

# 2010-11 Magnet Elementary Schools

## CPS' Magnet Schools Offer Choices For All Students

Open to all Cincinnati Public Schools' students, CPS' magnet elementary schools offer programs aimed at students' different interests and learning styles.

There are seven magnet programs offered at schools located around the district.

Started in the 1970s, CPS' nationally recognized magnet elementary schools give all parents many choices for their children's education. The magnet choices include teaching styles, such as Montessori and Paideia, and content focuses, such as foreign language, the arts and college-preparatory curriculums.

### Important recent changes to the magnet application process:

★ CPS now divides the district into two areas called East and West to simplify the application process.

Interstate 75 serves roughly as the East/West dividing line, based on a student's home address. To be eligible for transportation, a parent should select from among the magnet schools in the area assigned to the home address.

★ Magnet schools designated as "citywide" may accept students from the entire district.

★ Cincinnati Public Schools no longer considers a student's race or gender for acceptance into magnet schools, in response to a recent U. S. Supreme Court ruling.

All CPS magnet elementary schools are open to all students, including students with disabilities.

## Sign-up Dates for 2010-11

### Early Application – November 2-13, 2009

Students participating in the Early Application period must meet a school's eligibility requirements, if any.

**Parents must go to the school to put in an application. Call the school for application hours.**

#### Who can apply during this period?

★ A sibling of a student already enrolled in a magnet school may apply to the sibling's magnet school.

★ All student enrolled now at Schiel Primary School for Arts Enrichment (a K-3 magnet school) may apply for entrance to the new SCPA or another magnet school.

★ Sixth-graders in Montessori elementary schools must apply to one of two Montessori high schools for 7th grade to continue in the program.

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### Regular Application (In-Area and Citywide) – November 18, 2009

Application period begins for students who:

- ★ **live within the areas (East or West)** of the magnet elementary schools they want to attend.
- ★ want to apply to **citywide** magnet schools.

This period continues until June 30, 2010.

**Parents must go to the school to put in an application. Call the school for application hours.**

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### Out-of-Area Application – January 19, 2010

Sign-up begins for any student who lives **outside the area** of a chosen magnet elementary school. A magnet school may accept out-of-area applications only if the school has no waiting list.

**Parents must go to the school to put in an application. Call the school for application hours.**

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★ All magnet applications will be stamped with date and time.

★ **No applications will be accepted, and no waiting lists created, prior to the start of the official application cycle on November 2, 2009.**

## Explore Your Choices

Preschool-8th Grade

### Magnet School Showcase

4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Tuesday, October 27, 2009

CPS' Education Center

2651 Burnet Avenue, (45219) Corryville

## General Information

- ★ **Application is handled entirely at the magnet school the child wants to attend.**
- ★ **Call the school for application hours.**

Parents are encouraged to apply early. Students are accepted into magnet elementary schools on a first-come basis. Students not accepted into magnet programs will attend their neighborhood elementary schools.
- ★ **Waiting Lists:** A student's name may be on a waiting list at several magnet schools. **However, once the student is accepted into a magnet school, the student's name is removed from all waiting lists.**
- ★ **Acceptance:** If space is available and all entrance requirements are met, a student will be accepted immediately into the magnet program when the parent comes to the school to apply.
- ★ **Application Forms:** Application forms will be available at the schools and on the CPS Web site ([www.cps-k12.org](http://www.cps-k12.org)) starting in late October 2009. The completed application form must be taken to the magnet school for the application process to begin.
- ★ **Enrollment:** After a child is accepted into a magnet school and before the school year begins, the parent must fill out a CPS enrollment form to complete the process.
- ★ **Area or Citywide:** A parent may apply to place a child in either a citywide magnet school or the magnet school serving the area (East or West) where the child lives. Interstate 75 serves roughly as the East/West dividing line.

Out-of-area applications are accepted only if the school has no waiting list on January 19, 2010.
- ★ **Transportation:** A student enrolled in the assigned area magnet school or a citywide magnet school is eligible for transportation provided by the district if the student lives more than three-quarters of a mile from the school. If a student enrolls outside the assigned area, parents must provide transportation to and from school.

**Transportation Department: 363-0330**
- ★ **Student Services:** All CPS magnet elementary schools are open to students with disabilities.

**Student Services: 363-0280**

## Magnet Preschool Information

- ★ Preschool applicants may apply throughout the year as they turn age 3. Montessori applicants must be age 3 or 4 by September 30, 2010.
- ★ Tuition is \$2,900 per school year for half-day preschool and \$5,500 per school year for full-day preschool.
- ★ Tuition is not charged to parents whose income levels qualify them for programs paid for with the Early Childhood Education (ECE) grant. The number of these slots are very limited, and parents must bring proof of income to the school when applying (such as a federal or state income-tax return or current pay stub without overtime).

Parents must check a box on the application to show that they are applying to a tuition or an ECE-subsidized slot.
- ★ **A child accepted into a magnet preschool may stay in that magnet school for higher grades without reapplying.**
- ★ **Transportation is not provided for preschoolers.**

### Magnet Preschools:

West:	<b>Dater Montessori</b> (preschool to grade 6) 1700 Grand Avenue, 45214, 363-0900
	<b>Roberts Paideia</b> (preschool to grade 8) 1702 Grand Avenue, 45214, 363-4600
	<b>Winton Montessori</b> (preschool to grade 6) 4750 Winton Road, 45232, 363-6200
East:	<b>North Avondale Montessori</b> (preschool to grade 6) 876 Glenwood Avenue, 45229, 363-3900
	<b>Sands Montessori</b> (preschool to grade 6) 6421 Corbly Street, 45230, 363-5000
	<b>Woodford Paideia</b> (preschool to grade 6) 3500 Lumford Place, 45213, 363-6400
Citywide:	<b>Academy of Multilingual Immersion Studies (AMIS)</b> (preschool to grade 8) 7001 Reading Road, 45237, 363-1800 Full-day program; English is spoken in preschool.
	<b>Academy of World Languages (AWL)</b> (preschool to grade 8) 2030 Fairfax Avenue, 45207, 363-7800
	<b>Fairview-Clifton German Language School</b> (preschool to grade 6) 3689 Clifton Avenue, 45220, 363-2100

## Magnet Kindergarten Information

Magnet programs offer all-day kindergarten. Children must be age 5 by September 30, 2010, to enter kindergarten for the 2010-11 school year.

## Magnet Area Information 2010-11

### You are in the West Area

*if your assigned neighborhood elementary school is*

Carson	Mt. Airy	Sayler Park
Chase	Oyler	Taylor
Cheviot	Pleasant Hill	Westwood
Covedale	Price	Winton Hills
Hartwell	Quebec Heights	
Midway	Roll Hill	

### You are in the East Area

*if your assigned neighborhood elementary school is*

Bond Hill	Parker	Silverton
Douglass	Pleasant Ridge	South Avondale
Hays-Porter	Riverview East	Taft Elementary
Hoffman-Parham	Rockdale	
Kilgour	Roselawn Condon	
Mt. Washington	Rothenberg	

If you do not know your child's assigned elementary school (assigned based on a student's home address), call the Customer Help Center, 363-0123, or visit the CPS Web site, [www.cps-k12.org](http://www.cps-k12.org), and click on Schools, then Street Layout Guide.

# Magnet Programs and Schools 2010-11

## ★ Elementary College Preparatory

The college-preparatory program helps students who score above average on standardized tests to build solid academic skills to prepare for high school and beyond. It aims to increase comprehension abilities and broaden reading, study and leadership skills. Students are introduced to Latin, explore the scientific method and must complete research papers in each grade.

### Schools:

West: **Covedale** (grades 4-6 magnet) **New Building 2008**  
5130 Sidney Road, 45238 Phone: 363-1700  
**Pleasant Hill** (grades 4-8 magnet) **New Building 2005**  
1350 W. North Bend Road, 45224 Phone: 363-4300

East: **Mt. Washington** (grades 4-8 magnet) **Finish Renovation 2012**  
3401 Edwards Road, 45208 Phone: 363-3800  
**Parker** (grades 4-8 magnet) **New Building 2009**  
5051 Anderson Place, 45227 Phone: 363-2900  
**Roselawn Condon** (grades 4-8 magnet) **Finished Renovation 2008**  
7735 Greenland Place, 45237 Phone: 363-4800

*Admission is based on a student's performance in reading and math on the Ohio Achievement Test or on a standardized achievement test. On the Ohio Achievement Test, a student must have scored in the accelerated or advanced level. On a standardized test, a student must have scored above the 66<sup>th</sup> national percentile rank in one subject (reading or math) and scored no lower than the 50<sup>th</sup> national percentile rank in the other subject (reading or math).*

## ★ Foreign Language and Culture

Programs in foreign language offer students the choice of study in seven languages and cultures — Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Russian and Spanish — plus English as a Second Language.

### Schools:

Citywide: **Academy of Multilingual Immersion Studies (AMIS)** (preschool to grade 8) **New Building 2010**  
French, Spanish and English as a Second Language  
7001 Reading Road, 45237 Phone: 363-1800  
*Students without language experience in French or Spanish are accepted only in preschool, kindergarten and first grade. For grades 2-8, only students who are native speakers of French or Spanish, or who come from immersion schools, will be accepted.*

Citywide: **Academy of World Languages (AWL)** (preschool to grade 8) **New Building 2007**  
Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Russian and English as a Second Language  
2030 Fairfax Avenue, 45207 Phone: 363-7800  
*Students without experience in AWL's languages are accepted in preschool, kindergarten and first grade. For other grades, an interview is required to consider a student without language experience.*

Citywide: **Fairview-Clifton German Language School** (preschool to grade 6) German **New Building 2008**  
3689 Clifton Avenue, 45220 Phone: 363-2100  
*Students without language experience in German are accepted only in preschool, kindergarten and first grade. For grades 2-4, an interview is required to consider a student without language experience, and, if accepted, after-school tutoring in German is required. Students in grades 5-6 are accepted based on interviews and prior German experience.*

## ★ Montessori

A Montessori classroom environment is designed to develop the whole child and to teach students skills for life. Students don't always sit in desks lined up in rows, but, instead, often work alone or in small groups at tables. Montessori classes are multiage groups, where younger children and older children learn from each other. Students develop valuable social skills by learning to work with others and through volunteer service projects. A parent's involvement is a critical part of the Montessori program.

Montessori is a teaching style modeled after the work of 20<sup>th</sup>-century Italian physician and scholar Maria Montessori, who believed in encouraging a child's natural willingness to learn.

### Schools:

West: **Dater Montessori** (preschool to grade 6) **Finish Renovation 2010**  
1700 Grand Avenue, 45214 Phone: 363-0900  
**Winton Montessori** (preschool to grade 6)  
4750 Winton Road, 45232 Phone: 363-6200

East: **North Avondale Montessori** **New Building 2010**  
(preschool to grade 6)  
876 Glenwood Avenue, 45229 Phone: 363-3900  
**Sands Montessori** (preschool to grade 6) **New Building 2010**  
6421 Corbly Street, 45230 Phone: 363-5000

Citywide: **Clark Montessori** (grades 7-8)  
5425 Winton Ridge Lane, 45232 Phone: 363-7100

**West Side Montessori** (grades 7-8)  
5425 Winton Ridge Lane, 45232 Phone: 363-2600

*Students without Montessori experience are accepted only for preschool and kindergarten. Students in higher grades without Montessori experience must go through an interview process to be considered for acceptance.*

## ★ Paideia (py-day-uh)

Paideia comes from the Greek for "the upbringing of a child," meaning the process of educating children so they attain optimum potential and live successful lives. The development of good habits, grounded in the values of citizenship and leadership is a fundamental tenet of this philosophy.

The Paideia curriculum provides three modes of instruction:

Didactic instruction enables students to get the facts by introducing students to concepts from listening, reading and observing.

Coaching requires students to work with information learned in the didactic lessons by practicing and applying concepts under the guidance of trained teachers. Parents act as coaches when they help students with homework assignments.

Socratic seminars use questioning that requires students to think critically. The seminar is excellent preparation for law school or fields that draw conclusions based upon evidence.

### Schools:

West: **Roberts** (preschool to grade 8) **New Building 2007**  
1702 Grand Avenue, 45214 Phone: 363-4600

East: **Silverton** (kindergarten to grade 6) **New Building 2012**  
6829 Stewart Road, 45236 Phone: 363-5400  
**Woodford** (preschool to grade 6) **New Building 2011**  
3500 Lumford Place, 45213 Phone: 363-6400  
**Shroder** (grades 7-8 magnet) **New Building 2007**  
5030 Duck Creek Road, 45227 Phone: 363-6900

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★ **Arts**

Study of the arts helps teach valuable study and thinking skills while enhancing a child's learning experience.

**School:**

Citywide: **School for Creative and Performing Arts (SCPA)**  
(grades K-8 magnet)

**New  
Building  
2010**

1310 Sycamore Street Phone: 363-8000

Starting August 2010, CPS will merge Schiel Primary School for Arts Enrichment (K-3) into the School for Creative and Performing Arts (SCPA). It will open in a new building at 108 W. Central Parkway, 45202, as the nation's first K-12 public school devoted to the arts.

**All Schiel current students in K-3 are welcome to enter the new SCPA, with the following provisions:**

- All parents must fill out a Statement of Intention form to show they want to enroll their children in the new SCPA. Forms will be mailed to parents by Oct. 14, 2009, and are available at Schiel, and must be returned to Schiel by **Nov. 13, 2009**, to reserve a spot.
- **After Nov. 13, 2009, all remaining spots at new SCPA for 2010-11 will be filled with students from other schools.**

**Schiel's third-graders:**

- Must participate in an Arts Placement Evaluation at Schiel on Nov. 20, 2009, to see which artistic major(s) best suits each child. This evaluation includes drama, visual arts, creative writing, playing an instrument (if applicable), singing and dancing. Students who do not show current artistic ability will enter a beginning instrumental music major.

**Schiel's students in kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades:**

- Parents must complete an Artistic Information Sheet (mailed to parents by Oct. 10, 2009, and available in Schiel's office); sheet must be returned to Schiel's office by **Nov. 13, 2009**, to reserve a spot.

**Incoming kindergarteners to the new SCPA:**

- Parents apply starting Nov. 18, 2009, at the Schiel Primary School building, 2821 Vine Street, 45219.
- Siblings of current Schiel students are given priority, and must apply at Schiel between Nov. 2-13, 2009.

**SCPA continued**

**Students from other schools entering new SCPA at 1-3:**

- Parents may pick up a grade 1-3 application from SCPA, 1310 Sycamore Street, starting Nov. 18, 2009; after it is turned in, an interview date will be assigned.

**Grades 4-8 from other schools:** Acceptance is based on a successful audition, which will be scheduled after an application form is submitted to the school. Call 363-8000 to begin the application process.

★ **Fundamental Academy**

This program fits well with children who thrive in a highly structured environment, are well-disciplined, and have good work and study habits. Primary emphasis is placed on helping students master basic skills and develop good character. The curriculum design focuses on strengthening reading skills through teaching techniques.

Parents will be interviewed when they come to apply and should bring their children's most recent report cards.

**School:**

West: **College Hill** (kindergarten to grade 6)

1402 W. North Bend Road, 45224 Phone: 363-1600

**Finish  
Renovation  
2010**

★ **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math)**

The STEM program focuses on showing students the value of learning skills in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Students learn to become critical thinkers, with hands-on academic experience using many innovative new technologies. For example, students start in kindergarten learning to use digital cameras, camcorders and Promethean Boards (interactive educational software).

The elementary program prepares students for Hughes STEM High School. W. H. Taft Elementary School is one of the first STEM schools in the nation to feed into a high school.

**School:**

Citywide: **W. H. Taft** (grades K-3 magnet)

270 Southern Avenue, 45219 Phone: 363-5600