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Small schools, big opportunities

While other neighboring districts have 2,500 to 3,000 students in their high school, ECCS is proud to have two high schools, Chanhassen and Chaska, that are each home to roughly 1,500 students.

What does that mean for our students?

Twice the opportunities.

Twice the athletic programming for many sports.

Twice the activity programming such as debate and speech, academic teams (knowledge and quiz bowl), and the arts (theatre and music).

Twice the state-of-the-art facilities!







Watch our Getting to Know

ECCS video

Investment in Technology and School Safety



Million dollar technology referendum approved by our community that provides classroom technology and a Chromebook for each student.

In the latest 10-year technology plan, Eastern Carver County Schools has greatly increased both its cyber and physical security. This includes secured entrances, electronic visitor check-in systems, enhanced security camera systems and door access control systems. Cyber security is also key to ensure protection when working online as well as protecting student and staff data.

What Others Say About ECCS



My child is seen, heard, valued, trusted, and respected for who they are and who they want to be.

"My child is seen and appreciated at school. She thrives on the positive, supportive engagement with the staff at school."

My child's school is a safe school.



"The personal attention and personalized learning that students receive is a huge asset of Eastern Carver County Schools."



The overall environment at the school is positive.

"This is a fabulous school community with strong leadership and dedicated staff members. From our first visit, we have felt welcomed and embraced by everyone."

My child's education helps them grow as a person, not just academically, and prepares them for whatever path they choose after high school.



"I really do believe my children have been challenged academically and are prepared for college."



Neighborhood Schools

Kindergarten is when children meet friends, develop healthy independence, and learn fundamental lessons that they will carry throughout their lives. It is our promise to provide a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment for each child. We know that children come to us with a unique set of talents and needs. We value their story, and we're eager to make their kindergarten year an exciting and positive learning experience. Each of our kindergarten educators are trained and credentialed to meet the needs of young learners.

La Academia Spanish Immersion

La Academia is a two-way, dual language Spanish Immersion school; this immersion model sets us apart from other school districts. A typical day looks very similar to other kindergarten classes, except the curriculum is taught in Spanish.

Kinder Academy

Kinder Academy is designed for young five-year-olds, such as those with summer birthdays. The program follows Eastern Carver County Schools' kindergarten curriculum. Students who are ready to move on to first grade after one year, based on the teacher's assessment, will do so. Students who would benefit from an additional year will stay in the program, with the same teacher. After year two, students will advance to first grade.



Our seven elementary schools are a special place for students and staff to find success every day! Our staff is committed to providing a safe, welcoming, and inclusive learning environment for every child.

Elementary teachers in ECCS are dedicated to helping each learner achieve their personal best. Our curriculum resources and teaching strategies are student-centered and evidence-based.

Strong Curriculum and Resources

Elementary educators are passionate about helping young learners mature and gain academic skills for life. Our elementary schools use evidence-based approaches to teach Literacy, Mathematics, and Science. We amplify student voice and promote problem-solving, creativity, and critical thinking across all curricula.

Robust Supports

Each school has a team of teachers who have additional training in the areas of special education, speech, literacy intervention, multilingual language learning, gifted services, adaptive physical education, social work, and counseling.

Elementary schools: Bluff Creek, Carver, Chanhassen, Clover Ridge, Jonathan, Victoria, La Academia









Time to Explore

The middle school experience includes exposure to a wide variety of content areas that allow each student to develop, understand, and realize their interests. In addition to the core academic courses of math, language arts, social studies, and science, all students have courses in music, art, personal wellness, health, engineering, and family consumer science. Band, choir, orchestra, and Spanish are additional electives for middle school students to explore.

Academics, Activities, Arts & Athletics

Beyond the classroom, middle school students are encouraged to join in athletics and activities, participate in student leadership opportunities, and use our WIN (What I Need) time for enrichment choices. We are committed to offering every student the opportunities and support needed to be successful.

Students also meet three times a week in an advisory program that addresses the needs of young adolescents.

Middle schools: Chaska Middle School East, Chaska Middle School West, Pioneer Ridge Middle School









Big School Opportunity with Small School Experience

Chanhassen and Chaska High Schools are each home to about 1,400 students. Our size is optimal for allowing students to build strong relationships with teachers while affording a multitude of opportunities in the classroom and on the stage or field of play!

Academics, Activities, Arts & Athletics

Our goal is to provide each learner with a rigorous educational experience with opportunities to explore their areas of interest. Each high school offers 30 Advanced Placement courses and over 120 electives. Beyond the classroom, ECCS offers a competitive variety of fine arts, academic extra-curricular, and community service opportunities as well as an abundance of student-led clubs. Athletes may choose from any of our 30 MSHSL offerings or intramural programs.

- Percent of students graduate from Chanhassen and Chaska High School in four years
- Percent of graduates continue to 2 or 4-year college after graduation

High schools: Chanhassen High School, Chaska High School, Integrated Arts Academy







Dual Language Spanish Immersion

The ECCS two-way, dual-language Spanish Immersion model sets us apart from other school districts.

Immersion Experience

Our goal is for learners to become bilingual and biliterate and to perform at or above their grade-level peers on standardized assessments. Classes are taught in the target language with bridging for biliteracy in each class. Students begin kindergarten immersed in Spanish language instruction for 90% of their school day. By fifth grade, the student day is half English and half Spanish.

In middle school and high school, Immersion students take one Spanish language class and one required social studies course in Spanish each year. In grade 10, students are ready to earn the

Bilingual Seal which earns college credit in the Minnesota State College and Universities system. Many Immersion students go on to take AP Spanish Language and AP Spanish Literature.

Immersion program pathway

Elementary: La Academia

Middle School: Chaska Middle School West

High School: Chanhassen High School





Advanced Academics

Students at Chaska High School and Chanhassen High School have a broad range of opportunities to challenge themselves academically as they explore and pursue their interests and passions. Some of these courses also offer students an opportunity to earn college credit while in high school.

PSEO allows 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students to earn both high school and college credit while still in high school, through enrollment in and successful completion of college courses at participating postsecondary institutions.

- Advanced Placement (AP) courses where high school students can earn college credit; three Project Lead the Way (PLTW) courses, and three concurrent college enrollment courses
- Percent of juniors and seniors enroll in at least one AP course, learning at a college level while in high school
- Senior service learning projects completed each year as a capstone to the high school experience. Seniors develop their project ideas, work with community mentors, engage in two weeks of service learning, and exhibit their work to the public.



Gifted Services

In our innovative approach, Gifted Services educators in each of our schools work together across our pre K-12 system with teachers, counselors, administrators, parents, and students to focus on the individual needs of each of our learners as they learn and grow toward realizing their potential.

All K-2 students engage in talent-development lessons facilitated by the Gifted Services educator in each elementary school.

Beginning in grade three, Gifted Services teachers provide content-specific and skills support as-needed during grade level WIN (What I Need) times with groups or individuals. Gifted Services teachers may also schedule regular check-ins with learners and be their advocate for differentiated teaching and learning needs.

In grades four and five clusters of gifted learners are grouped within designated classrooms to create an affinity group. Classroom teachers ensure differentiated learning experiences meet the needs of a gifted cluster. Gifted Services educators support the classroom teacher, may team teach at times, and may work with groups of learners during WIN or other, content-specific times.

Gifted Services in middle schools support the intellectual, social and emotional needs of high ability learners.



Career Pathways

Exploring future careers is a valuable part of a high school student's experience in Eastern Carver County Schools. Students have the option to choose courses from the pathways below as they move through high school. Within these courses, students can learn if a career is right for them, develop marketable skills, and in some cases earn college credit.



Business and Marketing



Computer Science



Culinary



Education and Child Development



Graphic and Media Arts



Health Care



Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice



Manufacturing and Trades























Specialized Education Services

We prepare every student to achieve their personal best, engage in lifelong learning, and be a thoughtful and responsible citizen. Our goal is to see students with disabilities succeed in their least restrictive environment. We provide specially designed instruction and related services that enable a student with a disability to access and benefit from their program of education. Our staff have special expertise in all areas of educational abilities.

The focus of special education is to ensure a Free & Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) for eligible students identified as having a disability and who need individualized and specialized instruction. This instruction must be calculated to provide for progress toward goals and objectives through a collaborative process between parents/guardians, students, and professional staff. Special education addresses the individual needs of the child that arise from a disability and is provided at no cost to the parents. Specially-designed instruction means adapting the content, methodology, or delivery of instruction (i.e. what we teach and how we teach it) to address the student's unique needs that arise as a result of their disability, and to ensure access to the general education curriculum.

Steps Toward Adult Responsibility (STAR)

The STAR program prepares students for life after age 22, including independent living and job skills.



Preschool & Early Childhood

Our youngest learners from birth through age five and their families are served through our early childhood programming including Early Childhood Family Education courses, preschool, early childhood screening, and family literacy courses. Our Early Childhood programs and StormHawks Preschool were recently renewed with a 4-star Parent Aware Rating. The rating indicates our programs are proudly using best practices that prepare children for school and life.

Preschool Options

- Taste of Preschool
- Nature-Based Preschool
- 3 Year Old Preschool
- 4 Year Old Preschool
- Optional childcare before and after preschool

Early Childhood Screening

The years from birth to kindergarten are an important time of rapid learning and growth. Early Childhood Screening is a simple check of how a child is growing and developing. Between the ages of three and four, screening can detect possible health or learning concerns so that children can get help before starting kindergarten. This free screening can be scheduled online at eccs.mn/screening.





Community Education

Community Education offers programs and services for people of all ages and abilities. Programs vary and include early childhood, youth enrichment, sports and fitness, and adult special interest topics.

Youth Enrichment

Continue to learn, explore interests, and have fun! Our programs strive to incorporate 21st century skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, communication and collaboration, and STEM principles.

Sports & Activities

Expand on your interests in robotics, music genres, drama, or sports! Many after school activities are led by district teachers.

Frequent participation in after school programs has shown to improve academic performance, school attendance, and behavior.

Adults

Explore a new hobby, meet new people, and deepen your knowledge! Offerings are available in cooking, technology, sports, and much more.

Our community embraces a wealth of resources, and Community Ed is positioned to offer a variety of quality learning options.

MISSION

We prepare every student to achieve their personal best, engage in lifelong learning, and be a thoughtful and responsible citizen.

CORE VALUES

STUDENT-CENTERED: Student needs and growth drive our words, actions, and choices

EXCELLENCE: Committed to high standards and striving for our best

RESPECT: Everyone is seen, heard, valued, and included

COLLABORATION: Engaging, listening, and partnering with others to learn, develop, and innovate

ACCOUNTABILITY: Fostering a culture of integrity and responsibility

VISION

We are committed to providing educational excellence for all by:

- ★ Offering personalized, rigorous academic and extensive extracurricular programming delivered by highly-trained staff
- Promoting a welcoming, inclusive, and equitable culture where everyone has the opportunities and supports needed to be successful
- Engaging with community partners to support student learning and career exploration
- ★ Investing our resources wisely to best meet the needs of our learners and communities

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

- Improving TEACHING AND
 PERSONALIZED LEARNING
 for the development of each
 learner
- Fostering a SAFE,
 WELCOMING, AND
 INCLUSIVE environment
- Developing STRONG
 PARTNERSHIPS within the
 communities we serve
- Optimizing our management of **RESOURCES** to support student learning



DESIRED DAILY EXPERIENCE

Success toward achieving our vision is measured through progress toward actualizing the desired daily experiences of our families, students and staff.

Families



- My child is seen, heard, valued, trusted, and respected for who they are and who they want to be
- My child's education helps them grow as a person, not just academically and prepares them for whatever path they choose after high school
- I am seen, heard, valued, trusted, and respected for who I am and my hopes for my child
- I have the resources I need to support my child's learning

Students



- I am seen, heard, valued, trusted, and respected for who I am and who I want to be
- My classes are engaging, the content is relevant, and the instruction and feedback are helpful and meaningful
- I like being at school, have time to be with my friends, and can talk openly with my teachers

Staff



- I am seen, heard, valued, trusted and respected for who I am and my knowledge, skills, and ambitions
- I have access to resources, time, and professional development to help me grow
- I am heard, encouraged, supported, and inspired by leadership
- I have timely communication, direction, and clear goals to be successful

Student Enrollment









Whether you're new to our district or already a resident, a transfer or an incoming kindergartner, our knowledgeable Welcome Center staff are here to support you.

- Enroll now with an online application: eccs.mn/enroll
- Find school boundary information: eccs.mn/boundaryfinder
- Request a school tour: eccs.mn/tour

OPEN ENROLLMENT

If you live outside of ECCS boundaries, we welcome you via the open enrollment process. Our Welcome Center staff can help you complete the open enrollment form.

WELCOME CENTER

The Welcome Center is your one-stop resource to get your registration questions answered and to enroll in our district.

In person: 11 Peavey Road, Chaska, MN 55318

7:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

Phone: 952-556-6112

Email: WelcomeCenter@district112.org

Welcome to Eastern Carver County Schools!

We're so glad you're here!



School Contact Information

BLUFF CREEK ELEMENTARY

2300 Coulter Boulevard, Chanhassen, MN 55317 Office: 952-556-6600; Fax: 952-556-6609 School Hours: 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM

CARVER ELEMENTARY

1717 Ironwood Drive, Carver, MN 55315 Office: 952-556-1900; Fax: 952-556-1909 School Hours: 7:45 AM – 2:15 PM

CHANHASSEN ELEMENTARY

7600 Laredo Drive, Chanhassen, MN 55317 Office: 952-556-6700; Fax: 952-556-6709 School Hours: 7:45 AM – 2:15 PM

CLOVER RIDGE ELEMENTARY

114000 Hundertmark Road, Chaska, MN 55318 Office: 952-556-6900; Fax: 952-556-6909 School Hours: 7:45 AM – 2:15 PM

JONATHAN ELEMENTARY

110300 Pioneer Trail West, Chaska, MN 55318 Office: 952-556-6500; Fax: 952-556-6509 School Hours: 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM

LA ACADEMIA & KINDER ACADEMY

1800 Chestnut Street, Chaska, MN 55318 Office: 952-556-6300; Fax: 952-556-6309 School Hours: 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM

VICTORIA ELEMENTARY

9300 Red Fox Drive, Victoria, MN 55386 Office: 952-556-3000; Fax: 952-556-3009 School Hours: 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM

CHASKA MIDDLE SCHOOL EAST

1600 Park Ridge Drive, Chaska, MN 55318 Office: 952-556-7600; Fax: 952-556-7609 School Hours: 8:40 AM – 3:30 PM

CHASKA MIDDLE SCHOOL WEST

140 Engler Boulevard East, Chaska, MN 55318 Office: 952-556-7400; Fax: 952-556-7409 School Hours: 8:40 AM – 3:30 PM

PIONEER RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

1085 Pioneer Trail, Chaska, MN 55318 Office: 952-556-7800; Fax: 952-556-7809 School Hours: 8:40 AM – 3:30 PM



CHANHASSEN HIGH SCHOOL

2200 Lyman Blvd, Chanhassen, MN 55317 Office: 952-556-3500; Fax: 952-556-3509 Activities/Athletics: 952-556-3530 Career Resource Center: 952-556-3545 School Hours: 7:45 AM – 2:35 PM

CHASKA HIGH SCHOOL

545 Pioneer Trail, Chaska, MN 55318 Office: 952-556-7100; Fax: 952-556-7109 Activities/Athletics: 952-556-7130 Career Resource Center: 952-556-1433 School Hours: 7:45 AM – 2:35 PM

INTEGRATED ARTS ACADEMY

11 Peavey Road, Chaska, MN 55318 Office: 952-556-6200; Fax: 952-556-6209 School Hours: 7:50 AM – 2:28 PM

STEPS TOWARD ADULT RESPONSIBILITY

309 Lake Hazeltine Drive, Chaska, MN 55318 Office: 952-556-6120; Fax: 952-556-6129

DISTRICT EDUCATION CENTER

11 Peavey Road, Chaska, MN 55318 Welcome Center: 952-556-6100 Fax: 952-556-6109

FAMILY LEARNING CENTER

Early Childhood & Community Education 110600 Village Road, Chaska, MN 55318

Office: 952-556-6400 Facility Rental: 952-556-6403

Fax: 952-556-6409







































