects and attendance.

## Wooddale High School

### *Applicants to the College Prep program must:*

- Score at or above the 65th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 65th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- Have a minimum semester GPA of 2.5, no grade below a C as a semester average and satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- To remain in the program, students must maintain a C or above in each course for the semester average. Students must also maintain satisfactory attendance, including promptness to school and to each class, and satisfactory conduct.

### *Hospitality and Tourism program must:*

- Submit a copy of their most recent comprehensive report card with a 2.0 or above grade point average and no grade below a C as a semester average and satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class, (no more than 15 absences and/or tardies).
- Score at or above the 50th percentile on the TCAP TNReady English Language Arts and the TCAP TNReady Mathematics assessments; score at or above the 50th percentile on the Total Reading/Reading Composite and Mathematics subtests of the NWEA MAP, a TCAP End of Course test **and/or** another acceptable nationally normed achievement assessment, including the ACT, PSAT or SAT (Reading/Critical Reading and Mathematics) with the assessment being administered no more than one year prior to the date of application for Optional Schools.
- To remain in the program, students must maintain a C or above in each course for the semester average. Students must also maintain satisfactory conduct and attendance, including promptness to school and to each class.





***"Optional programs foster an environment to learn freely and allow students to become well acquainted in the arts, social experiences and ethical behavior. As a product of the program (grades 1-12), it instilled in me the importance of self-discipline. I was taught at a young age to not only set goals, but to meet and exceed them no matter how daunting the task may seem."***

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