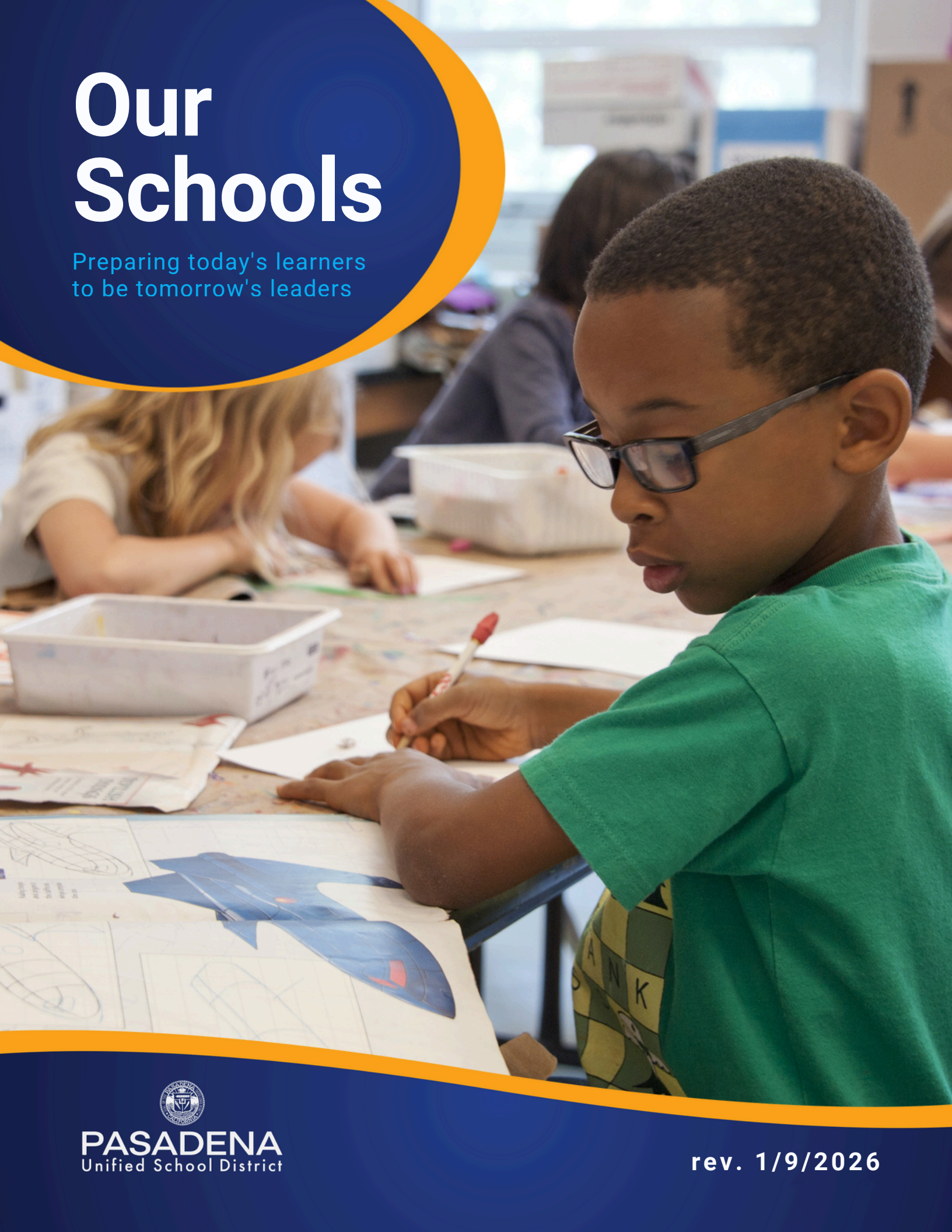


Our Schools

Preparing today's learners
to be tomorrow's leaders



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WELCOME TO PUSD

Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) is home to students in preschool through 12th grade who live in the communities of Altadena, Pasadena, and Sierra Madre.

PUSD offers high-quality educational choices for all students. We encourage you to visit your neighborhood school and discover the possibilities available close to home. We are also an Open Enrollment district, so families have the option to submit an application to attend other PUSD schools.

We invite you to visit any PUSD campus to see our vibrant academics, exceptional teachers, and supportive school communities that nurture the whole child.



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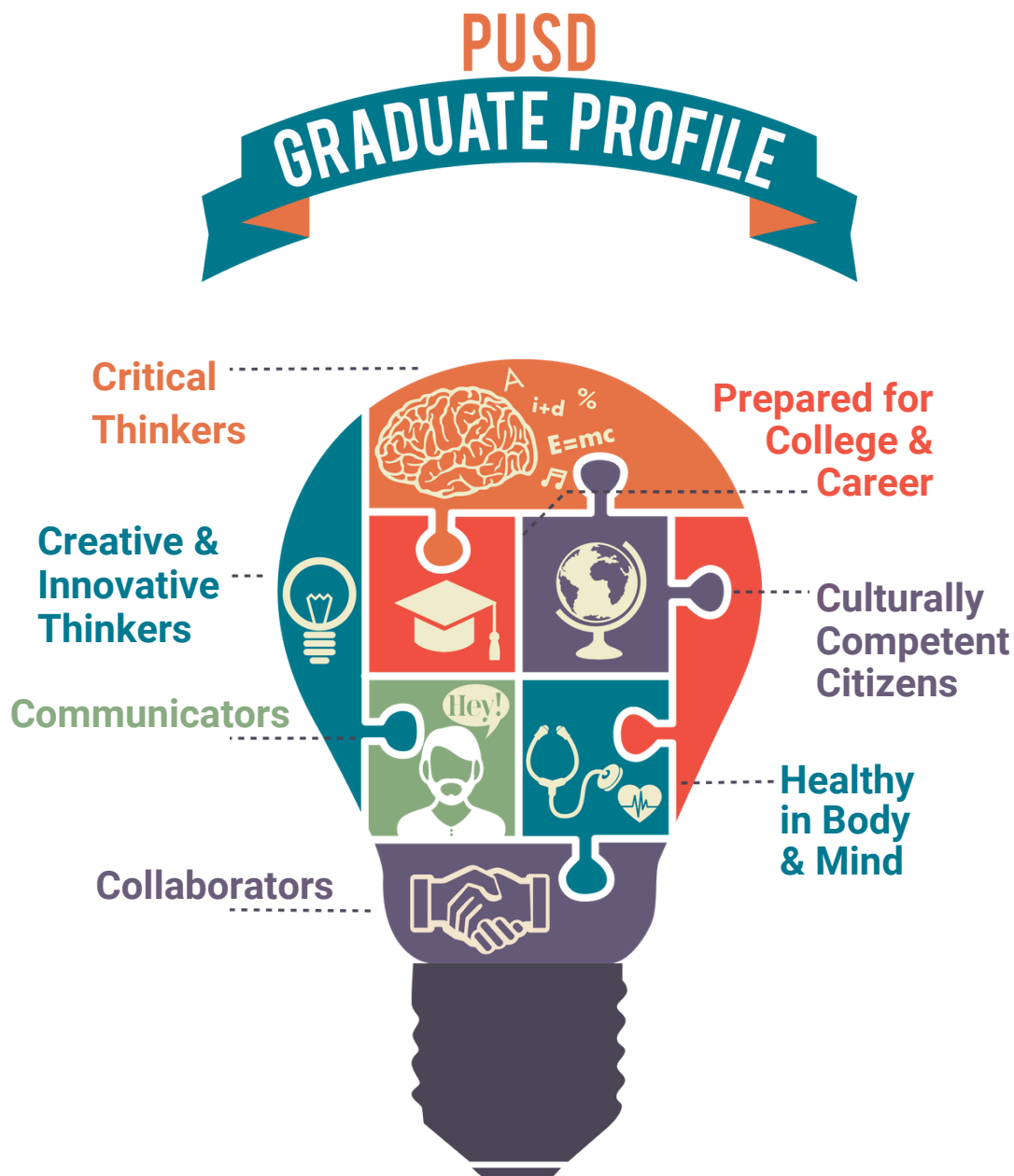


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PUSD TODAY

PUSD prepares today's students to be tomorrow's leaders. Every PUSD school uses curriculum aligned to California's *Common Core State Standards*. PUSD graduates earn admission to competitive colleges across the country.



ACADEMICS

What opportunities does PUSD offer at all schools?

RIGOR

Challenging curricula including advanced or accelerated learning opportunities and enrichment classes

1

2

SUPPORT

Project-based learning and small-group instruction that supports each child's unique development

TECHNOLOGY

Tools to create and collaborate including Chromebooks, 3D printers, and robotics

3

4

ARTS FOR ALL

Instrumental music, visual & performing arts, and visits to world-class theaters and museums

HEALTH

Sports, gardens, social-emotional learning, flexible seating, and a "growth mindset" approach to learning

5

6

AFTER-SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

Programs that offer homework help, arts, enrichment, and fun



SIGNATURE PROGRAMS

What special programs does PUSD offer to develop students' unique interests and talents?

ARTS MAGNETS

GRADES PRE-K-8

Create and learn through all five art forms: music, dance, visual arts, theater, and media arts.

- Altadena Arts Magnet (TK-5)
- Eliot Arts Magnet (6-8)

NEW!

ARTS CONSERVATORY

GRADES 6-8

- Eliot Arts Magnet

ARTS ACADEMIES

GRADES 9-12

Academy of Creative Industries

- Thurgood Marshall - Academy of Creative Industries
- John Muir Early College Magnet- Arts, Entertainment, & Media
- Pasadena High School- Creative Arts, Media, & Design



Express yourself.

STEM/STEAM

GRADES PRE-K-8

Design solutions to tomorrow's problems using integrated science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics.

- Jackson STEAM Multilingual Magnet (TK-5)
- Octavia E. Butler Magnet (6-8)

NEW!

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

- Washington Elementary STEM Magnet (TK-5)

MATH ACADEMY

GRADES 6-12

Take radically accelerated math courses including AP Calculus in 8th grade and college-level mathematics in high school.

- Octavia E. Butler Magnet (6-8)
- Sierra Madre Middle (6-8)
- Pasadena High (9-12)

STEM ACADEMIES

GRADES 9-12

App Academy

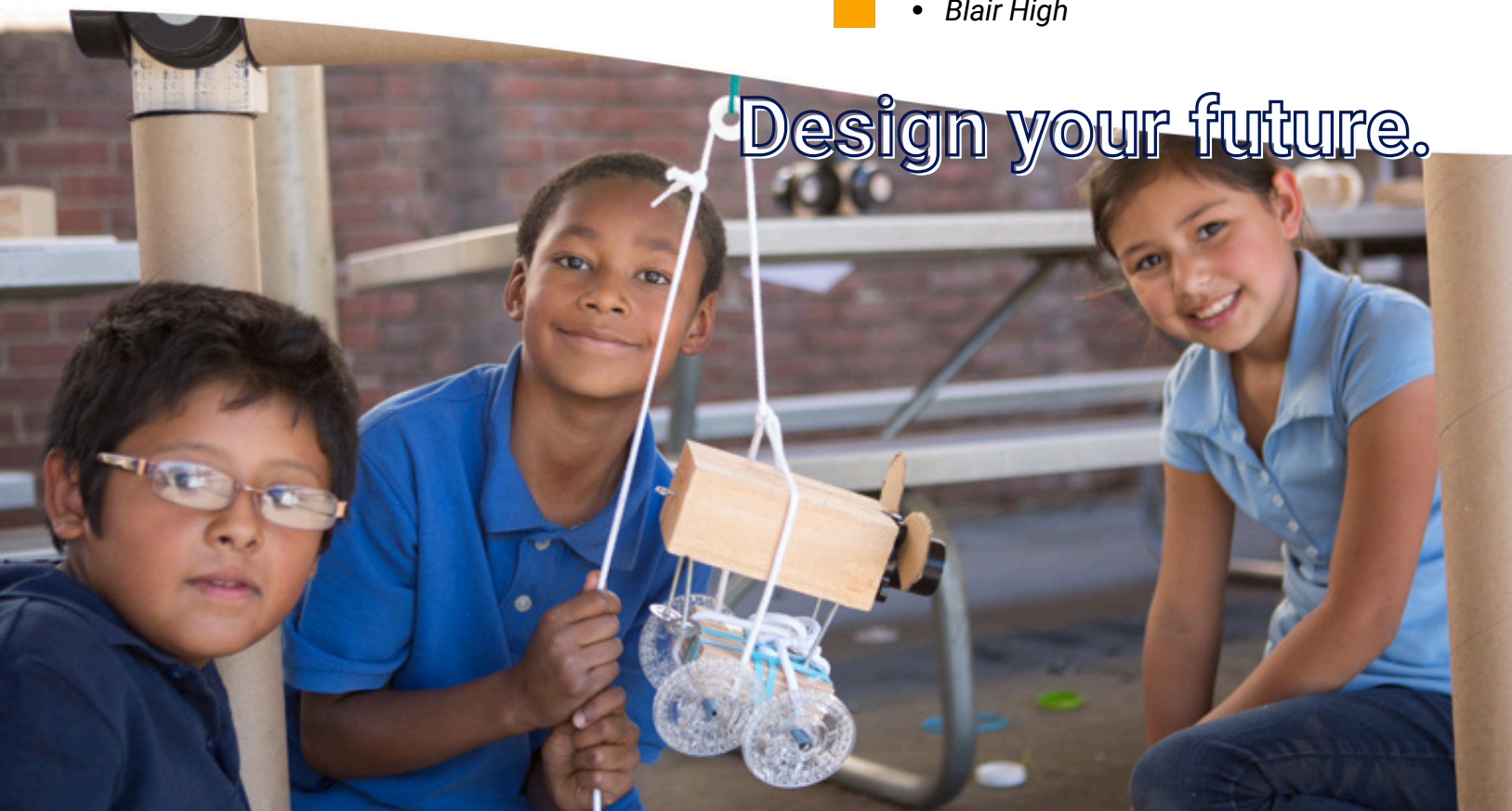
- Pasadena High

Engineering & Environmental Science

- John Muir Early College Magnet

Health Careers

- Blair High



Design your future.

DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION GRADES PRE-K-12

Become bilingual, biliterate, and bicultural.

French

- Altadena Arts Magnet (K-5)
- Eliot Arts Magnet (6-8)

Mandarin

- Field Elementary (PK-5)
- Sierra Madre Middle (6-8)
- Pasadena High (9-12)

Spanish

- Longfellow Magnet (TK-5)
- Jackson STEAM Multilingual Magnet (PK-5)
- San Rafael Elementary (PK-5)
- Blair High (6-12)
- Octavia E. Butler Magnet (6-8)

NEW!

CROSS-CULTURAL AWARENESS

- Longfellow Magnet (TK-5)

WORLD LANGUAGE

GRADES TK-12

Explore language and culture through daily or weekly enrichment classes.

Armenian

- Webster Elementary (TK-5)
- Blair High (6-12)

Spanish

- Longfellow Magnet (TK-5)
- Washington Elementary STEM Magnet (TK-5)
- Willard Elementary (TK-5)

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

GRADES TK-12

Create a more peaceful world through a school-wide focus on intercultural understanding and strong personal values.

- Willard Elementary (TK-5)
- Blair High (6-12)

Think globally.



AVID COLLEGE READINESS

GRADES TK-8

Prepare for college by learning success skills, touring college campuses, and learning alongside college tutors.

- *Madison Elementary (TK-5)*
- *Octavia E. Butler Magnet (6-8)*

NEW!

IMMERSIVE STORYTELLING ACADEMY

GRADES 6-7

Craft narratives that center Black experiences and culture using virtual reality, animation, music, and more!

CAREER ACADEMIES

GRADES 9-12

Business & Entrepreneurship

- *John Muir Early College Magnet*

Law & Public Service

- *Pasadena High*

EARLY COLLEGE

GRADES 9-12

Earn up to two years of college credits for free during high school through Pasadena City College.

- *John Muir Early College Magnet*

Follow your dreams.





EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Your child's educational journey begins here.

PUSD offers preschool to children ages three to five years old.

Options include:

- Half-day programs
- Full-day programs
- Mandarin Immersion
- Spanish Immersion
- STEAM Curriculum
- Free or reduced monthly rates for eligible families

Free, full-day transitional kindergarten is also available for students who turn 4 years old by September 1st.

Contact:

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earlychilddeduction@pusd.us

2101 E Washington Blvd., Pasadena

pusd.us/earlychildhood



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CIS ACADEMY: INDEPENDENT STUDY

K-5 ONLINE INDEPENDENT STUDY

Learn online in a flexible and personalized environment. Engage in live, daily lessons and weekly one-on-one teacher meetings for high-quality education, wherever you are!

- Enjoy access to a variety of digital libraries, grade-level resources, and rigorous curricula.
- Participate in optional, daily synchronous lessons, small-group instruction, and weekly one-on-one student-teacher conferences for a personalized and collaborative learning environment.*
- Experience flexibility that supports each family's individualized access to educational opportunities.

6-12 INDEPENDENT STUDY

Learn online or in-person through daily lessons and weekly one-on-one teacher meetings.

- Gain a standards-based education on a flexible schedule.
- Enroll anytime throughout the year.*

*Pending available space. Students with IEPs must first have an amendment conference stipulating that Independent Study is an appropriate learning strategy.

Contact:

(626) 396-5800 ext. 78001
300 S. Madre St., Pasadena
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ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

ALTADENA ARTS MAGNET, GRADES PRE-K-5

743 E. CALAVERAS ST., ALTADENA* • 626-396-5650

- Altadena Arts Magnet students are taught how to think, not what to think, through a rich, arts-integrated conservatory model. Students receive weekly instruction in all five art disciplines: Dance, Music, Theatre, Visual, and Media Arts. Professional Teaching Artists and a full-time Art Teacher work within the school day.
- As a certified Kindness School, social-emotional learning guides Altadena's approach to classroom engagement.
- A thriving French Dual Language Immersion option promotes bilingual, biliterate, and bicultural skills.
- *Temporary address: 1135 S Euclid Ave, Pasadena

DON BENITO FUNDAMENTAL SCHOOL, GRADES TK-5

3700 DENAIR ST., PASADENA • 626-396-5870

- Don Benito offers well-rounded learning experiences that foster leadership development, character-building, and academic excellence across all subject areas.
- Staff and families celebrate the school's diverse, close-knit community where everybody belongs and its award-winning excellence as a Gold Ribbon School and CA Distinguished School.
- Enrichment opportunities include arts and outdoor learning.

FIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, GRADES PRE-K-5

3600 E. SIERRA MADRE BLVD., PASADENA • 626-396-5860

- Our school-wide Mandarin Immersion program develops students' proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing in Mandarin (Simplified Chinese) and English.
- Our annually celebrated cultural events such as Mid-Autumn Moon Festival and Lunar New Year further deepen our student's multicultural connection, understanding, and appreciation of world languages and cultures in our global society.
- Field's learning environment includes technology integration, library services, student leadership activities, and more.



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HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, GRADES PRE-K-5

2089 ROSE VILLA ST., PASADENA • 626-396-5730

- Hamilton nurtures, inspires, and challenges students to be confident, creative, and successful leaders. Monthly celebrations recognize student leadership.
- Our librarian inspires a love of rich literature and expository text through weekly class visits to our amazing library.
- Hamilton traditions that foster community include character assemblies, SMART night, Cultural Fair, 5th-grade learning demonstrations, Science Fair, field trips, and unforgettable experiences led by visiting CalTech and JPL scientists.

LONGFELLOW MAGNET, GRADES PRE-K-5

1065 E. WASHINGTON BLVD., PASADENA • 626-396-5720

- Our Spanish Dual Language Immersion and Spanish Exploratory pathways provide opportunities for all students to develop and deepen their mastery of Spanish.
- As a Cross-Cultural Awareness Magnet, students learn to be global citizens through discovery of different cultures, celebration of diverse perspectives, and development critical thinking skills. Our student-curated museum showcases students' learning.
- All students receive art and music instruction weekly from Pasadena Conservatory of Music and a credentialed art teacher and artist in residence.

MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, GRADES PRE-K-5

515 ASHTABULA ST., PASADENA • 626-396-5780

- We offer AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination), a college readiness system that exposes students to college-going culture and age-appropriate success skills beginning in kindergarten.
- Our students' educational experience is enriched by our City/School Collaboration Initiative which brings real-world experience into the classroom through our community garden, JPL, LA Astronomers Club, Caltech, and other partners.
- All students are involved in STEAM projects and hands-on labs.

MARY W. JACKSON STEAM MULTILINGUAL MAGNET, GRADES PRE-K-5

593 W. WOODBURY RD., ALTADENA • 626-396-5700

- All students benefit from our STEAM curriculum, our full-time science teacher who runs our hands-on science laboratory, and a full-time music teacher who provides vocal and instrumental classes.
- Our Spanish Dual Language Immersion option promotes biliteracy in a nurturing, diverse school environment.
- Our partnership with the Garden School Foundation provides a trained instructor to implement garden-based life sciences and healthy cooking classes using fresh produce from our garden.

MCKINLEY SCHOOL, GRADES TK-8

325 S. OAK KNOLL AVE., PASADENA • 626-396-5630

- Our unique TK-8th grade structure enables students, families, and school personnel to establish deep relationships as a school community, providing families with continuity of service for 10 years.
- We provide an arts-focused community with performances throughout the year, a full-time music teacher, visual arts, choir, drumline, and more!
- Our middle school program offers an Immersive Storytelling Academy. Through engaging interactive projects, students learn to craft their own narratives using virtual reality, animation, music, and standards-based curriculum. The academy is open to all, and centers Black experiences and cultures through innovative technology.

NORMA COOMBS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, GRADES TK-5

2600 PALOMA ST., PASADENA • 626-396-5660

- We cultivate forward-thinking, innovative educators and student leaders.
- Our staff pioneered the successful Readers' and Writers' Workshop model, an instructional model that focuses on students' individual needs and strengths to improve engagement and reading comprehension and to help students become confident and capable writers.
- Our renowned ceramics program and after-school choir are the best in Pasadena.

SAN RAFAEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, GRADES PRE-K-5

1090 NITHSDALE RD., PASADENA • 626-396-5790

- Our school-wide Spanish immersion program ensures that all students become biliterate in English and Spanish and develop an appreciation of Hispanic and Latino cultures.
- Our arts focus includes a full-time visual art teacher, music instruction for all students, and a spring musical production.
- A full-time PE teacher provides healthy recreation for students and enables collaborative planning time for teachers.

SIERRA MADRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, GRADES PRE-K-5

141 W. HIGHLAND AVE., SIERRA MADRE • 626-396-5890

- All students participate in our celebrated visual and performing arts programs.
- Enrichment opportunities include PE, art, gardening, music, and library visits.
- Our campus environment includes a Japanese Zen garden and koi pond as well as the largest public native garden in California, offset by sycamore trees and a view of Mount Wilson.

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY STEM MAGNET, GRADES PRE-K-5

1520 N. RAYMOND AVE., PASADENA • 626-396-5840

- Our students grow and develop as stewards of the Earth who understand how global communities are connected through our dependence on and responsibilities to the natural environment. All students participate in hands-on environmental studies lessons within their classrooms and in each of our specialized spaces, including the STEM lab, technology innovation lab, imagination workshop, and outdoor garden classrooms.
- We offer Spanish language instruction through dance, theatre, and cuisine as students explore more than 20 Spanish-speaking countries.
- Fieldwork in Los Angeles County's natural areas enables students to solve environmental challenges through creativity and design.

WEBSTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, GRADES PRE-K-5

2101 E. WASHINGTON BLVD., PASADENA • 626-396-5740

- The Webster STEAM Lab offers a space for students to engage in experiential learning and create 3D designs in our new makerspace.
- We offer weekly art and music instruction, including general music, choir, and instrumental music. Performing arts opportunities abound and culminate with a schoolwide musical each Spring.
- Webster is proud to have a diverse student body and staff that promotes cultural awareness and an inclusive environment for all.
- Students have the option to participate in Webster's Armenian World Language Program to engage in daily learning of the Armenian language, dance, music, and more!

WILLARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, GRADES PRE-K-5

301 S. MADRE ST., PASADENA • 626-396-5690

- The International Baccalaureate® (IB) Primary Years Programme develops students' academic, social, and emotional well-being with a focus on international-mindedness and strong personal values.
- Our students reflect a variety of cultures, languages, and lifestyles. We embrace the IB values and treat one another with respect, warmth, and a true regard and appreciation for our differences, as well as for all that we share.
- All students take weekly Spanish, Music, and Art classes and engage in project-based learning.

SECONDARY SCHOOLS

BLAIR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES 6-12

1201 S. MARENGO AVE., PASADENA • 626-396-5820

- We offer the International Baccalaureate® (IB) Middle Years Programme for all students in grades 6-10 and the academically rigorous IB Diploma Programme for students in grades 11 and 12.
- The Spanish Dual Language Immersion Program, the International Academy for students new to our country, and the new Armenian Immersion Program add to our world view.
- Our Health Careers Academy offers the International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme Certificate.

ELIOT ARTS MAGNET, GRADES 6-8

2184 N. LAKE AVE., ALTADENA* • 626-396-5680

- Students select from a 3-year visual or performing arts conservatory pathway or integrated arts pathway to develop their talents as they play and analyze music; develop dance techniques and choreography; perform and produce theatrical shows; and present digital and studio art projects.
- Our artists-in-residence collaborate with students and teachers to bring creativity and innovation into all subjects.
- Students create in our dance studio, visual art studios, Mac lab, costume shop, garden, and newly refurbished auditorium.
- *Temporary Address: 325 S. Oak Knoll Ave., Pasadena

JOHN MUIR EARLY COLLEGE MAGNET, GRADES 9-12

1905 LINCOLN AVE., PASADENA • 626-396-5600

- Our Early College partnership with Pasadena City College enables students to earn up to two years of college credits, tuition-free, along with their high school diploma. Courses are offered in an on-campus PCC building during the school day.
- Students also enroll in one of three school-wide College & Career Academies to engage in career exploration and internships with our renowned business partners.
- Our students have an opportunity to explore a wealth of learning options including college courses, AP courses, and electives due to our 8-course/4-period day block schedule. We also offer numerous performing arts, athletics, and clubs on campus to build community and school spirit.



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OCTAVIA E. BUTLER MAGNET, GRADES 6-8

1505 N. MARENGO AVE., PASADENA • 626-396-5830

- Our campus is home to a Spanish Dual Language Immersion Program, the Math Academy for highly advanced math students, an incomparable musical theatre program, and AVID college readiness electives.
- Hands-on STEAM lessons and project-based learning are integrated into our core classes, and STEAM classes are taught in our Design Lab outfitted with tools, 3D printers, and materials that inspire creativity.
- We are the first school in California to earn the National Certificate for STEM Excellence.

PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES 9-12

2925 E. SIERRA MADRE BLVD., PASADENA • 626-396-5880

- As PUSD's largest comprehensive high school, we offer a variety of outstanding curricular and extra-curricular programs, Advanced Placement classes, and college-level Math Academy courses.
- Students may opt for one of three College & Career Academies: App; Creative Arts, Media & Design; and Law & Public Service.
- We offer Mandarin, French, and Spanish to students continuing in a dual language program and to students new to world language courses.

SIERRA MADRE MIDDLE SCHOOL, GRADES 6-8

160 N. CAÑON AVE., SIERRA MADRE • 626-396-5910

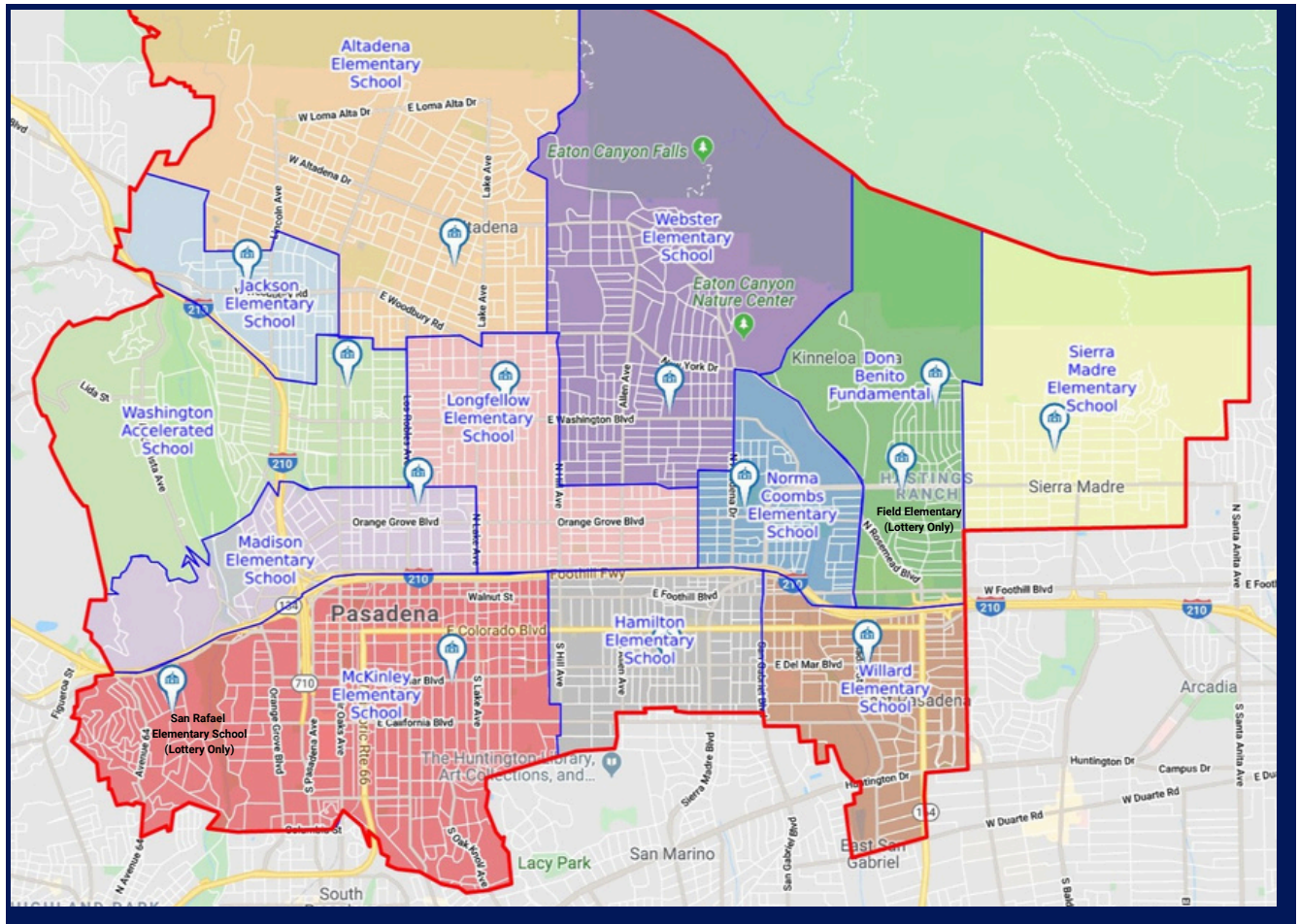
- We provide a comprehensive educational experience including a robust visual and performing arts program.
- Our unique Mandarin Dual Language Immersion Program option gives students an opportunity to further strengthen their listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Mandarin and English, and Our challenging Math Academy provides a rigorous course of study for students looking to take their math achievement to different level.
- Our SMMS Service Club is the most popular club on campus, promoting volunteer opportunities in and around our city.

THURGOOD MARSHALL SECONDARY SCHOOL, GRADES 6-12

990 N. ALLEN AVE., PASADENA • 626-396-5810

- Our 6th–12th Grade academic model seamlessly bridges middle to high school.
- Robust arts programming includes beginning, intermediate, and advanced offerings in art, band, choir, dance, drama, and orchestra and the Academy for Creative Industries, with concentrations in graphic design and dance production.
- Marshall's Signature AP Program offers 23 AP Courses - including AP African American Studies, AP Computer Science, AP Music Theory, AP PreCalculus, and the AP Capstone Diploma Program, which encompasses AP Seminar & AP Research.

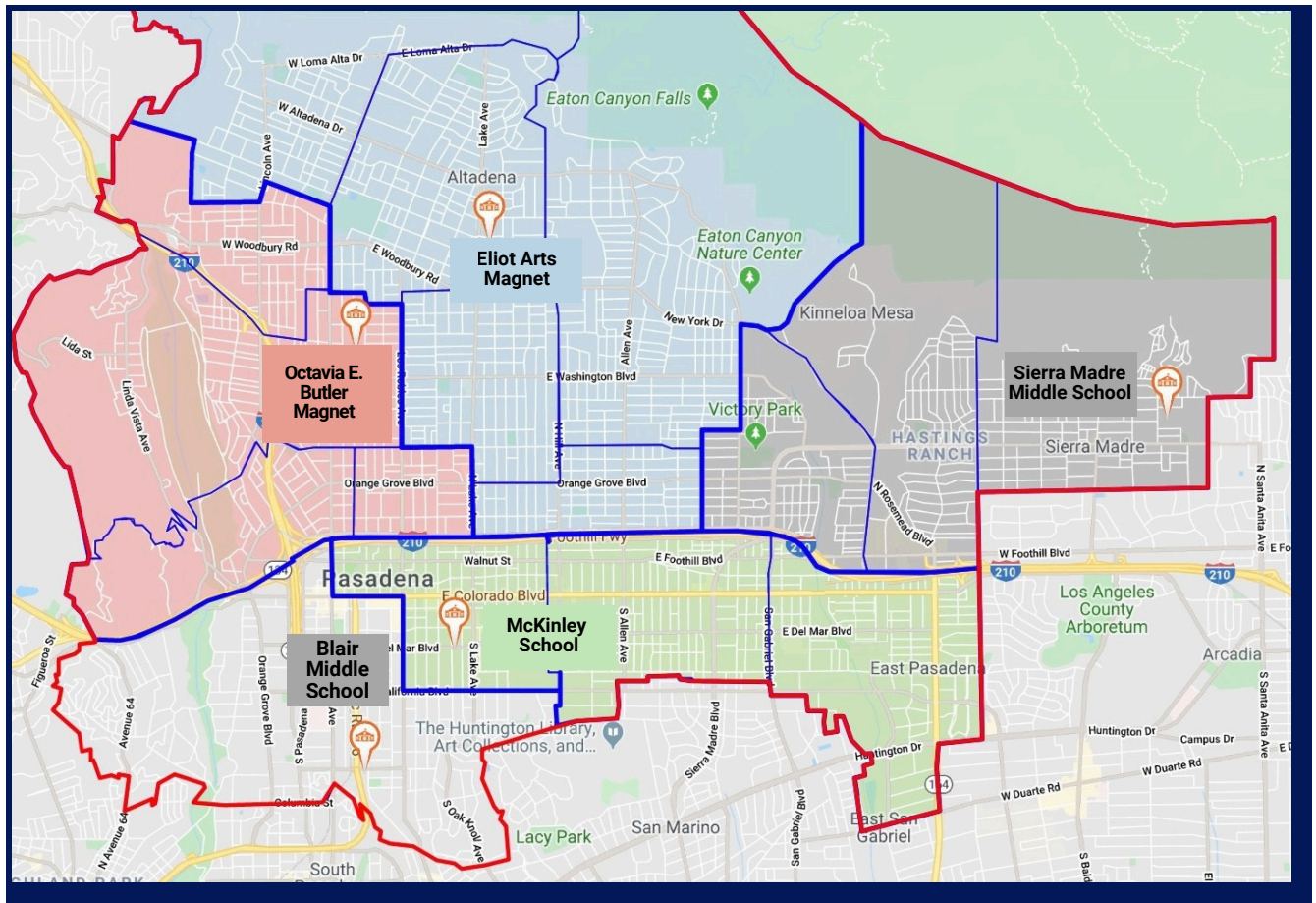
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*Altadena Arts Magnet is temporarily located at the Allendale campus, located to the South of McKinley Elementary.

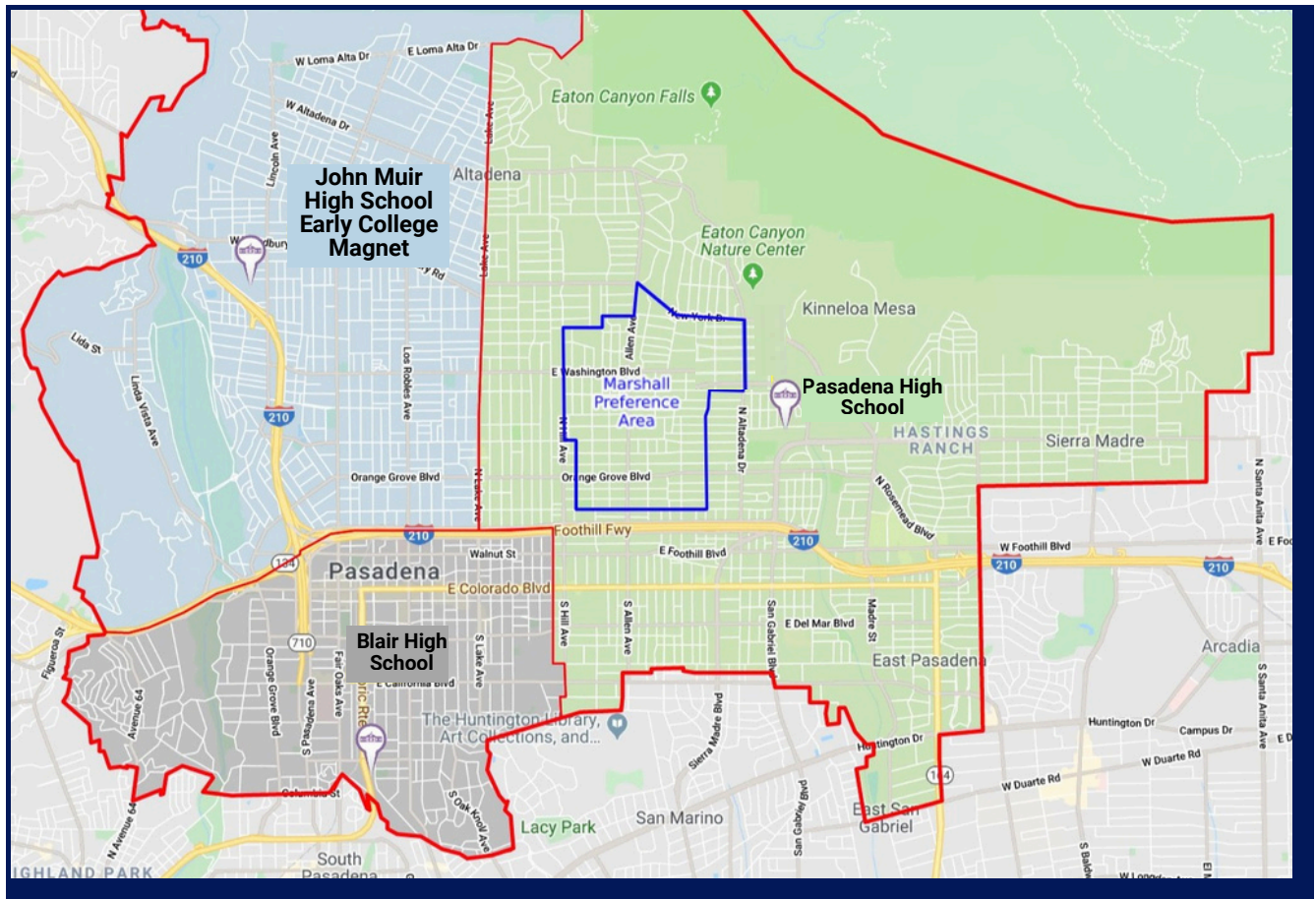
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*Eliot Arts Magnet is temporarily co-located with the McKinley School campus.

SCHOOL LOCATOR



HIGH SCHOOLS

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[PUSD.US/ENROLL](https://pusd.us/enroll)



ENROLL IN PUSD

1

STEP 1: SEARCH

Visit your neighborhood school and other schools that interest your family.

2

STEP 2: SELECT

Select your neighborhood school, or complete an online Open Enrollment application to select other schools you prefer. Open Enrollment lottery applications are required to apply for:

- Schools other than your neighborhood school
- Dual Language Immersion Programs
- Transitional Kindergarten Programs

3

STEP 3: SUBMIT

Submit registration information for your neighborhood school or your offered lottery school.

You will need a copy of:

- Child's birth certificate
- Child's most recent immunization record
- Proof of address
 - Recent gas, water, or electric bill
 - Deed of trust, mortgage receipt, rent receipt with lease agreement, or property tax bill
- Transcripts (middle & high school only)

COMMON QUESTIONS

1. AT WHAT AGE MAY MY CHILD ENROLL IN TK OR KINDERGARTEN?

Transitional Kindergarten students must turn 4 and Kindergarten students must turn 5 by September 1 of the entering school year.

2. WHAT IS MY NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL?

Visit [PUSD.US/FINDMYSCHOOL](https://pusd.us/findmyschool) to determine your child's neighborhood school, an assigned school based on a student's home address.

Students have priority to attend their neighborhood school. A number of seats at lottery-only schools, TK programs, and dual language programs are reserved for neighborhood students. Students who live within this area may be more likely to be accepted, but they are not guaranteed placement in these schools or programs.

3. DO I NEED TO PARTICIPATE IN OPEN ENROLLMENT?

Open Enrollment is required for students who wish to: a) attend a transitional kindergarten program, b) enroll in a Dual Language Immersion Program, c) request a school other than their neighborhood school, d) transfer, including transfers to neighborhood schools.

4. WHAT IF I MISS THE OPEN ENROLLMENT DATES?

Continuing PUSD students may submit late applications until two weeks before school starts. New-to-PUSD families may apply at any time. Any school offers will be based on availability in the requested program and grade level.

5. IS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED TO SCHOOLS?

No, families are responsible for providing transportation except where required by law.



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6. HOW DO I APPLY IF PUSD IS NOT MY DISTRICT?

Families who do not live in Pasadena, Altadena, or Sierra Madre may submit an interdistrict permit request. Visit **PUSD.US/ENROLL** for dates and forms.

7. DO PRESCHOOL AND STUDENTS RECEIVE PRIORITY TO REMAIN AT THE SCHOOL FOR TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN (TK) OR KINDERGARTEN?

No, preschool enrollment is not a reason for priority registration. PUSD preschool students should participate in Open Enrollment for transitional kindergarten and kindergarten.

8. DO TK STUDENTS RECEIVE PRIORITY TO REMAIN AT THE SCHOOL FOR KINDERGARTEN?

Yes, for grades TK and up, students can remain at the school until the exit grade level. TK applicants should only participate in Open Enrollment if they want to change programs or schools from kindergarten.

9. WILL SIBLINGS BE PLACED AT THE SAME SCHOOL?

Yes. A new student who plans to attend the same school as an older sibling may register during priority registration if the older sibling will remain at the school for the next year. Twins participating in the lottery must put the same choices in the same order on their applications to be assigned to the same school. When one of the twins receives their lottery assignment, both students will receive it. Sibling priority offers are based on grade level and program availability.

10. DO FAMILIES NEED TO SUBMIT AN OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION EVERY YEAR?

No, families who are accepted and enrolled in a school through Open Enrollment may remain at that school without re-applying. Additionally, students in magnet, IB, and dual language programs qualify for priority registration at secondary schools that offer the continuation of the program.



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