Magnet schools & programs

CHECK CURRENT DEADLINE

School contacts and admissions requirements in one place.

WHICH GRADES AND TEST SCORES COUNT?

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CRITERIA-BASED WHOLE-SCHOOL MAGNETS

Academy at Palumbo
95% attend. | 65th ELA + Math | A/B
1100 Catharine St, Philadelphia, PA 19147
215-400-8130 | palumbo.philasd.org

Bodine - International Affairs
90% attend. | 50th ELA + Math | A/B + 1 C
1101 N 4th St, Philadelphia, PA 19123
215-400-7630 | bodine.philasd.org

Carver - Engineering & Science
95% attend. | 65th ELA + Math | A/B
1600 W Norris St, Philadelphia, PA 19121
215-400-7380 | hses.philasd.org

Central High School
95% attend. | 80th ELA + Math | A/B
1700 W Olney Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19141
215-400-3590 | centralhs.philasd.org

Creative & Performing Arts (CAPA)
Audition
90% attend. | 50th ELA + Math | A/B + 1 C
901 S Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19147
215-400-8140 | capa.philasd.org

Franklin Learning Center
Audition / portfolio
90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B + 2 Cs
616 N 15th St, Philadelphia, PA 19130
215-400-7570 | flc.philasd.org

Girard Academic Music (GAMP)
Audition
90% attend. | 50th ELA + Math | A/B + 1 C
2136 Ritner St, Philadelphia, PA 19145
215-400-8230 | gamp.philasd.org

Hill-Freedman World Academy
90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B + 2 Cs
1100 E Mount Pleasant Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19150
215-400-3530 | hfwa.philasd.org

Lankenau Environmental Science
90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B + 2 Cs
201 Spring Ln, Philadelphia, PA 19128
215-400-3420 | lankenau.philasd.org

Julia R. Masterman
Algebra I
95% attend. | 80th ELA + Math | A/B
1699 Spring Garden St, Philadelphia, PA 19130
215-400-7580 | masterman.philasd.org

Motivation High School
90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B/C
5900 Baltimore Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19143
215-400-7930 | motivationhs.philasd.org

Parkway Center City Middle College
95% attend. | 65th ELA + Math | A/B
540 N 13th St, Philadelphia, PA 19123
215-400-7620 | parkwaycc.philasd.org

Parkway Northwest - Peace & Justice
90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B/C
6200 Crittenden St, Philadelphia, PA 19138
215-400-3390 | parkwaynw.philasd.org

Parkway West High School
90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B/C
4725 Fairmount Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19139
215-400-7710 | parkwaywest.philasd.org

Philadelphia High School for Girls
90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B + 2 Cs
1400 W Olney Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19141
215-400-3700 | girlshs.philasd.org

Science Leadership Academy
Project presentation
90% attend. | 50th ELA + Math | A/B + 1 C
1482 Green St, Philadelphia, PA 19130
215-400-7830 | sla.philasd.org

NORTHEAST HIGH SCHOOL: MAGNET PROGRAM

Special admission; not a whole-school magnet

Northeast Medical, Engineering & Aerospace Magnet

PROGRAM 802M | College-prep: medicine, engineering and aerospace (SPARC space simulator)

GRADES A's and B's on most recent final report card
TESTS 65th percentile or higher
ATTENDANCE 95% in previous school year
BEHAVIOR No negative disciplinary reports on final report card

1601 Cottman Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19111
215-400-3200 | Northeast Magnet program website

OTHER MAGNET-DESIGNATED SCHOOLS

Citywide lottery; no criteria-based grade review

Paul Robeson - Human Services
4125 Ludlow St, Philadelphia, PA 19104
215-400-7780 | robesonhs.com

Philadelphia Military Academy
2118 N 13th St, Philadelphia, PA 19122
215-400-7420 | pma.philasd.org

School of the Future
4021 Parkside Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19104
215-400-7790 | sof.philasd.org

Confirm current criteria with District.

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Career & technical schools

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Explore hands-on training and career-connected high schools.

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CRITERIA-BASED CAREER & TECHNICAL OPTIONS

Some also appear on the magnet or arts pages

Creative & Performing Arts (CAPA)
Audition

90% attend. | 50th ELA + Math | A/B + 1 C

901 S Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215-400-8140 | capa.philasd.org

Franklin Learning Center
Audition / portfolio

90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B + 2 Cs

616 N 15th St, Philadelphia, PA 19130

215-400-7570 | flc.philasd.org

Lankenau Environmental Science

90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B + 2 Cs

201 Spring Ln, Philadelphia, PA 19128

215-400-3420 | lankenau.philasd.org

Northeast Medical / Engineering / Aerospace

95% attend. | 65th ELA + Math | A/B

1601 Cottman Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19111

215-400-3200 | nehs.philasd.org/programs/nehs-magnet/

Parkway West High School

90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B/C

4725 Fairmount Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19139

215-400-7710 | parkwaywest.philasd.org

Science Leadership Academy
Project presentation

90% attend. | 50th ELA + Math | A/B + 1 C

1482 Green St, Philadelphia, PA 19130

215-400-7830 | sla.philasd.org

Science Leadership Academy - Beeber
Project presentation

90% attend. | 50th ELA + Math | A/B + 1 C

5925 Malvern Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19131

215-400-7270 | slabeeber.philasd.org

Walter B. Saul Agricultural Sciences

90% attend. | 50th ELA or Math | A/B/C

7100 Henry Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19128

215-400-3450 | saul.philasd.org

ADDITIONAL CITYWIDE CAREER / TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

Citywide lottery; confirm pathways with each school

Murrell Dobbins High School

Citywide lottery; no grade / test eligibility thresholds

2150 W Lehigh Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19132

215-400-7050 | dobbins.philasd.org

Jules E. Mastbaum AVTS

Citywide lottery; no grade / test eligibility thresholds

3116 Frankford Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19134

215-400-7220 | mastbaum.philasd.org

A. Philip Randolph CTE High School

Citywide lottery; no grade / test eligibility thresholds

3101 Henry Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19129

215-400-3840 | randolph.philasd.org

Swenson Arts & Technology

Citywide lottery; no grade / test eligibility thresholds

2750 Red Lion Rd, Philadelphia, PA 19114

215-400-3140 | swenson.philasd.org

The U School

Citywide lottery; no grade / test eligibility thresholds

2000 N 7th St, Philadelphia, PA 19122

215-400-7460 | uschool.philasd.org

The Workshop School

Citywide lottery; no grade / test eligibility thresholds

221 S Hanson St, Philadelphia, PA 19139

215-400-7730 | workshopschool.philasd.org

PARENT TIP Ask about CTE programs, credentials, internships and admissions.

CTE preference may apply to eligible middle-school or summer CTE participants.

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Performing arts schools

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Explore music, dance, theater, visual arts and related programs.

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COMPARE 4 ARTS-FOCUSED SCHOOLS

All list auditions or portfolio requirements

Arts Academy at Benjamin Rush

ATTENDANCE	90%
TEST SCORES	50th in ELA OR Math
GRADE THRESHOLD	A/B, up to 2 Cs
ADDITIONAL STEP	Audition

11081 Knights Rd, Philadelphia, PA 19154

215-400-3030 | rush.philasd.org

Creative & Performing Arts (CAPA)

ATTENDANCE	90%
TEST SCORES	50th in ELA AND Math
GRADE THRESHOLD	A/B, up to 1 C
ADDITIONAL STEP	Audition

901 S Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215-400-8140 | capa.philasd.org

Franklin Learning Center

ATTENDANCE	90%
TEST SCORES	50th in ELA OR Math
GRADE THRESHOLD	A/B, up to 2 Cs
ADDITIONAL STEP	Audition or portfolio

616 N 15th St, Philadelphia, PA 19130

215-400-7570 | flc.philasd.org

Girard Academic Music Program (GAMP)

ATTENDANCE	90%
TEST SCORES	50th in ELA AND Math
GRADE THRESHOLD	A/B, up to 1 C
ADDITIONAL STEP	Audition

2136 Ritner St, Philadelphia, PA 19145

215-400-8230 | gamp.philasd.org

BEFORE APPLYING

Three questions to ask the school

1 Which arts majors?

Confirm the available arts tracks and grade levels.

2 What should I prepare?

Ask about audition dates, format, or portfolios.

3 Do I qualify?

Confirm the latest criteria and submit records.

Confirm current criteria with District.

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