



Frequently Asked Questions about Magnet Schools

How do magnet schools differ from charter schools?

Magnet schools are operated by the local school district. They are overseen by the local board and do not have a separate governance board. They are not required to have an approved charter or operating document.

How do I enroll my child in a magnet school?

Each district or school will have applications for the magnet school. There may be a limit to the number of students that can attend the magnet school. In that case the school or district will use a lottery to determine enrollment.

Is there a cost for attending a magnet school?

Magnet schools are public schools. There is no charge for attending.

Are magnet schools accredited?

Magnet high schools are required to be accredited, which allows credits earned at that school to be transferred to another school without any problems. Accreditation for elementary schools is optional.