

AN INTRODUCTION TO
Application, *Choice*,
Immersion, and
Magnet Programs

OPTIONS

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◆ INTRODUCTION

THE INFORMATION IN THIS BOOKLET IS DESIGNED TO HELP STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES learn about the various programs that are available in Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. Each program is designed to provide enriched learning opportunities based on student interest and motivation. This booklet may be used as a reference to better understand a student’s educational options. However, this booklet does not refer to every special program in the county. In addition to the programs described in this booklet, individual schools may offer special programs open only to those students who reside within the school boundaries.

Navigating the Options

GET READY *Questions to ask yourself before reading this booklet...*

- What is the best learning environment for my child?
- What are my child’s interests and educational needs?
- How does programming at our local school meet my child’s needs and interests?
- Will I be able to arrange transportation for my child to and from a central stop if necessary?

GET SET *As you read this booklet...*

- Do any of the programs seem to be a good match for my child’s needs and interests?
- How might commuting to a school outside my neighborhood affect our family routines?
- Will transportation be provided for this program?

GO! *After you have read this booklet...*

- Have I investigated the options available to my child at our local school?
- Is a program a good match for my child’s interests and needs?
- Do I know whom to contact with questions and for application materials?
- Have I discussed the various options with my child prior to beginning the application or Choice process?
- Have I considered transportation arrangements and a back-up plan?

◆ MCPS Bus Transportation

According to MCPS Regulation EEA-RA, *Student Transportation*, Section II.B.2, “Centralized bus service, defined as transportation from a central location such as a neighborhood elementary school, to the program site, may be provided to students attending specific programs as identified in the MCPS Options (Guide to Countywide Programs) booklet, in accordance with Board action, attendance areas, transportation services, and funding levels. Parents/guardians are responsible for students’ transportation to and from centralized bus stops, whether or not there is an appropriate walking route.” It is important to carefully consider transportation options and responsibilities.”



Throughout this booklet, you will see a bus icon (left): Please read the information next to that icon to learn about transportation for each specific program. If no icon is present, then there are no special transportation options for that particular program, and so the transportation regulations for “regular education” apply.

FOR MORE INFORMATION about transportation regulations, please visit the transportation website www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/departments/transportation/ or call 301-840-8130.

Elementary School Special Programs

- Center for Enriched Studies
- Language Immersion Program

Contact your school
 To visit each school's website, visit: www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/ and select the "Schools" link on the left side of the page.

World Languages Immersion, Grades K-5
 For more information - 240-740-4005

In **partial immersion** programs, approximately one half of the day is spent learning subjects such as science and math in the immersion language.

In **full immersion** programs, all of the core subjects are taught in the immersion language. The world language is not taught explicitly, but used as the language of instruction so that students learn the language while learning the content of the curriculum.

Chinese Immersion

Potomac Elementary School (partial immersion)
 Continued at Herbert Hoover Middle School
 Local program

Bayard Rustin Elementary School (partial immersion)
 Continued at Herbert Hoover Middle School
 Countywide program

French Immersion

Maryvale Elementary School (full immersion)
 Continued at Gaithersburg Middle School
 Available to students living in the following high school clusters:
 Blake, Churchill, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Richard Montgomery, Northwest, Paint Branch, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Rockville, Seneca Valley, Sherwood, Springbrook, Watkins Mill, Wheaton, Wootton

Sligo Creek Elementary School (full immersion)
 Continued at Silver Spring International Middle School
 Available to students living in the following high school clusters:
 Blair, Blake, Bethesda Chevy-Chase, Einstein, Walter Johnson, Kennedy, Northwood, Paint Branch, Springbrook, Whitman

Spanish Immersion

Burnt Mills Elementary School (full immersion)
 Continued at Silver Spring International Middle School

William Tyler Page Elementary School (full immersion)
 Continued at Silver Spring International Middle School

Rock Creek Forest Elementary School (full immersion)
 Continued at Westland Middle School
 Countywide program

Center for Enriched Studies*, Grades 4-5
 For more information - 240-740-3110
 *Schools are offering the program locally – Piney Branch, Stonegate, Rachel Carson and Spark Matsunaga

Each center draws from a defined set of high school clusters and are located at the following elementary schools:

Lucy Barnsley Elementary School
 Richard Montgomery, Rockville, and Wheaton high school clusters.

Chevy Chase Elementary School
 Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Walter Johnson, and Whitman high school clusters.

Clearspring Elementary School
 Clarksburg and Damascus high school clusters.

Cold Spring Elementary School
 Churchill and Wootton high school clusters.

Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School
 Blake, Paint Branch, Sherwood, and Springbrook high school clusters.

Fox Chapel Elementary School
 Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, and Seneca Valley high school clusters.

Mill Creek Towne Elementary School
 Magruder, Gaithersburg, and Watkins Mill high school clusters.

Pine Crest Elementary School/Oak View Elementary School
 Blair, Einstein, Kennedy, and Northwood high school clusters.

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Local Elementary School Programs



World Languages Immersion Programs



Elementary Center for Enriched Studies

Attention Parents/Guardians and Students: Some information may change after publication. Please visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/ or contact the school for the most current information on available programs.

◆ Local Elementary School Programs

Division of Accelerated and Enriched Instruction

240-740-3110

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/enriched/

Mathematics Instruction

240-740-4001

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/math/

Language Arts Instruction

240-740-4006

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/english/

Science Instruction

240-740-4002

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/science/

Social Studies Instruction

240-740-4008

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/socialstudies/

ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS have a variety of instructional and enrichment programs to meet the needs of students, including those who demonstrate high interest, motivation, and/or level of achievement in a particular area of study. At every grade level, all students should have opportunities to enrich and extend their learning, study and explore areas of interest, and collaborate with peers on challenging and rigorous tasks.

Contact Your Local School

To find out more about what your local elementary school offers, contact the school directly and/or visit the school's website by searching for the school's name on the MCPS home page or going to www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/ and selecting List of Schools at the top of the page. Each school uses a variety of instructional programming models to meet the needs of its students.

At every grade level, all students have opportunities to...

- Deepen and enrich their understanding of on-grade-level material
- Extend and enrich their understanding of above-grade-level materials
- Study and explore areas of interest
- Collaborate with peers on challenging and rigorous tasks

When a student demonstrates interest, motivation, or level of achievement in a particular area of study, all elementary schools have a variety of instructional and enrichment programs to meet those needs. Some examples are...

- Science Fairs
- Destination Imagination
- Geography Bee
- Math Olympiad
- Schoolwide Enrichment Program
- International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program
- Arts Integration Model
- The William and Mary Language Arts Units for High Ability Learners, Grades 2–5
- The Junior Great Books Program, Grades K–5
- Access to enrichment and extension tasks in mathematics
- Enriched Literacy

◆ Elementary School World Language Immersion Programs

Enrollment Requirements

Burnt Mills Elementary School (Spanish)

Serves students who attend Burnt Mills Elementary School, followed by the students from the other elementary schools that feed into Francis Scott Key Middle School. Open to all other students, based on space availability.

Bayard Rustin Elementary School (Chinese—*Partial*)

Serves students from all high school clusters.

Maryvale Elementary School (French)

Serves students in the following high school clusters:

Blake*, Churchill, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Richard Montgomery, Northwest, Paint Branch*, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Rockville, Seneca Valley, Sherwood, Springbrook*, Watkins Mill, Wheaton, and Wootton.

William T. Page Elementary School (Spanish)

Serves students who attend William T. Page Elementary School. Open to students from other clusters, based on space availability.

Potomac Elementary School (Chinese—*Partial*)

Serves students who attend Potomac Elementary School. Open to students from all high school clusters, based on space availability.

Rock Creek Forest Elementary School (Spanish)

Serves students from all high school clusters.

Sligo Creek Elementary School (French)

Serves students in the following high school clusters: Blair, Blake*, Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Albert Einstein, Walter Johnson, Kennedy, Northwood, Paint Branch*, Springbrook*, and Walt Whitman.

**Immersion school based on student's address.*

THE WORLD LANGUAGES immersion programs begin in kindergarten and continue through Grade 5. Students in these programs learn the MCPS curriculum in one of three languages—Chinese, French, or Spanish.

MCPS currently offers Two Way Immersion programs (Spanish-English) at five elementary schools (Brown Station, Kemp Mill, Oakland Terrace, Rolling Terrace, and Washington Grove). While individual schools' models vary in scheduling, all programs follow a 50/50 model, indicating that 50% of instruction is delivered in each program language. The Two Way Immersion Programs are open to students enrolled at these schools, and are not included in the lottery for MCPS's other World Language Immersion programs.

Admission to the Program

Admission to the MCPS elementary school world languages immersion programs is limited. Selection is based on a lottery system for student in kindergarten and Grade 1. Such lottery shall include a weighting process that takes into consideration factors to include: (a) students who have an older sibling who is currently enrolled in a language immersion program and will continue to be enrolled in that language immersion program in the year the younger sibling seeks to enroll; (b) socio-economic status and poverty; and, (c) other factors as identified by the superintendent of schools, such as, in specific circumstances, a catchment area. Any child who has an older sibling who was enrolled in a language immersion program during the 2017–2018 school year and that an older sibling who will continue to be enrolled in the same language immersion program the year the younger sibling seeks to enroll, may enroll in the language immersion program without the necessity of participating in the lottery conducted for admission into that program, however, an immersion interest form must be submitted for the student. New students are admitted after Grade 1 provided space is available and students pass a placement test. Multiple-birth siblings requesting the same program will be treated as a single request. To participate in the immersion program, parents/guardians must complete and submit an interest for each child wanting to be considered for a seat. For information about the process, visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/admission/immersion.aspx, or call 240-740-2540.

Would you like your child to...

- Read books in French?
- Have discussions about current events in Spanish?
- Solve math problems in Chinese?
- Learn a second language while pursuing the MCPS curriculum?

Consider applying to one of the world languages immersion programs.

Language immersion is an educational approach in which students are taught the curriculum content through the medium of a second language. In this way, immersion students not only learn the content, but also gain knowledge of the language in which it is taught. In full-immersion programs, children learn their core subjects (reading, writing, mathematics, social studies, and science) in the second language. Partial-immersion programs are based on the same principle, but only a portion of the curriculum is taught in the second language. The main difference between an immersion setting and a world languages class is the approach to second-language learning. In an immersion program, language is a method for teaching the content rather than the subject of instruction.

To visit each school's website, search the school's name from the MCPS home page or visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/ and select List of Schools at the top of the page.

World Languages Instruction 240-740-4005
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/admissions/immersion.aspx



MCPS provides transportation from central stops for some areas served by various elementary school language-immersion programs. Check with the program coordinator at your school for details on transportation service availability. Please refer to page 3 for more information regarding "central stops" transportation.

◇ Elementary Center for Enriched Studies

The Elementary Center for Enriched Studies is for Grade 4 and Grade 5 students. The program, organized by high school cluster, is housed at the following elementary schools:

Lucy V. Barnsley Elementary School

Richard Montgomery, Rockville, and Wheaton high school clusters.

Chevy Chase Elementary School

Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Walter Johnson, and Walt Whitman high school clusters.

Clearspring Elementary School

Clarksburg and Damascus high school clusters.

Cold Spring Elementary School

Churchill and Wootton high school clusters.

Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School

Blake, Paint Branch, Sherwood, and Springbrook high school clusters.

Fox Chapel Elementary School

Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, and Seneca Valley high school clusters.

Mill Creek Towne Elementary School

Gaithersburg, Col. Zadok Magruder, and Watkins Mill high school clusters.

Oak View Elementary School

Blair, Albert Einstein, Kennedy, and Northwood high school clusters serving specifically East Silver Spring, Flora Singer, Forest Knolls, Highland View, Oak View, Rolling Terrace, Sligo Creek, Woodlin elementary schools

Pine Crest Elementary School/

Blair, Albert Einstein, Kennedy, and Northwood high school clusters serving specifically Arcola, Glen Haven, Glenallan, Oakland Terrace, Pine Crest, Rock View, Kemp Mill elementary schools.

The ELEMENTARY CENTER FOR ENRICHED STUDIES is a two-year program that begins in Grade 4. It is designed to meet the needs of highly gifted and motivated learners in mathematics, language arts, science, and social studies. The program is housed at select elementary schools. (See page 11 for the center program that serves your attendance area). The process begins in January, and current Grade 3 students may participate. Admission to the program is by a selection committee.

Admission to the program

All Grade 3 students will be centrally reviewed for enrichment and acceleration for Grade 4. Those who are identified in the central review will be evaluated (includes taking

an above-grade level assessment). Additional criteria used as part of the evaluation include report card grades, test scores, brief student essay and student services (IEP, ESOL, 504 or FARMS).

This process begins in January with a parent/guardian information meeting and parents/guardians of Grade 3 students will receive information in early April regarding the results of the central review.

Each center serves a designated geographic area, based on the high school cluster in which you reside.

Does your child like to...

- Write poetry, plays, or stories to share with friends?
- Design science experiments and test them?
- Work cooperatively with friends on projects?

Consider the Elementary Center for Enriched Studies.

The program provides a learning environment that enriches, accelerates, and extends the MCPS curriculum. It is designed to meet the needs of highly gifted and motivated learners in language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. The program focuses on critical-thinking, problem-solving, and communication skills.

For example, a student might—

- study a topic or concept from a multi-disciplinary perspective;
- research a historical event and communicate connections to current events;
- work cooperatively in small groups to generate solutions to real-world problems; or
- design and conduct research-based investigations and present findings.

Program Questions

Division of Accelerated and Enriched Instruction

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/enriched/

Admissions Questions

Division of Consortia Choice and Application Program Services

240-740-2540



MCPS provides transportation from central stops for students from the areas that the programs serve. Please refer to page 3 for more information regarding "central stops" transportation.



Local Middle School Programs



Middle School World Languages Immersion Programs



Mathematics, Science, Computer Science Magnet Programs



Humanities and Communication Magnet Programs



Magnet School for Digital Design and Development



Magnet School for the Creative and Performing Arts



Magnet School for Aerospace Technology

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Middle School Application Programs

- Language Immersion Program
- Middle School Magnet Consortium
- ▲ Magnet Program

Middle School Magnet Consortium (MSMC) Schools

Argyle Middle School for Digital Design and Development

Loiederman Magnet School for the Creative and Performing Arts

Parkland Magnet School for Aerospace Technology

Admission is based on a Choice process open to all Montgomery County Grade 5 students in-consortium and out-of-consortium. All Grade 5 students residing in one of the following elementary school service areas must participate in the Choice process: Brookhaven, Georgian Forest, Harmony Hills, Sargent Shriver, Strathmore, Viers Mill, Weller Road, and Wheaton Woods

Middle School Language Immersion Programs

Gaithersburg Middle School
 French Immersion Program
Students who complete the Maryvale ES French Immersion Program may attend automatically. All others interested in participating may contact the school to learn if space is available, and passing a language assessment is contingent upon invitation.

Herbert Hoover Middle School
 Chinese Immersion Program
Students who complete the College Gardens ES or Potomac ES Chinese Immersion Program may attend automatically. All others interested in participating may contact the school to learn if space is available, and passing a language assessment is contingent upon invitation.

Silver Spring International Middle School
 French and Spanish Immersion Programs
Students who complete the the Sligo Creek ES, Bunt Mills ES, or William Tyler Page ES French or Spanish Immersion Programs may attend automatically. All others interested in participating may contact the school to learn if space is available, and passing a language assessment is contingent upon invitation.

Westland Middle School
 Spanish Immersion Program
Students who complete the Rock Creek Forest ES Spanish Immersion Program may attend automatically. All others interested in participating may contact the school to learn if space is available, and passing a language assessment is contingent upon invitation.

See Page 17 for specific information.

Middle School Magnet Programs

Roberto W. Clemente Middle School
 Mathematics, Science, Computer Science Center Program

The following high school clusters may apply: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill.

Eastern Middle School
 Humanities and Communication Magnet Program

The following high school clusters may apply: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Blair, Blake, Churchill, Einstein, Kennedy, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Northwood, Paint Branch, Rockville, Sherwood, Springbrook, Wheaton, Whitman, Wootton.

Martin Luther King Middle School
 Humanities and Communication Center Program

The following high school clusters may apply: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill.

Takoma Park Middle School
 Mathematics, Science, Computer Science Magnet Program

The following high school clusters may apply: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Blair, Blake, Churchill, Einstein, Kennedy, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Northwood, Paint Branch, Rockville, Sherwood, Springbrook, Wheaton, Whitman, Wootton.

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◆ Local Middle School Programs

Department of Secondary Curriculum and Districtwide Programs in the Office of Curriculum and Instructional Programs

240-740-3110

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/enriched/

Mathematics Instruction

240-740-4001

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/math/

Science Instruction

240-740-4002

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/science/

Social Studies Instruction

240-740-4008

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/socialstudies/

ALL MIDDLE SCHOOLS have a variety of instructional and enrichment programs to meet the needs of students, including those who demonstrate high interest, motivation, and/or level of achievement in a particular area of study. At every grade level, all students should have opportunities to enrich and extend their learning, study and explore areas of interest, and collaborate with peers on challenging and rigorous tasks. To find out more about what your local middle school offers, contact the school directly.

Contact Your Local School

To find out more about what your local middle school offers, contact the school directly or visit their website by searching for the school's name from the MCPS home page or going to www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/ and selecting List of Schools at the top of the page.

At every grade level, all students have opportunities to...

- Deepen and enrich their understanding of on-grade-level material,
- Extend and enrich their understanding of above-grade-level materials,
- Study and explore areas of interest, and
- Collaborate with peers on challenging and rigorous tasks

Some examples of enrichment programs offered by all middle schools are...

- Science fairs
- Middle School Science Inquiry Conference
- Destination Imagination
- Math Olympiad
- International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme
- The William and Mary Language Arts Units for High Ability Learners, Grades 6–8
- The Junior Great Books Program, Grades 6–8
- Access to high school mathematics courses
- Gifted or advanced-level courses
- Access to high school courses

◆ Middle School World Languages Immersion Programs

Middle School World Languages Partial Immersion Programs

The immersion programs are offered at the following four sites in the county:

Gaithersburg MS	French
Herbert Hoover MS	Chinese
Silver Spring International MS	French and Spanish
Westland MS	Spanish

World Languages Instruction

240-740-4005

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/admissions/immersion.aspx

THE WORLD LANGUAGES immersion programs begins with new students who are admitted after Grade 1, provided space is available and students pass a placement test. Please contact the programs individually to find out about the application process and deadlines.

Admission to the Program

Admission to the World Languages immersion programs is limited to incoming Grade 6 students who have completed a corresponding immersion program at the elementary level. Students who did not participate in the elementary program may test into immersion programs if there is space available. Contact the program to find out about the application process and deadlines.

Does your child have an interest in...

- Continuing to expand their knowledge of a second language?
- Reading and writing in Chinese?
- Discussing world events in French?
- Exploring Spanish culture?

For students coming from elementary French and Spanish immersion programs, a two-period block of instruction enables them to enhance their language development as well as complete the social studies courses in the same language. Students coming from elementary Chinese immersion programs will continue in a one-period language course before transitioning to the regular MCPS Chinese 2 course in Grade 7.

Consider continuing the immersion experience at one of the middle school world languages immersion programs.

- Potomac and Bayard Rustin Elementary Schools
Hoover Middle School
- Maryvale Elementary School
Gaithersburg Middle School
- William T. Page Elementary School
Burnt Mills Elementary School,
Sligo Creek Elementary School,
Silver Spring International Middle School
- Rock Creek Forest Elementary School
Westland Middle School
Silver Spring International Middle School*

*DCC students have the option of attending SSI from RCF ES

To visit each school's website, search the school's name from the MCPS home page or visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/ and select List of Schools at the top of the page.



MCPS provides transportation from central stops for the middle school language immersion students at Gaithersburg MS and Silver Spring International MS from the areas that the programs serve. Please refer to page 3 for information regarding "central stops" transportation. Transportation is not provided for language immersion students at Herbert Hoover MS or Westland MS who live outside the local school boundary.

◆ Mathematics/Science/
Computer Science Magnet
Program



**Roberto W. Clemente
Middle School**

18808 Waring Station Road
Germantown, MD 20874
301-601-0381
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/clementems/



**Takoma Park
Middle School**

7611 Piney Branch Road
Silver Spring, MD 20910
240-740-5220
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/takomaparkms/

THE MATHEMATICS/SCIENCE/COMPUTER SCIENCE MAGNET PROGRAM provides unique and challenging learning opportunities in three areas of concentration: mathematics, science, and computer science. Students are encouraged to make connections among content areas through a problem-solving approach. Students have a variety of specialized academic experiences, such as working with scientists and mathematicians, participating in academic competitions, and writing computer programs. A parent/guardian meeting is held in the fall at a central location. Information is available online at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/. School bus transportation to and from each middle school is provided from central locations throughout the county.

Admission to the program

All Grade 5 students will be part of a universal review for enrichment and acceleration for middle school programming either at their local school or magnet program. Those who are identified in the central review will be placed in a lottery pool and be guaranteed enriched instruction in middle school. A lottery will be run for the regional seats. Criteria used as part of the universal review include report card grades, test scores, brief student essay and student services (IEP, ESOL, 504 or FARMS). There is no parent/guardian application.

This process begins in December with a parent/guardian information meeting and parents/guardians of Grade 5 students will receive information in February regarding the results of the universal review and lottery.

Each center serves a designated geographic area, based on the high school cluster in which you reside.

Does your child have...

- A keen interest and ability in mathematics?
- Strong motivation in developing a deep understanding of how computers work and their applications?
- An in-depth interest in current events in science and in conducting scientific research?
- A positive attitude and a commitment to working collaboratively with peers?

Consider the Mathematics, Science, Computer Science Magnet Program at either Takoma Park Middle School or Roberto W. Clemente Middle School.

Beyond the accelerated mathematics, science, and computer science courses, students may work with scientists and mathematicians from government agencies, nearby universities and local organizations. The program offers access to many academic competitions, such as the Continental Math League—Math and computer divisions, Montgomery County Area Science Fair, and American Computer Science League. Students also conduct scientific field work at area creeks and at the Smithsonian’s Naturalist Center. Throughout all of their specialized coursework, students work with an academic cohort to conduct independent inquiries using mathematics, computer science, and the scientific process to solve real-world problems.



MCPS provides transportation from central stops for students in the Roberto W. Clemente MS and Takoma Park MS magnet programs from the areas that the programs serve. Please refer to page 3 for more information regarding “central stops” transportation.

◆ Humanities and Communication Magnet Program



Eastern Middle School

300 University Blvd., East
Silver Spring, MD 20901
301-650-6650
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/easternms/



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School

13737 Wisteria Drive
Germantown, MD 20874
301-353-8080
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/mlkms/

THE HUMANITIES AND COMMUNICATION MAGNET PROGRAMS provide unique and challenging learning opportunities in three areas: writing, media production, and world studies. Students are encouraged to make connections among ideas, study selected topics in depth, and develop critical and creative thinking skills. Both programs offer a broad range of courses, including accelerated classes in science, math, and world languages and strong visual and performing arts classes. A parent/guardian meeting is held in the fall at both middle schools. School bus transportation to and from each middle school is provided from central locations throughout the county.

Admission to the program

All Grade 5 students will be part of a universal review for enrichment and acceleration for middle school programming either at their local school or magnet program. Those who are identified in the central review will be placed in a lottery pool and be guaranteed enriched instruction in middle school. A lottery will be run for the regional seats. Criteria used as part of the universal review include report card grades, test scores, brief student essay and student services (IEP, ESOL, 504 or FARMS). There is no parent/guardian application.

This process begins in December with a parent/guardian information meeting and parents/guardians of Grade 5 students will receive information in February regarding the results of the universal review and lottery.

Each center serves a designated geographic area, based on the high school cluster in which you reside.

Does your child have...

- A keen interest and ability in writing?
- Strong motivation in the humanities or artistic side of media production?
- An in-depth interest in history, geography, economics and current events?
- A positive attitude and a commitment to working collaboratively with peers?

Consider the Humanities and Communication Program at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School or at Eastern Middle School.

Students pursue intensive courses in writing and opportunities to be published and broadcast through television, radio, and film. Students create position papers, plays, brochures, magazine articles, and research papers. The program also offers hands-on opportunities to work as a member of a production team in the program's television studios. Students work in teams as performers, cinematographers, producers, directors, audio engineers, editors, and graphic artists. Students study the human experience through analysis of historical events, literature, and art. They also learn to document the human experience through written and visual media.



MCPS provides transportation from central stops for students in the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. MS and Eastern MS magnet programs from the areas that the programs serve. Please refer to page 3 for more information regarding "central stops" transportation.

◆ Digital Design and Development

Argyle Middle School

2400 Bel Pre Road

Silver Spring, MD 20906

301-460-2400

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/argylems/

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/msmagnet/argyle/



DIGITAL DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT provides students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 a challenging academic program focused on the development and applica-

tion of information technology. Students learn to use technology tools to enhance the school experience. Students will be required to take a minimum of one technology course per year. Additionally, students will have the option to take technology electives that focus on programming, web development, media literacy, and digital media. The school environment is both collaborative and rigorous, using teamwork and competitions to support the coursework. Throughout the Argyle experience, students will gain knowledge to prepare them for success in high school and develop skills that are transferable to a work environment.

Admission to the program

Admission to the Argyle Middle School for Digital Design and Development is based on a lottery process. Students who live within the Argyle, Loiederman, and Parkland Consortium attendance area must participate in the *Choice* process in Grade 5. For Grade 5 students outside of the Consortium area, *Choice* forms are available at all MCPS elementary schools, online at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/msmagnet/, or from the Division of Consortia Choice and Application Program Services, 301-592-2040.

Does your child like...

- Challenging courses in accelerated mathematics?
- Computers, video games, digital cameras, animation, programming, website design?
- Learning new information and solving problems using digital tools such as cameras, gaming software, and other computer-based strategies?
- Creating computer programs, websites, and digital art?
- Producing multimedia presentations?
- Using technology tools to express ideas?

Consider applying to Argyle Middle School.

Argyle Magnet School for Digital Design and Development offers students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 a rigorous academic program, focused on the development and application of information technology. Argyle students are engaged with technology tools in all classes throughout the day. All Grade 6 students take a year-long comprehensive technology course. All Grade 7 and 8 students will enroll in a minimum of one technology elective. Also, students may opt to take additional elective courses, specializing in web development, programming, digital art, or media literacy. Four of the Grade 8 technology electives will be high-school-level coursework. Argyle students will—

- explore a variety of technology tools;
- use technology tools to complete school assignments;
- experience the competitive environment of team problem solving; and
- work with peers to compete in state, national, and corporate technology problem-solving challenges.



In-Consortium students who live beyond the MCPS designated walking distance of their assigned school will be provided transportation from neighborhood bus stops. No transportation is provided for students living outside of the Consortium area.

◇ Creative and Performing Arts

A. Mario Loiederman Middle School

12701 Goodhill Road
Silver Spring, MD 20906
301-929-2282
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/loiedermanms/
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/msmagnet/loiederman/



CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS offers students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 a rigorous academic and fine arts program. Grade 6 students have the opportunity to take

two electives, such as sixth grade chorus, beginning band, sixth grade band, Lights! Camera! Literacy!, and beginning dance. Our signature course for the sixth grade is called Perspectives, which consists of dance, theater, music, and art. The Perspectives course is a great opportunity to explore all art forms.

Admission to the program

Admission to A. Mario Loiederman Middle School for the Creative and Performing Arts is based on a lottery process. Students who live within the Argyle, Loiederman, and Parkland Consortium attendance area must participate in the Choice process in Grade 5. For Grade 5 students outside of the Consortium area, *Choice* forms will be available at all MCPS elementary schools, online at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/msmagnet/, or from the Division of Consortia Choice and Application Program Services, 301-592-2040.

Does your child like...

- Challenging courses in accelerated English, science, mathematics, social studies, and the arts?
- Singing, dancing, acting, speaking, reciting, or playing an instrument?
- Drawing, painting, or sculpting?
- Learning through movement?
- Discovering how the arts, history, and literature connect the human experience?
- Working behind the scenes at professional or student performances?
- Learning from teachers as artists and artists as teachers?
- Learning a foreign language while exploring the arts?

Consider applying to A. Mario Loiederman Middle School.

A. Mario Loiederman Middle School for the Creative and Performing Arts offers students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 a rigorous academic program, including accelerated mathematics and fine arts. All sixth grade students take a comprehensive arts course and, as seventh and eighth grade students, select from high-level fine arts electives in the areas of visual art, dance, film, theater, or music. Loiederman students have the unique opportunity to—

- explore a broad variety of art forms and develop specific talents and interests in the arts;
- experience the creative environment of a rigorous fine arts program,
- work with peers, artists, arts organizations, media outlets, and museums to produce live and multimedia performance; and
- perform in a variety of settings to develop and enhance artistry.



In-Consortium students who live beyond the MCPS designated walking distance of their assigned school will be provided transportation from neighborhood bus stops. Transportation is not provided for students living outside of the Consortium area.

◆ Aerospace Technology

Parkland Middle School

4610 West Frankfort Drive

Rockville, MD 20853

301-438-5700

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/parklandms/

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/magnetms/parkland/



AEROSPACE TECHNOLOGY offers students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 a rigorous academic program with a focus in advanced and applied

mathematics and science. All students take an interdisciplinary science and aerospace course each year with the goal of taking a high school science course in Grade 8.

Admission to the program

Admission to Parkland Middle School for Aerospace Technology is based on a lottery process. Students who live within the Argyle, Loiederman, and Parkland Consortium attendance area must participate in the Choice process in Grade 5. For Grade 5 students outside of the Consortium area, Choice forms will be available at all MCPS elementary schools, online at www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/msmagnet/ or from the Division of Consortia Choice and Application Program Services, 301-592-2040.

Does your child have an interest in...

- Robots, space exploration, satellites, and flight technology?
- Learning by experimenting with the latest technology and equipment?
- Sharing the experience of competition with students from other states?
- Inventing and explaining new ideas and technologies?
- Solving engineering problems using science knowledge and technology?

Consider applying to Parkland Middle School.

Parkland Middle School for Aerospace Technology offers students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 a rigorous academic program with a focus in advanced and applied mathematics and science. All Grade 6 and Grade 7 students take enriched middle school science and aerospace courses. Grade 8 students take either Honors Physics for high school credit or they are enrolled in Investigations in Earth Space Systems. In addition to the required courses, students may choose to take the following elective courses: Astronomy and Space Exploration, Research in Astronomy, Principles of Flight, Introduction to Robotic Systems, Applied Robotic Engineering, Applied Robotic Programming, and Introduction to Engineering Design. Parkland students have the unique opportunity to—

- explore technology solutions in aerospace, satellite, and robotic engineering;
- experience a rigorous scientific environment involving team problem solving and research; and
- work with peers to engage in discovering solutions to aerospace challenges.



In-Consortium students who live beyond the MCPS designated walking distance of their assigned school will be provided transportation from neighborhood bus stops. No transportation is provided for students living outside of the Consortium area.

High School Application Programs

- Application Program
- ★ Application & Magnet Programs
- Magnet Application Program

Montgomery Blair High School
The Communication Arts Program (CAP)
 Grade 8 students who are residents of the Downcounty Consortium (DCC) area or who currently attend middle school in the DCC are eligible to apply in the fall of Grade 8.
 Phone: 301-649-2854

Albert Einstein High School
The Visual Art Center (VAC)
 The program is open to all public and private school students in Montgomery County.
 Phone: 240-740-2700

John F. Kennedy High School
Leadership Training Institute (LTI)
 Grade 8 students who are residents of the Downcounty Consortium (DCC) area or who currently attend middle school in the DCC are eligible to apply in the fall of Grade 8.
 Phone: 240-740-0113
Regional International Baccalaureate
 Any Grade 8 student who is enrolled in Algebra I or higher and at least level 1 of French, Chinese, or Spanish and who currently lives in Montgomery County may apply in the fall.
 Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters : Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Blair, Churchill, Einstein, Kennedy, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Northwood, Rockville, Wheaton, and Whitman, can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9.
 Phone: 240-740-0100

Springbrook HS
Regional International Baccalaureate
 Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters: Blake, Magruder, Sherwood, Springbrook, and Paint Branch can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Any Grade 8 student who is enrolled in Algebra I or higher and at least level 1 of French, Chinese, or Spanish and who currently lives in Montgomery County may apply in the fall. Students can only enter in Grade 9.
 Phone: 240-740-3800

Watkins Mill HS
Regional International Baccalaureate
 Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9.

Wheaton High School
Biomedical and Engineering (PLTW)
 Grade 8 students who are residents of the Downcounty Consortium (DCC) area or who currently attend middle school in the DCC are eligible to apply in the fall of Grade 8.
 Phone: 301-321-3315

Montgomery Blair High School
Science, Mathematics, Computer, Science Magnet Program
 Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters and enrolled in Algebra I or higher: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Blair, Blake, Churchill, Einstein, Kennedy, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Northwood, Paint Branch, Rockville, Sherwood, Springbrook, Wheaton, Whitman, Wootton can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9.
 Phone: 301-649-8240

Richard Montgomery High School
International Baccalaureate
 Any Grade 8 student who is enrolled in Algebra I or higher and at least level 1 of French, Chinese, or Spanish and who currently lives in Montgomery County may apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students outside the RMHS attendance area can only enter in Grade 9.
 Phone: 240-740-6165

Poolesville High School
A Whole School Magnet
Global Ecology House
 Grade 8 students enrolled in at least Algebra 1 or higher and currently residing in Montgomery County can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9.
Humanities House
 Grade 8 students enrolled in Algebra I or higher and residing in the following high school clusters may apply: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill. Students can only enter in Grade 9
Science, Mathematics, Computer Science House
 Grade 8 students enrolled in Algebra I or higher and residing in the following high school clusters may apply: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill. Students can only enter in Grade 9
 Phone: 240-740-2419 (All Poolesville Houses)



Local High School Programs



Northeast and Downcounty Consortia



Criteria Based Program Options
Wheaton PLTW Biomedical Science and Engineering



Science, Mathematics, Computer Science
Magnet Program



International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme
at Richard Montgomery HS



Regional International Baccalaureate Programme @
Kennedy, Springbrook and Watkins Mill HS



A Whole-School Magnet



Visual Art Center



Regional Lottery Based Programs

Attention Parents/Guardians and Students: Some information may change after publication. Please visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/ or contact the school for the most current information on available programs.

◆ Local High School Programs

Department of Secondary Curriculum and Districtwide Programs in the Office of Curriculum and Instructional Programs

240-740-3110

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/enriched/

Mathematics Instruction

240-740-4001

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/math/

English Instruction

240-740-4006

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/english/

Science Instruction

240-740-4002

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/science/

Social Studies Instruction

240-740-4008

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/socialstudies/

ALL HIGH SCHOOLS have a variety of instructional and enrichment programs to meet the needs of students, including those who demonstrate high interest, motivation, and/or level of achievement in a particular area of study. At every grade level, all students should have opportunities to enrich and extend their learning, study and explore areas of interest, and collaborate with peers on challenging and rigorous tasks.

Contact Your Local School

To find out more about what your local high school offers, contact the school directly, visit the school's website by searching for the school's name from the MCPS home page or going to www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/ and selecting List of Schools at the top of the page. Each school uses a variety of instructional programming models to meet the needs of its students.

At every grade level, all students have opportunities to...

- Deepen and enrich their understanding of on-grade-level material;
- Extend and enrich their understanding of above-grade-level materials through Honors, IB, and AP courses;
- Study and explore areas of interest; and
- Collaborate with peers on challenging and rigorous tasks.

All high schools have a variety of instructional and enrichment programs to meet students' needs. Here are some examples...

- Science, mathematics, writing, and performing and visual arts competitions
- Advanced Placement courses
- Honors courses
- International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme
- Themed Academy and Signature programs
- College partnerships
- Internships
- Career Readiness Programs of Study

Choice Programs for Students Living in the Northeast Consortium



The Northeast Consortium (NEC) is made up of three high schools: James Hubert Blake, Paint Branch, and Springbrook, five middle schools, and their feeder elementary schools. Each

high school offers a unique Signature program. Signature programs are instructional programs developed around a central theme that appeal to students' interests. Grade 8 students who live in the NEC participate in a lottery *Choice* process for assignment to an NEC high school. Grade 8 students who attend an NEC middle school but live outside the NEC may also participate in the lottery *Choice* process for assignment to an NEC high school.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/nec/.

James Hubert Blake High School

300 Norwood Road
Silver Spring, MD 20905
240-740-1400
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/blakehs/

Paint Branch High School

14121 Old Columbia Pike
Burtonsville, MD 20866
301-388-9900
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/paintbranchhs/

Springbrook High School

201 Valleybrook Drive
Silver Spring, MD 20904
240-740-3800
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/springbrookhs/

Grade 8 students who live in or attend an NEC middle school participate in a lottery Choice process for assignment to an NEC high school.

For information, visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/nec/.

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Northeast Consortium students...

- Attend one of three high schools: James Hubert Blake, Paint Branch, or Springbrook.
- Rank their preference of high school through the lottery *Choice* process.
- Participate in unique Signature programs and academies designed to connect their interests with rigorous academic programs in preparation for college and future careers.

NEC high school Signature programs are as follows:

Blake: Fine Arts and Humanities
Paint Branch: Science and Media
Springbrook*: IB World and Information Technology

* *Regional IB Program at Springbrook HS is available to all students who reside in one of the following high school clusters: Magruder, NEC and Sherwood.*

Visit the Signature programs link found on each school's website for more details.



MCPS provides transportation to NEC students who live beyond walking distance of their assigned NEC school, as determined by MCPS. Central stop transportation is provided for Sherwood students who participate in the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program at Springbrook.

*I see ME³
in ALL 3!*

◇ Choice Programs for Students Living in the Downcounty Consortium



The Downcounty Consortium (DCC) is made up of five high schools: Montgomery Blair, Albert Einstein, John F. Kennedy, Northwood, and Wheaton

and nine middle schools and their feeder elementary schools. Each DCC high school offers a variety of academies to provide smaller learning communities and engage students through their interests. Grade 8 students who live in the DCC participate in a lottery *Choice* process for assignment to a DCC high school. Grade 8 students who attend a DCC middle school but reside outside the DCC are also eligible to participate in the lottery *Choice* process for assignment to a DCC high school.

FOR MORE INFORMATION visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/downcounty/.

Montgomery Blair High School

51 University Boulevard East, Silver Spring, MD 20901
301-649-2800
www.mbhs.edu

Albert Einstein High School

11135 Newport Mill Road, Kensington, MD 20895
240-740-2700
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/einsteinhs/

John F. Kennedy High School

1901 Randolph Road, Silver Spring, MD 20902
240-740-0100
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/kennedyhs/

Northwood High School

919 University Boulevard West, Silver Spring, MD 20901
301-649-8088
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/northwoodhs/

Wheaton High School

12401 Dalewood Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20906
301-321-3400
www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/wheatonhs/

Downcounty Consortium High School Academies

Montgomery Blair:

- Entrepreneurship and Business Management
- Human Service Professions
- International Studies and Law
- Media, Music, and the Arts
- Science, Technology, Engineering, Math

Albert Einstein:

- Finance, Business Management, and Marketing
- International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme
- Renaissance
- Visual and Performing Arts

John F. Kennedy:

- International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme
- Business Administration and Management Academy
- Broadcast Journalism & Communication
- Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC)
- Health Professions
- Teacher Academy of Maryland

Northwood:

- Finance, Accounting, Marketing & Education
- Health Professions
- Humanities, Arts, and Media
- Music, Theatre and Dance
- Politics, Advocacy, and Law
- Teacher Academy of Maryland
- Technology, Environmental, and Systems Sciences
- Montgomery College Middle College (MC²@N)

Wheaton:

- Bioscience
- Engineering
- Global Studies—Art, Music, Drama, and Humanities; Global Studies; World Languages
- Information Technology—Programming and Web Design, Information Resource Design

Visit the Academy programs link found on each school's website for more details.



MCPS provides transportation to DCC residents who live beyond walking distance of their assigned DCC school, as determined by MCPS.

Did you know that Downcounty Consortium students...

- Attend one of five high schools: Montgomery Blair, Albert Einstein, John F. Kennedy, Northwood, or Wheaton?
- Rank their preference of high school through the lottery *Choice* process?
- Participate in unique academy programs designed to connect their interests with rigorous academic programs in preparation for college and future careers?

Grade 8 students who live in the DCC and interested Grade 8 students who attend a DCC middle school participate in a lottery Choice process for assignment to a DCC high school.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/downcounty/.

*I can THRIVE
at ALL 5!*

Application-only Programs within the Downcounty Consortium

- **Communication Arts Program (CAP)** at Blair HS is available to all students who reside in the DCC and/or attend a DCC middle school*.
- **Visual Art Center (VAC)** at Albert Einstein HS is available to all students who reside in Montgomery County.
- **Leadership Training Institute (LTI)** at Kennedy HS is available to students who reside in the DCC and/or attend a DCC middle school.
- **The Engineering and Biomedical Program (PLTW)** at Wheaton HS is available to all students who reside in the DCC and/or attend a DCC middle school.
- **Science, Mathematics, Computer Science Magnet Program** at Blair High School is available to students who reside in one of the following high school clusters: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Churchill, the Downcounty Consortium, the Northeast Consortium, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Sherwood, Walt Whitman, or Wootton.
- **Regional IB Program** at John F. Kennedy is available to all students who reside in one of the following high school clusters: BCC, Churchill, DCC, Walter Johnson, and Walt Whitman.

*The application process includes both a writing sample and a writing test.

FOR MORE INFORMATION visit www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms.

College and Career Pathway Options

● Program Site

Clarksburg High School!

Pathways in Technology in Network and Information Technology
Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters Clarksburg, Damascus, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9.

Thomas Edison High School of Technology

Technical and Career Education
Thomas Edison High School of Technology serves students from all MCPS high schools. Each year about 800 students take technical and career education courses for one half of each day at Thomas Edison and attend their regular high school the other half of the day. MCPS high school students are eligible to apply.
Phone: 240-740-2007

Gaithersburg High School

Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Biomedical Sciences
Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, and Sherwood can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9.

Magruder High School

Aviation and Aerospace
Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters Gaithersburg, Magruder, Rockville, Sherwood can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9.

Northwest High School

Middle College
Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9. There are cost to parents for Middle College programs.

Northwood High School!

Middle College
Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Blair, Blake, Churchill, Einstein, Kennedy, Northwood, Paint Branch, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Sherwood, Springbrook, Walter Johnson, Wheaton, Whitman and Wootton can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9. There are costs to parents for Middle College programs.

Rockville High School

IB CP Project Lead the Way (PLTW) BioScience and Engineering Programs, Code.org, and Hospitality Management
Grade 8 students residing in the following high school clusters: Magruder, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Sherwood, NEC and DCC, can apply in the fall of Grade 8 for enrollment beginning in Grade 9. Students can only enter in Grade 9.

Seneca Valley High School!

Regional Programs: Healthcare Professions, Hospitality and Tourism Management, Information Technology/Cyber Security, Construction Management and Architecture, and Project Lead the Way Engineering.
Grade 8 students living in Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill and Magruder Clusters may apply.

Wheaton/Edison High Schools

Wheaton/Edison Regional Programs: Healthcare Professions, Hospitality and Tourism Management, Information Technology/Cyber Security, Construction Management, and Engineering.
Grade 8 students who live in Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Winston Churchill, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Sherwood, Walt Whitman, Wootton, Northeast Consortium- Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake, and DCC – Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton may apply.

Montgomery College - Germantown

Clarksburg

Watkins Mill

Seneca Valley

Gaithersburg

Col. Zadok Magruder

Montgomery College - Rockville

Rockville

Wheaton
Thomas Edison HS of Technology

Montgomery College - Silver Spring/Takoma Park

Fire & Rescue Training Academy

John F. Kennedy

Springbrook

Northwood

Fire Science and Rescue* @ Rockville Training Facilities

Grade 10 students residing in the following high school clusters Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill can apply in the fall of Grade 10 for enrollment beginning in Grade 11. Students can only enter in Grade 11.

Early College, Associate Degree Programs offered at each Montgomery College campus as follows:

Business, Secondary Math (Teaching), and Science degrees @Rockville Campus; Computer Science, and Cybersecurity degrees @Germantown Campus; Life Science, and Nursing degrees @Takoma Park/Siler Spring Campus. Grade 10 students residing in the county can apply in the fall of Grade 10 for enrollment beginning summer before Grade 11. Students can only enter in Grade 10. Transportation is the responsibility of the student/family. There are some costs to some parents for Early College programs

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MCPS High School Regional/Countywide Application Programs At-A-Glance

In addition to the various academic programs in the local schools, Grade 8* students who live in Montgomery County may be eligible to apply to MCPS High School Regional/Countywide Application Programs (criteria-based/selective and interest based/lottery). For more information, visit the MCPS regional/countywide high school application programs website (below). Application season is expected to open in early October with the expected deadline of November 6, 2020.

*Grades 8-11 students may apply to the Visual Art Center.

**This document will be updated on a regular basis please check back often

**Parent information meetings details will be shared by mid-September.
All meetings (virtual) can be found at the high school's website and will begin at
6:00 P.M. unless otherwise noted.**

PARENT/STUDENT INFORMATION MEETINGS	PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS	ELIGIBILITY AND/OR COURSE REQUIREMENTS
Visual Art Center (VAC) at Albert Einstein HS October 1, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. Recording: Promo Video VAC.mp4	The Visual Art Center (VAC) offers students a broad perspective of the fine arts and deepens their understanding of the opportunities for art-related careers through exposure to art history, contemporary artists and artwork.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grades 8–11 Montgomery County residents Portfolio required for consideration
Aviation and Aerospace at Magruder HS October 7, 2020 Information and FAQ	This program focuses on the study of flight/ aircraft systems. Students have the opportunity to earn a private pilot license and/or remote pilot certificate and/or college credit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Grade 8 Montgomery County residents.
<i>Note: Transportation only provided for students who live in the following HS clusters: Gaithersburg, Magruder, Rockville, Sherwood.</i>		
Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Biomedical Sciences at Gaithersburg HS October 14, 2020 Information	Students explore multiple medical fields to develop a strong foundation for success in university pre-medical, medical, and biomedical programs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 8 Montgomery County residents who live in the following HS clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill and Magruder
<i>Note: Transportation only provided for students who live in the following HS clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder</i>		
Countywide International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program at Richard Montgomery HS October 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. NEW LINK https://youtu.be/_O-F89XVhtU	This is an international program that meets the needs of highly motivated students and leads to a qualification that is recognized by leading universities around the world.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any Grade 8 Montgomery County resident Currently or previously enrolled in Algebra 1 or higher Enrolled in at least level I of Spanish, French, or Chinese or are bilingual in one of those languages.
Global Ecology @ Poolesville HS October 29, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. http://bit.ly/PHSMagnetInfo	This program provides students with the knowledge and understanding of the science and cultural, social, political, economic, and technological conditions that affect the quality of life on our planet.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any Grade 8 Montgomery County resident Currently or previously enrolled in Algebra or higher

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS

PARENT/STUDENT INFORMATION MEETINGS	PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS	ELIGIBILITY AND/OR COURSE REQUIREMENTS
<p>Humanities at Poolesville <i>AND</i> Science Math and Computer Science at Poolesville HS October 29, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. http://bit.ly/PHSMagnetInfo</p>	<p>Humanities: Students will pursue rigorous humanities curricula with an interdisciplinary connection among English, social studies, communications, and fine arts.</p> <p>Science Math and Computer Science: This program is designed to offer accelerated instruction in the areas of math, science, and computer science for highly motivated and able students.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 8 Montgomery County residents who live in the following HS clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill Currently or previously enrolled in Algebra 1 or higher
<p>Science Math and Computer Science at Blair HS October 12, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Presentation: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o8N4muuwUho Q&A: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fSedNeRpXPI Español: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y-7BKTBwhjg</p>	<p>This program is designed to offer accelerated instruction in the areas of math, science, and computer science for highly motivated and able students.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 8 Montgomery County residents who live in the following HS clusters: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Winston Churchill, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Sherwood, Walt Whitman, Thomas S. Wootton, Northeast Consortium (NEC)—Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake, and Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton **** Currently or previously enrolled in Algebra 1 or higher
<p>Communication Arts Program (CAP) at Blair HS October 14, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. https://mbhs.edu/ for ZOOM info Visit the website: cap.mbhs.edu</p>	<p>This program is designed for students who wish to develop their intellectual, creative, and communication skills in the fields of media and the humanities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 8 Montgomery County residents who live in the Downcounty Consortium (DCC) -- Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton OR Attended a DCC middle school (Argyle, Eastern, Lee, Loiederman, Newport Mill, Takoma Park, Parkland, Sligo, Silver Spring Int'l)
<p>Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Biomedical at Wheaton HS October 7, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. Recording: WHS Open House 2020 Application Programs.mp4</p>	<p>Engineering: Students explore aerospace, mechanical, civil, and electrical engineering to develop a strong foundation for success in university math, science, technology, and engineering programs.</p> <p>Biomedical: Students explore multiple medical fields to develop a strong foundation for success in university pre-medical, medical, and biomedical programs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 8 Montgomery County residents who live in the Downcounty Consortium (DCC) -- Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton OR Currently attending a DCC middle school (Argyle, Eastern, Lee, Loiederman, Newport Mill, Takoma Park, Parkland, Sligo, Silver Spring Int'l) Currently or previously enrolled in Algebra 1 or higher
<p>Leadership Training Institute (LTI) at Kennedy HS (October 28, 2020 at 7PM)</p>	<p>This program partners with the Academy of Leadership at the University of Maryland and the University of Richmond Institute and is designed to prepare students for successful decision making in their scholastic and professional careers.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 8 Montgomery County residents who live in the Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton OR Currently attending a DCC middle school (Argyle, Eastern, Lee, Loiederman, Newport Mill, Takoma Park, Parkland, Sligo, Silver Spring Int'l)

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PARENT/STUDENT INFORMATION MEETINGS	PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS	ELIGIBILITY AND/OR COURSE REQUIREMENTS
<p>Middle College at Montgomery College (MC²) at Northwest HS October 21, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Zoom Link: click here</p> <p>Middle College at Montgomery College (MC²) at Northwood HS October 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. https://youtu.be/2oicHAS4xLw Information</p>	<p>Students earn college credits through a combination of courses (i.e. Advanced Placement and college courses); a college-like experience that begins on the high school campus that grows into full college coursework and experience on the college campus.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northwest HS—Grade 8 Montgomery County residents who live in the following HS clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill • Northwood HS—Grade 8 Montgomery County residents who live in the following HS clusters: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Winston Churchill, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Sherwood, Walt Whitman, Thomas S. Wootton, Northeast Consortium (NEC)—Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake, and Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton
<p>Regional International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB) at Watkins Mill HS October 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. IB Programs Info Page</p>	<p>This is an international program that meets the needs of highly motivated students and leads to a qualification that is recognized by leading universities around the world.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 8 Montgomery County residents who live in the following HS clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, Watkins Mill and Wootton • Currently or previously enrolled in Algebra 1 or higher • Enrolled in at least level I of Spanish, French, or Chinese or are bilingual in one of those languages
<p>Regional International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB) at Springbrook HS October 15, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>This is an international program that meets the needs of highly motivated students and leads to a qualification that is recognized by leading universities around the world.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 8 students who live in the following HS clusters: Magruder, Rockville, Sherwood, Northeast Consortium (NEC)—Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake • Currently or Previously enrolled in Algebra 1 or higher • Enrolled in at least level I of Spanish, French, or Chinese or are bilingual in one of those languages
<p>Regional International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (IB) at Kennedy HS October 28, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. https://youtu.be/AIf6UxkebxQ</p>	<p>This is an international program that meets the needs of highly motivated students and leads to a qualification that is recognized by leading universities around the world.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 8 students who live in the following HS clusters: BCC, Churchill, Whitman, Walter Johnson, Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton • Currently or Previously enrolled in Algebra 1 or higher • Enrolled in at least level I of Spanish, French, or Chinese or are bilingual in one of those languages

FOR GRADES 9, 10 AND 11 STUDENTS — FALL 2020

MCPS High School Regional/Countywide Application Programs At-A-Glance

In addition to the various academic programs in the local schools, Grades 9, 10 and 11 students who live in Montgomery County may be eligible to apply to MCPS High School Regional/Countywide Application Programs. These options are for students beginning in 2021–2022. For more information, visit the MCPS regional/countywide high school application programs website (below). Application season is expected to open in early October with a deadline of November 6, 2020. Transportation will be provided from the students home school. Please note that school assignments for part-time programs may be subject to change based on enrollment and staffing.

***Grades 8-11 students may apply to the Visual Art Center.*

***This document will be updated on a regular basis please check back often*

Find a specific program:

Architecture & CAD at Thomas Edison HS	Army JROTC at Col. Zadok Magruder HS	Automotive Collision Repair at Thomas Edison HS	Automotive Collision Repair at Gaithersburg HS	Automotive Technology at Thomas Edison HS
Automotive Technology at Gaithersburg HS	Carpentry at Thomas Edison HS	Carpentry at Seneca Valley HS	Cosmetology at Thomas Edison HS	Cosmetology at Gaithersburg HS
Construction Design & Management at Seneca Valley HS	Construction Electricity at Thomas Edison HS	Construction Electricity at Seneca Valley HS	Cybersecurity Capstone at Thomas Edison HS	Early College, Montgomery College
Emergency Medical Technician	Fire Science and Rescue	Graphic Design at Thomas Edison HS	Healthcare Professions at Thomas Edison HS	Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning at Thomas Edison HS
Heating, Ventilation, & Air Conditioning at Seneca Valley HS	Hospitality and Tourism Management at Thomas Edison HS	Law Enforcement & Leadership at Thomas Edison HS	Masonry at Thomas Edison HS	NJROTC at Seneca Valley HS
NJROTC at Gaithersburg HS	Network Operations at Thomas Edison HS	Plumbing at Thomas Edison HS	Restaurant Management/ Culinary Arts at Thomas Edison HS	Visual Arts Center at Albert Einstein HS

MCPS HIGH SCHOOL REGIONAL APPLICATION PROGRAMS AND PARENT/STUDENT INFORMATION MEETINGS	PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS	ELIGIBILITY AND/OR COURSE REQUIREMENTS
COUNTYWIDE AND REGIONAL COLLEGE AND CAREER PART-TIME PROGRAMS <i>at Thomas Edison High School of Technology</i>		
OCTOBER 19, 2020 Masonry Plumbing Hospitality Tourism and Management Healthcare Professions EHST) Restaurant Management/ Culinary Arts Graphic Design Law Enforcement and Leadership Network Operations	<p>Students at TEHST will be provided with the academic, technical, and interpersonal skills needed to achieve excellence in their chosen careers and to serve as the foundation for their continuing education in each of these career programs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising Gr 11 students who live in one of the 25 high school clusters: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Winston Churchill, Clarksburg, Damascus, Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton, Gaithersburg, Walter Johnson, Magruder, Northeast Consortium (NEC)—Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Seneca Valley, Sherwood, and Watkins Mill, Walt Whitman, and Thomas S. Wootton
OCTOBER 19, 2020 Cybersecurity Capstone	<p>Students completing this course will be well prepared for the demands of college curriculum and industry credentials and certifications.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising Gr 11 or 12 students who live in the one of the 25 high school clusters of Montgomery County. See above. <p>Prerequisites required: <i>AP Computer Science Java A//B or Network Operations 2 or Advanced Web Tools and Digital Media A/B</i></p>
OCTOBER 19, 2020 Cosmetology	<p>Students will learn the art and science of cosmetology, as well as all aspects of the cosmetology industry. Under the supervision of a cosmetology teacher, learn the current styles and trends, and perform salon services for a variety of clients in an in-school salon. Train with professionals during work-based learning experiences in local salons. Obtain the practical and clinical experience needed to take the Maryland State Board of Cosmetologist License examination.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising Gr 10 students who live in the following HS clusters: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Winston Churchill, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Sherwood, Walt Whitman, Thomas S. Wootton, Northeast Consortium (NEC)—Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake, and Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton
OCTOBER 19, 2020 Automotive Technology Automotive Collision Repair Carpentry Construction Electricity Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning (HVAC) Principles of Architecture & CAD Technology	<p>Students at TEHST will be provided with the academic, technical, and interpersonal skills needed to achieve excellence in their chosen careers and to serve as the foundation for their continuing education in each of these career programs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising Gr 11 students who live in the following HS clusters: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Winston Churchill, Walter Johnson, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Sherwood, Walt Whitman, Thomas S. Wootton, Northeast Consortium (NEC)—Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake, and Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton

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REGIONAL COLLEGE AND CAREER PART-TIME PROGRAMS <i>at Seneca Valley High School</i>		
<p>OCTOBER 20, 2020</p> <p>Construction Design and Management (CDM)</p> <p>Carpentry</p> <p>Construction Electricity</p> <p>Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning (HVAC)</p> <p>Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp (NJROTC)</p>	<p>Students at SVHS will be provided with the academic, technical, and interpersonal skills needed to achieve excellence in their chosen careers and to serve as the foundation for their continuing education in each of these career programs.</p> <p>Navy JROTC students can build professional competencies such as leadership, self-confidence and discipline, which are necessary qualities that are needed to thrive in any diverse career. Course work includes military history and customs, and students are required to wear a uniform.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising Gr 11 Montgomery county residents who reside within the following high school clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill <p>NOTE: In the Construction Design and Management program, advanced architectural drafting and design skills are developed throughout the program, including the opportunity for certification in the software tools used by architects.</p> <p>NOTE: NJROTC students are not required to join the military due to high school enrollment and the program is not a military preparation class.</p>

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REGIONAL COLLEGE AND CAREER PART-TIME PROGRAMS <i>at Gaithersburg High School</i>		
<p>Cosmetology</p>	<p>Students will learn the art and science of cosmetology, as well as all aspects of the cosmetology industry. Under the supervision of a cosmetology teacher, learn the current styles and trends, and perform salon services for a variety of clients in an in-school salon. Train with professionals during work-based learning experiences in local salons. Obtain the practical and clinical experience needed to take the Maryland State Board of Cosmetologist License examination.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This program is available to rising Gr 10 students in the following high school clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill
<p>OCTOBER 20, 2020</p> <p>Automotive Technology</p> <p>Automotive Collision Repair</p> <p>Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp (Navy JROTC)</p>	<p>Students at GHS will be provided with the academic, technical, and interpersonal skills needed to achieve excellence in their chosen careers and to serve as the foundation for their continuing education in each of these career programs.</p> <p>Navy JROTC students can build professional competencies such as leadership, self-confidence and discipline, which are necessary qualities that are needed to thrive in any diverse career. Course work includes military history and customs, and students are required to wear a uniform.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These programs are available to rising Gr 11 students in the following high school clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill <p>NOTE: NJROTC students are not required to join the military due to high school enrollment and the program is not a military preparation class.</p>

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REGIONAL COLLEGE AND CAREER PART-TIME PROGRAMS <i>at Col. Zadok Magruder High School</i>		
OCTOBER 20, 2020 ARMY Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp (Army JROTC)	Army JROTC students can build professional competencies such as leadership, self-confidence and discipline, which are necessary qualities that are needed to thrive in any diverse career. Course work includes military history and customs and students are required to wear a uniform.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These programs are available to rising Gr 11 students in the following high school clusters: Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, and Watkins <p>NOTE: Army JROTC students are not required to join the military due to high school enrollment and the program is not a military preparation class.</p>

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COUNTYWIDE PROGRAM <i>at Albert Einstein HS</i>		
Visual Art Center	The Visual Art Center (VAC) offers students a broad perspective of the fine arts and deepens their understanding of the opportunities for art-related careers through exposure to art history, contemporary artists and artwork.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grades 8–11 Montgomery County residents <p>NOTE: Portfolio required for consideration</p>

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REGIONAL COLLEGE AND CAREER PART-TIME PROGRAMS <i>at the Montgomery County Public Safety Training Academy</i>		
Fire Science and Rescue	<p>Students will study fire prevention and control, emergency medical technology and learn how to safely respond to hazardous material incidents, while earning industry certification and/or college credit. Formal training will be provided by the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute (MFRI) of the University of Maryland and will take place at the Montgomery County Public Safety Training Academy.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising Grade 11 students who live in one of the 25 high school clusters: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Winston Churchill, Clarksburg, Damascus, Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton, Gaithersburg, Walter Johnson, Magruder, Northeast Consortium (NEC)—Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Seneca Valley, Sherwood, and Watkins Mill, Walt Whitman, and Thomas S. Wootton <p>NOTE: Limited transportation is available to students in the Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Rockville, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill clusters.</p>
Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)	<p>EMT students will explore careers in emergency medical services and will engage in hands-on experiences, field trips, and real-world exploration, while earning certification in Emergency Medical Technician (Basic). Formal training will be provided by the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute (MFRI) of the University of Maryland and will take place at the Montgomery County Public Safety Training Academy.</p> <p>NOTE: If a student begins the Fire Science and Rescue program as a senior, the EMT course will be taken as an elective program only, and will not count towards a career readiness program of study for graduation credit purposes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising Grade 12 students who live in one of the 25 high school clusters: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Winston Churchill, Clarksburg, Damascus, Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton, Gaithersburg, Walter Johnson, Magruder, Northeast Consortium (NEC)—Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Seneca Valley, Sherwood, and Watkins Mill, Walt Whitman, and Thomas S. Wootton <p>NOTE: Limited transportation is available to students in the Clarksburg, Damascus, Gaithersburg, Magruder, Northwest, Rockville, Seneca Valley, and Watkins Mill clusters.</p>

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EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAMS at Montgomery College		
<p>Early College, Associate Degree Programs OCTOBER 5, 2020 <i>at 7:00 p.m.</i> <i>Details will be posted on the MC website</i></p> <p>GERMANTOWN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AA Degree Biological Science AA Degree Business AA Degree Computer Science and Technologies AAS Degree Cybersecurity AAS Degree Biotechnology <p>ROCKVILLE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AA Degree Business AS Degree Mathematics AS Degree General Engineering AAT Degree Elementary Ed <p>TAKOMA PARK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AS Degree Nursing AAS Degree Physical Therapy Assistant AAS Degree Surgical Tech AAS Degree Radiologic Technology (X-Ray Tech) AS Degree Biological Science AA Degree Computer Science and Technologies AAS Degree Diag Med Sonography 	<p>Students may earn a tuition free college degree while still in high school via the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) and Montgomery College (MC) Early College (EC) program. The EC program is offered at each MC campus and provides qualified students the opportunity of earning an Associate Degree in a specific content area. Participating students will complete their 11th and 12th grade years of high school while simultaneously completing their first two years of college as a full time MC student and graduate with an Associate's degree from MC as well as a Maryland State High School diploma.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rising Grade 11 students who live in the one of following 25 HS clusters: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Winston Churchill, Clarksburg, Damascus,, Gaithersburg, Walter Johnson, Magruder, Northwest, Poolesville, Quince Orchard, Richard Montgomery, Rockville, Seneca Valley, Sherwood, Watkins Mill, Walt Whitman, Thomas S. Wootton, Downcounty Consortium (DCC)—Blair, Einstein, Northwood, Kennedy, Wheaton, Northeast Consortium (NEC)—Paint Branch, Springbrook, Blake <p>To participate in the program students must have at least the following at the time of application and/or before enrollment (additional requirements vary by degree program):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met or be near completion of required SSL hours; • Be enrolled in 10th grade at an MCPS high school during the current school year; • Passed mathematics and English state assessments prior to program enrollment • Have an unweighted GPA of 2.75 or higher at the time of application to the program

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