Meet with a Registration Specialist who will review residency documentation and all other documentation required to enroll in BPS; once reviewed, the Specialist will begin the registration process.

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For the most current school hours, visit:
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Boston Public Schools offer academic, social-emotional, cultural, and extracurricular programs that meet the diverse needs of all families across the city. From pre-kindergarten through middle school and continuing through high school, our schools strive to develop in every learner the knowledge, skills, and character to excel in college, career, and life.

**BPS offers:**

- Guaranteed full-day “K2” for all 5-year-olds, more than 2,400 “K1” seats for 4-year-olds, and a selective “K0” 3-year-old program; These early education offerings range from extended day schools for early learners, to a Montessori program, to traditional public schools.
- Schools with different grade configurations including a growing number of K-8 and 7-12 programs;
- A range of school models including traditional, innovation, pilot, and in-district charter schools;
- Schools with programs for talented and gifted students, English Learners, and students with disabilities.

As you explore your school options, visit our schools and talk to our principals, teachers, students, and parents. We know that you will find several choices that make Boston Public Schools the right home for your family!

**BPS knows that school hours are an important factor when choosing a school.** Decisions on these hours sometimes happen after the printing of this publication. To see the most up-to-date 2018-2019 school hours, visit [www.bostonpublicschools.org/belltimes](http://www.bostonpublicschools.org/belltimes).
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WHO should register for school?
In Massachusetts, every child must start school in September of the calendar year in which he or she turns six years old. (A birth year of 2012 for School Year 2018-2019). In Boston, seats are guaranteed for K2 Kindergarten for all students who will be 5 by Sept. 1, 2018 for School Year 2018-2019. There are also limited seats for children ages 3 and 4, although these are not guaranteed.

WHAT are my school choices?
BPS offers a customized list of school choices for each family based on their home address. Visit DiscoverBPS.org for your personalized list.

WHERE can I register?
Visit any of our Welcome Centers. Learn more at www.bostonpublicschools.org/welcomeservices
- Dorchester - 1216 Dorchester Ave
- East Boston - 312 Border Street
- Roslindale - 515 Hyde Park Ave
- Roxbury - 2300 Washington Street, 2nd floor
- Pop-Up Welcome Centers located in Allston, Dorchester, and Mattapan

WHEN should I register?
2017-2018 school year: Now
2018-2019 school year, for the best chances of getting your top choice:
- January 3-February 9 Pre-Kindergarten and grades 6, 7, or 9
- February 12-March 23 Kindergarten, Grades 1-5, 8, 10-12
  Seats are guaranteed for grades K2-12 no matter when you register. However, we strongly encourage you to register during your priority round for the best chance of getting your top choices.

HOW do I register?
Visit a Welcome Center. All registrations, transfers, and changes of address must be completed by parents or guardians there. To streamline your visit, pre-registration is available at sis.mybps.org and appointments can be scheduled at booknow.appointment-plus.com/8517n4dg. Please bring with you:
- Parent photo identification
- Child’s original birth certificate (or, if necessary, passport or I-94)
- Child’s up-to-date immunization record (see page 5)
- Two proofs of Boston residency (see page 5)
### Who Needs to Visit a Welcome Center?

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Learn About Our Schools

How can I learn more about each school?

**Online:** DiscoverBPS.org is our online tool to help you learn about the different programs, hours, uniform policies, facilities, and the academic performance of the schools on your list.

**Information Sessions:** In the Fall, across the city, Welcome Center staff host information sessions to help families better understand the registration and choice process. For a schedule, visit bostonpublicschools.org/welcomeservices or ask a Welcome Center.

**School Preview Times:** Each school organizes three different times during December and January for families to visit the school and interact with faculty and staff. For a schedule, visit bostonpublicschools.org/schoolpreview or a Welcome Center.

**Citywide Schools Showcase:** This event is an opportunity for you to learn about all Boston Public Schools in one place. This event is held at the TD Garden, Saturday, December 9, 2017 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Every school is represented.

How are schools rated?

All schools in BPS (for school year 2017-2018) were rated by the State of Massachusetts but in different ways depending on the grade level of each school. All elementary, middle, and K-8 schools were given achievement percentiles, which compare similar grade-level schools based on their state test data. High schools are rated from 1 to 5, with 1s being schools that met their targets to close achievement gaps, and 5s being schools that the state chose to take over to facilitate dramatic shifts in achievement. Schools in lower grades were also given Levels 4 and 5 if they needed significant improvement, and Level 3 if they had very low test participation.
Registering Your Child

Before You Visit A Welcome Center

- Get your list of schools at DiscoverBPS.org
- Pre-register online at sis.mybps.org
- Schedule an appointment at booknow.appointment-plus.com/8517n4dg
- Bring the following documents:
  - Child’s original birth certificate, I-94 form or passport
  - Child’s up-to-date immunization record
  - Parent/Guardian’s photo identification
  - Proof of Residency: two of these pre-printed with the name and current address of the student’s parent/guardian:
    - A utility bill (cannot be a water or cell phone bill), dated within the past 60 days
    - A current lease, Section 8 agreement, or BPS residency affidavit, dated within a year
    - A deed or a mortgage statement, or a property tax bill dated within the last year
    - A W2 form dated within the year, or a payroll stub dated within the past 60 days
    - A letter from an approved government agency, dated within the past 60 days
    - A bank or credit card statement, dated within the past 60 days

Visit a Welcome Center

Bring the documents listed above to one of our four Welcome Centers (see page 2).

- If you are registering for this school year, come as soon as possible, any time we are open.
- If you are registering for next school year:
  - Entering grades K0, K1, 6, 7, or 9: visit any Welcome Center between January 3 and February 9 for the best chances of getting your top choices. You will be notified by March 30.
  - Entering any other grade, visit any Welcome Center between February 12 and March 23 for the best chances of getting your top choices. You will be notified by May 31.
  - Seats are guaranteed for grade K2-12 no matter when you register.

Required Immunizations to Register for School

(Note: requirements are for this year only.)

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For more information, go to: mass.gov and type “immunization” in the Search box. Please contact BPS Health Services at 617-635-6788 if you have questions.
Registering Your Child

Next Steps

- **If your child is not an English Learner and does not have disabilities:** Your child will be assigned within a few days if you registered for this school year. If you registered for the next school year, please see the dates listed on the inside cover.

- **If a language other than English is spoken at home:** Your family may need to visit the Newcomer Assessment & Counseling Center for language testing.

- **If your child has a disability:** Your school selections will be sent to the Office of Special Education for review (and possible assignment).

- **Out of district vocational requests:** Students considering this option should contact the Office of Career and Technical Education for help with this process (msylvia@bostonpublicschools.org). The deadline for this request is April 1.

- **If you are registering for both this school year and next school year:** Your child may be assigned to one school for this year and a different school for next year. While Boston Public Schools does its best to place students in the same school both years, there are not always seats available across school years at the same school. Registering during the earliest round for next year’s grade will increase your child’s chance of getting a seat in the same school both years.

### Age Requirement for Enrollment for School Year 2018-2019

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Students will be placed based on specific needs and program availability.

Students Experiencing Homelessness

If you move to a shelter, are doubled up (sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing and economic hardship), or are living in any other temporary situation, go to any Welcome Center and give them your new address.

Students have the right to stay in their current school for the duration of homelessness, even if they move to a different school district. Transportation will be provided if the ride for a K0-K2 student is 45 minutes or less. Transportation will be provided for 1st to 12th grade students if the ride is an hour or less. Students have the right to stay at their current school whether or not they live with their parents. The parent/guardian may also choose to enroll the child in a school within the new home-based list, town, or city where they live temporarily. If a student becomes homeless during the summer and has to move, the student can return to the school that he or she last attended. Transportation may be provided unless the new address is within a mile of the student’s school. If the family moves into permanent housing, the student may finish the year in the same school and transportation will be provided.

For assistance, please call the Homeless Education Resource Network at 617-635-8037.
BPS has a **Home-Based** student assignment policy to assign K0 through grade 8 students. All of our high schools remain citywide options for all students.

**The Home-Based plan uses a student’s home as the starting point.**

BPS offers a customized list of school choices to ensure that every family has access to high-quality schools, no matter where they live. Every family has a choice of at least six schools; most will have between 10 and 14 choices. English Learners and Special Education students may have modifications to their choice list depending on their individual needs. See page 13 for details.

**The list includes:**
- Every school within a one-mile radius of the home
- As needed, nearby, high-quality options
- Specific program offerings for the grade of the child, such as a bilingual program, a K0 program, citywide options, regional options, and/or an Advanced Work Class (AWC) program
- School determined by earlier policies, such as a school that changed building locations

Students who apply during priority registration have the best chance of assignment to their top schools. The Home-Based plan uses an algorithm, similar to a lottery, to determine assignment based on both a random number and a series of priorities (see page 8 for details). As a result, we cannot guarantee an applicant will be assigned to one of his or her top choices. Also, due to limited numbers of seats, we cannot guarantee assignment for K0 or K1.

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**Home-Based Key**
*Example for K2 student living at 2300 Washington Street, Roxbury*

- Schools within 1 mile
- Additional high-quality options
- Citywide options
- Closest school for early learners (EEC/ELC)
- Other
School Assignment Policy

What are the “priorities?”

Sometimes, a school doesn’t have room for every student who lists it as a choice. When this happens, the computer assigns students based on priority:

1. Present School Priority
2. Sibling Priority
3. EEC/ELC Priority
4. East Boston/Non-East Boston Priority

Present School Priority

This gives a student priority to a program in his/her school over another student who attends a different school. For example, a student currently enrolled in grade 3 at the Hennigan School will receive priority to a grade 4 Advanced Work Class (AWC) seat at the Hennigan over a grade 3 student attending the Mendell School who has selected the Hennigan AWC program on their choice list.

Sibling Priority

Boston Public Schools works to keep families together in the same school if that is what parents prefer. To help make this possible, the policy prioritizes siblings to increase the chances that they can attend the same school. However, because schools do not always have room for all the siblings who apply for it, sibling assignments in the same school are not guaranteed.

Priority for students applying for Grade 2 from Schools for Early Learners

Students completing grade 1 at a School for Early Learners without a guaranteed pathway school have a higher priority to available grade 2 seats before new students or transfer students who do not have siblings at that school.

East Boston/Non-East Boston Priority

Given Boston’s unique geography, students who live in East Boston are given priority to schools in East Boston and students who live outside of East Boston are given priority to schools outside of East Boston, unless they choose otherwise.

Waitlists

If you don’t get your first choice, BPS will try to assign your child to one of your other choices. Your child will also be placed on one or several waitlists based on the rules below.

Families who register before March 23, 2018:

- Will be on all waitlists for schools they ranked on their choice list until June 16, 2018. During this time, students will be assigned to schools from waitlists as seats become available.
- After June 16, 2018, students will automatically remain on one waitlist, their highest ranked school, unless a parent contacts a Welcome Center to specify otherwise.
- If a seat becomes available, students will be moved automatically into higher ranked waitlists through July. If you are happy with your child’s assignment and do not want your child moved into a higher ranked school, please remove your child from any waitlists.

Families who register after March 23, 2018:

- Will automatically be placed on the waitlist for their highest ranked school.

Waitlist Notes:

- Waitlists expire November 30 for grades 1-12 and January 31 for grades K0-K2.
- Due to capacity issues, Boston Public Schools may have to assign newly-registered students, 5 years and older, to schools ahead of students currently on waitlists.
- If you re-activate a waitlist that you had previously removed, your child will be added to the bottom of the waitlist.

Receiving an Assignment from a Waitlist

- After July, if a seat becomes available, Boston Public Schools will contact families by email or phone. Please ensure contact information is up-to-date by calling or visiting one of the Welcome Centers.

Random Numbers

The computer gives each application a random number. Random numbers are used to break “ties” between students who have the same priorities for the school.
Middle School Pathways

For general education students, every elementary school is connected to a 6-8 or K-8 school as a guaranteed pathway (see pathway map on page 17). In January, fifth grade families at elementary schools will receive a letter that lists your pathway school. If you are happy with your pathway option, you will be automatically enrolled in it for 6th grade. If you want to make other choices, please visit a Welcome Center during priority registration to have the best change of getting your preferred school.

Transferring Schools

In BPS, a transfer is when a student moves from one Boston Public School to another Boston Public School. If your child currently attends a school outside of Boston, or attends a private, parochial, or charter school, then please follow the instructions for registration on page 5.

To submit a transfer, a parent must visit a Welcome Center with a photo ID.

- Transfers for the current school year end on November 30, 2017 for grades 1-12 and January 31, 2018 for K0-K2.
- Transfers for next school year begin January, 2018. Please follow the registration time line on the inside cover.

Please note:

- Due to limited availability of seats, transfers are not guaranteed. If available, students will be assigned to their top-ranked school with an available seat.
- A transfer will replace any prior assignments, rankings, and waitlists. This means, that if a transfer is granted for the current school year, your child will lose their current school year assignment.
- Similarly, if a transfer is granted for next school year, your child will lose their assignment for next school year.
- For all transfer requests, if no seats are available, your child will be placed on the waitlist for their first choice school until waitlists expire.

Changing your Address

If you have moved since registering, visit a Welcome Center with your photo ID and two proofs of Boston residency (see page 5).

Note that we can’t change your bus stop until you change your address.

Explore your family’s new choice list by entering your new address at DiscoverBPS.org.

If your child’s current school is within your new Home-Based list:

- Your child can remain at his/her current school and may be eligible for transportation.
- Or, you can select a new school for your child.

If your child’s current school is NOT within your new Home-Based list:

- Your child can remain at his/her current school, but will not be eligible for transportation.
- You can select a new school for your child within his/her choice list and he/she may be eligible for transportation.
Transportation

617-635-9520 Information
bostonpublicschools.org/transportation

These students are eligible for transportation:

- Students who live one mile or more from their Early Education Center, Early Learning Center, or elementary school
- Students who live one and a half miles or more from their middle school
- Students who live two miles or more from their high school

Most students who take a school bus are picked up and dropped off at a corner near their home. Students in grades 7-12 get an MBTA pass or a combination of T pass and school bus. Sixth grade students may opt in to receive an MBTA pass by contacting the Office of Transportation.

Once your child is assigned to a school, you will be notified if your child is eligible for transportation. For same year registrations, you will receive your information in the mail within two weeks. For future year registrations, you will receive your child’s bus stop, bus number, and schedule in the mail in August.

Transportation for Students with Disabilities

Students with disabilities may receive corner-to-corner service, MBTA service, or door-to-door service, as specified in their Individualized Education Program (IEP). To request services, please contact your school nurse or Health Services at 617-635-6788 during the summer. Please note that medical transportation is not automatically renewed each year.

Alternative Transportation

“Alternative transportation,” to or from a bus stop other than your home stop (such as an after-school program), can be requested. Students who are not eligible for transportation to and from home may also request this service. Your request is subject to these restrictions:

- The stop you request must be on an existing bus route and must not add time to the route.
- There must be room on the bus for new students to be assigned to the bus route.
- The alternative stop must be requested for the whole week, not just certain days.
- BPS does not provide door-to-door alternative service unless it is required in an IEP.

For more information and an application for alternative transportation, please contact the Office of Transportation.
Programs Offered

Kindergarten
BPS offers several options to get our youngest learners off to a successful start:

- **Kindergarten (K2).** Kindergarten is a six-hour (full-day) program for 5-year olds provided in all elementary schools. School assignment is guaranteed for all children who apply for full-day K2. However, due to space constraints, an assignment cannot be guaranteed to a school you choose. To register for K2, children must be five years old on or before September 1, 2018.

- **Pre-Kindergarten (K0 or K1).** There are more than 2,400 seats available in K1 for children who are four years old on or before September 1, 2018. There are also a very limited number of openings in K0 for children who are three years old on or before September 1, 2018. Due to limited seats, assignments to these programs cannot be guaranteed.

- **Schools for Early Learners (ELC/EEC).** Several schools offer full-day programs from K0/K1 through grades 1 or 3. These schools also provide free before and after school care from 7:30 a.m. to 4:35 p.m. Due to limited seats we cannot guarantee an assignment to these programs, but we encourage families to apply.

Important Kindergarten Notes

- All general education kindergarten students are guaranteed a seat through the highest grade of their assigned school, following the guidelines of our student assignment plan.
- To know which kindergarten program your child is eligible for, please see the chart on page 6.
- State law states each child must attend school beginning in September of the calendar year in which the child turns six years old.
- While the K1 program at BPS for 4-year-olds has expanded in recent years, assignment cannot be guaranteed. If you need a program for your three- or four-year-old, you are encouraged to check out Head Start, Child Care Choices of Boston (childcarechoicesofboston.org), and other preschool options.

Countdown to Kindergarten engages families, educators and the community in a citywide effort to enhance early learning opportunities and to support the transition into kindergarten. Mayor Martin J. Walsh, the Boston School Committee, and Superintendent Dr. Tommy Chang partner with 28 local organizations to implement a school readiness campaign that helps families participate actively in their children’s education right from the start, understand the value of kindergarten, and learn how to choose schools and then register in the Boston Public Schools.

Visit countdowntokindergarten.org for programs and a calendar of events near you.
Advanced Work Class (grades 4-6)
617-635-9450 Testing
617-635-9512 Assignment
617-635-9202 Curriculum
bostonpublicschools.org/AWC

Advanced Work Class (AWC) is a full-time program in the Boston Public Schools that provides an accelerated academic curriculum for students in grades 4-6. Students are expected to complete more schoolwork and more home study. To participate, students must qualify and be invited based on student's scores on the English language Terra Nova (3rd edition) test. These eligibility tests are given in the fall of grades 3, 4, and 5. If your child is invited to participate in AWC, your school choice list will include both AWC and regular program offerings. Due to limited availability, an invitation is not a guarantee of an AWC assignment. Some AWC classrooms may be a hybrid of general education students and AWC students. In these classrooms, all students follow the same AWC curriculum.

Excellence For All (grades 4-6)
617-635-9202 Information
bostonpublicschools.org/EFA

Excellence for All (EFA) is an initiative designed to expand access to rigorous curriculum and enrichment experiences for students in Boston Public Schools. EFA classrooms are provided resources and supports for students in the areas of academics, enrichments, social emotional learning, personalization of learning, and executive function. Schools focus heavily on enhancing student writing skills and provide experiences in designing and solving novel problems. Grade 4 and 5 students in EFA schools do an end-of-year interdisciplinary project and present their final products to parents, peers, and educators. EFA also has a robust STEM program. Grade 4 students receive coding instruction. Grade 5 students receive robotics. In many schools, students also receive World Language instruction. Teachers in the EFA pilot schools receive additional professional development in writing, lesson design, common core aligned instruction, and social-emotional learning. Participating schools for the 2018-2019 school year are Bates, Curley, Edison, Ellis, Mendell, Gardner Pilot Academy, Grew, Guild, Harvard-Kent, Holmes, King, Philbrick, Orchard Gardens, and Sumner.

Exam Schools (grades 7-12)
617-635-9512 Information
bostonpublicschools.org/exam

BPS has three "examination schools" for grades 7-12 that admit students through a separate process: Boston Latin Academy, Boston Latin School, and John D. O’Bryant School of Mathematics & Science. All three schools accept new students for grades 7 and 9. The O’Bryant School also accepts a few new students for grade 10. Admission is based entirely on a student’s grade point average (GPA) and test scores from the Independent Schools Entrance Exam (ISEE).

Students who are not currently enrolled in a Boston Public School must visit a Welcome Center and verify their Boston residency before taking the test. In order to be considered for admission to an exam school, this verification must occur before the student takes the scheduled test on November 4 (or the make-up test).

Students with Disabilities
617-635-8599 Information

The Office of Special Education and Student Services provides guidance and assistance to families and schools in supporting the success of students with disabilities.

If you suspect that your BPS student may have a disability, please contact the principal of your student’s school. If your student does not attend a Boston Public School, contact the Office of Special Education and Student Services at the number listed above.
Programs Offered

English Learners
617-635-9435 Information
617-635-1565 Testing and Placement (NACC)
bostonpublicschools.org/ELL

English Learners (ELs, previously referred to as English Language Learners) are students who are native speakers of languages other than English, and who are not yet proficient enough in academic English to perform ordinary class work in English without language support. Almost 18,000 students in BPS (31% of all BPS students) are classified as English Learners.

If a student speaks a language other than English, they will register for a language assessment with the Newcomers Assessment and Counseling Center (NACC). The NACC is located at the 2nd floor of the Bolling Building (2300 Washington Street), and assessments are administered by multilingual staff on school days between 9 a.m.–5 p.m. These assessments are important to determine the student’s English language skills and help families choose the education services that are best for them. After families receive their assignments, they may contact an Office of English Learners Family Resource Specialist.

EL Program Options:

- **Two-Way Bilingual Education (Dual Language Education)** Native English speakers and speakers of one other language learn together. The goal is for all students to become fluent and literate in both languages. BPS has schools that currently offer Haitian Creole or Spanish programs.
- **Sheltered English Immersion (SEI)** In SEI classrooms, qualified teachers provide instruction to ELs in English language arts, math, science and history/social studies. The teacher may speak the students’ home language to help clarify instruction.
- **Transitional Bilingual Education (TBE)** Parents of EL students may request a TBE program if they think their child will make better academic progress and learn English faster than in an SEI classroom. In a TBE classroom, instruction occurs in the student’s first language in order to facilitate learning in math, science, and social studies. As students become more proficient in English, the teacher uses the primary language less frequently, until all instruction is conducted in English and students are able to transition to general education classes.
- **Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education (SLIFE)** BPS recommends this program for students age 8 or older who have recently arrived in the U.S., who have low English proficiency, and whose schooling experience was not rigorous enough to prepare them for college and career. In this program, students receive intensive instruction in English and in their native language (when available) in reading/writing, math, science, and social studies in small class-size settings. They also take additional classes in technology, arts, and physical education. All SLIFE teachers create a plan that includes goals and monitoring for each student to ensure their progress.
K-8 Schools at a Glance

We welcome you to learn more about all of our schools. To know which schools will be on your child’s choice list, please visit DiscoverBPS.org and type in your address, or contact/visit a Welcome Center. Because every family has their own custom list according to the rules of the Home-Based plan (see page 7), we have listed information on all schools in this newsletter. Please be sure to focus on the schools on your particular list.

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English Learner Programs*
- SEI: Sheltered English Immersion
- SLIFE: Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education

Special Education Programs
- AUT: Autism
- EC-INC: Early Childhood-Inclusion
- EC-SS: Early Childhood-Substantially Separate
- EI: Emotional Impairment
- EI-INT: Emotional Impairment-Internalizing
- INC: High Level Of Need Inclusion
- LD: Learning Disabilities
- MD: Multiple Disabilities
- Mild-II: Mild Intellectual Impairment
- Mod-II: Moderate Intellectual Impairment
- Sev-II: Severe Intellectual Impairment
- PI: Physical Impairment

Uniform Policy
- Yes: The school has a required or voluntary uniform
- No: The school does not have a uniform, but it may have a dress code.
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Middle School Pathways

Note: Students living in or attending Elementary School in East Boston have a Middle School Pathway to either the Umana Academy in East Boston or the Edwards Middle School in Charlestown.
Adams Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Joanna McKeigue Cruz, Principal
165 Webster St., East Boston 02128
617-635-8383
The Adams School is a small learning community in East Boston overlooking Piers Park and the Boston Harbor. We have a deeply caring, committed staff who work hard to ensure that all students are on a path to being college and career ready.

Special Features:
- Oral language development support in K1 and K2.
- Enrichment programs in music and art.
- A Parent Council with elected officers, parent representatives on School Site Council, and two teachers who serve as the school’s Family and Student Engagement coordinators.
- Many activities for parents including Kindergarten orientation, Open House, Family Math Night, parent workshops, and family potluck suppers.
- Physical education, computer, science, and theatre as specials during the day for students.
- Full time interventionist teachers to help students in grades K1-5.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Resource Room teacher who provides services to our students with mild learning disabilities.
- SEI and Hybrid programs to support English learners.
- A full time ESL teacher to provide additional support for our English Learners.
- Autism Highly Specialized Strand for grades K0-5.

After school programs in our building:
- Programs offered through school partners Community Music Center of Boston, VSA of Massachusetts, YMCA, Playworks, and the Museum of Fine Arts

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Edwards Middle School or Umana Academy.

Alighieri Montessori School
K0-Grade 6
Glenda Colón, Principal
37 Gove St., East Boston, MA 02128
617-635-8529
The Dante Alighieri Montessori School provides children with individualized learning goals. Classrooms are of mixed ages where children and adults work side by side in beautiful, child-centered environments. Special Montessori learning materials encourage concentration, coordination, order, and respect.

Special Features:
- Hands-on Montessori curriculum.
- Montessori certified teachers.
- Individualized instruction.
- Strong emphasis on early intervention.
- Outdoor learning, including gardening.
- Integrated choice-based TAB art and music.
- Family-friendly community, including open houses, orientations, celebrations, and potluck suppers.

Special Admission:
Students interested in applying will have their names sent to the Alighieri. School staff will contact families, in round and random number order, and determine their level of experience with the Montessori program and then offer a student an assignment if a seat is available.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- ESL instruction is provided in our school for all English Learners ages five and up.
- Special Education is provided Tuesdays through Fridays.

Baldwin Early Learning Pilot Academy
K0-Grade 1
Tavia Mead, Principal
121 Corey Rd., Brighton 02135
617-635-8409
The Baldwin Early Learning Pilot Academy is dedicated to being an innovative leader in early childhood education. We are committed to providing the building blocks for a strong foundation for every child’s future success through valuing cultural and family life, promoting social justice and community service.

Special Features:
- Teachers are dual- or triple-licensed in Early Childhood, Special Education, and English as a Second Language.
- Diverse, multi-lingual staff.
- >90% of our grade 1 students score at or above benchmark in reading assessments.
- Active Take-home Reading program.
- Our 170+ students read over 45,000 books with their families each year.
- CitySprouts school garden integrated into curriculum for all grade levels.
- Art, music, computer and physical education specialists.
- Multiple field trips and special school events throughout the year.
- Multiple family events throughout the year including Curriculum Night, Friendship Feast and Parent Workshops.
- Swimming instruction for grade 1 students.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Full inclusion school.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 2 at the Edison K-8 School.
Bates Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Rodolfo Morales, Principal
426 Beech St., Roslindale 02131
617-635-8064
The Bates School provides a quality education in a safe and supportive environment, which respects the diversity of all individuals. We develop responsible citizens and leaders, involve parents and community, and instill a love of learning in a nurturing atmosphere. Inclusion means everyone.

Special Features:
• Scholastic Book Fair.
• School Site Council and Parent Councils meet jointly for maximum collaboration.
• Inclusion specialists dedicated to every grade, providing an additional teacher for students.
• Weekly physical education, art, and science field trips for every grade level that connect to curriculum.
• Large playground, play structure, and Playworks to promote safe, health play.
• City Connects coordinator to support families with behavioral, medical, childcare, and housing needs.
• Spanish in grades 4 and 5.
• Making Music Matters provides instrumental music instruction in grades 3-5.
• Excellence For All program in grades 4-5.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before and after school program supported by the YMCA.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Irving Middle School.

Beethoven Elementary School
K1-Grade 2
Edward Puliafico, Principal
5125 Washington St., West Roxbury 02132
617-635-8149
The Beethoven is a friendly and welcoming school environment for both our students and their families. Our community reaches beyond the classroom, and we strive to have our students think about the world around them. Within the walls of the school, we work hard every day and “Learn with Joy!”

Special Features:
• A new computer lab.
• Making Music Matter, a parent-run instrumental music program.
• A nationally recognized home reading program.
• Very active parent volunteers.
• Speech therapy, occupational therapy, and counseling.
• Mentors and student teachers from Boston College.
• Support network for students who are having difficulties.
• Bright, clean building with a beautifully landscaped schoolyard and a great playground.
• School partners: Boston College, Curry College, EdVestors, and West Roxbury Garden Club.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special education: one class per grade.
• English Learners: Sheltered English Immersion (SEI), one class per grade.

Before school programs in our building:
• Before school program from 7:00 to 8:15 each morning

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 3 at the Ohrenberger grade 3.

Blackstone Innovation School
K0-Grade 5
Jamel Adkins-Sharif, Principal
380 Shawmut Ave., Boston 02118
617-635-8471
At the Blackstone Innovation School, we empower each other to learn, grow, succeed and become our best selves. Working together, we foster the core values that lie within us; respect, unity, and excellence.

Special Features:
• NAECY Accredited Early Childhood Education programs for students aged 3-5.
• Physical education, art, social studies, music and technology.
• State-of-the-art school-based health clinic: Dr. Gerald Hass Center South End Community Health Center.
• Big Brother/Sister, Lunch with Brothers, City Year and other mentoring programs.
• Afro-Latin dance and movement classes.
• Quarterly family nights with various themes: Literacy night, multicultural dinner, wellness night, STEAM night.
• Counseling, dental care, flu shots and primary care visits for students and families through the on-site South End Community Health Center.
• Home Visits to build relationships with families and students.
• English as a Second Language and classes for our parents to stay involved.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school: Monday-Friday, 7:15-8:15; $5 per day.
• After school:(all free) Imajine That after school program, grades K0/K1/K2, M-F; IBA after school program, grades 1-2, M-F; City Year Starfish Program, grades 3-5, M-Th.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Timilty Middle School.
Boston Teachers Union K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Lindsay Chaves and Yolette Ibokette, Lead Teachers
25 Walk Hill St., Jamaica Plain 02130
617-635-7717
The Boston Teachers Union School seeks to educate students to high standards and help them reach their educational potential and become capable, caring, engaged citizens. We aim to provide all students with a rigorous and wide-ranging liberal arts education in an inclusive, democratic, nurturing, and safe environment that welcomes families and capitalizes on the expertise of excellent teachers.

Special Features:
- Rigorous liberal arts education.
- Focus on positive school climate.
- Commitment to involving families.
- Ongoing assessment, intervention, and support.
- Art, Music, and Physical Education/Health for all students.
- Social-emotional learning, including Open Circle, Restorative Justice, and a partnership with Urban Improv.
- Two full-time clinicians from The Home for Little Wanderers on site to provide individual and small group counseling services.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Two substantially separate classrooms providing services for Special Education scholars.

After school programs in our building:
- YMCA After-School Program.

Bradley Elementary School
K0-Grade 5
Claire Carney, Principal
10 Beachview Rd., East Boston 02128
617-635-8422
The Bradley School provides a safe, motivating, and inquiry-driven learning environment with high expectations for all students. Students at the Bradley School have a minimum of 5 enrichment courses every week. In grades 4 and 5, all students take a foreign language.

Special Features:
- Weekly dance instruction through the CMCB for students K-5 from October-May.
- Physical education and movement classes for students K-5.
- Outdoor classroom for engaging and hands-on scientific inquiry.
- Access to rigorous academic content for all, including our students with disabilities and English language learners.
- Foreign language instruction (Japanese or Spanish) for all students in grades 4 and 5.
- Art instruction for all students.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Edwards Middle School or Umana Academy.

Channing Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Carline Pignato, Principal
35 Sunnyside St., Hyde Park 02136
617-635-8722
The Channing School’s mission is to create an environment that values the whole child. We believe that to develop the whole child, high expectations, core values, progressive curriculum, strong leadership, standards-based creative teaching, and appropriate assessment must occur. We encourage supportive parent and community involvement. Excellence is the only option.

Special Features:
- Computer program.
- Environmental science program.
- Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grades 4 and 5.
- Experiential learning.
- Physical education program.
- Highly qualified teachers.
- School partners include Hyde Park Community Center, Hyde Park YMCA, Museum of Science, and Kennedy Library.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- ESL teachers for English language learners.

After school programs in our building:
- YMCA After-School Program.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to the Irving Middle School.

Chittick Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Michelle Burnett, Principal
154 Ruskindale Rd., Hyde Park 02136
617-635-8652
The Chittick School is a small school that provides a safe, nurturing, academically challenging environment. We empower all of our children to believe and achieve.

Special Features:
- Second Step, a program that helps students develop strategies for conflict resolution.
- Strong Parent Council.
- Monthly newsletters and student planners to help keep parents informed about classroom and school-wide activities.
- Music specialist, Theater Arts, Visual Arts, Physical Education & Spanish.
- Playswork program to encourage safe, healthy play time.
- New piano lab and piano instruction for students.
- School partners include BOKS (Building Our Kids Success), Celebrity Series of Boston, Harvard University, Hyde Park YMCA, MusiConnects, Read Boston, the Home for Little Wanderers, Tufts University, and Wheelock College.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Highly Specialized Autistic Spectrum.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Irving Middle School.
Clap Elementary School
K-Grade 5
Marcia Riddick, Principal
35 Harvest St., Dorchester 02125
617-635-8672
Emphasizing hands-on, real-world learning experiences, this approach to education increases academic achievement, helps students develop stronger ties to their community, enhances students’ appreciation for the natural world, and creates a heightened commitment to serving as active, contributing citizens.

**Special Features:**
- Before and after school programs, tutoring, and the Ten Boys Initiative.
- Science, music, visual arts, and physical education.
- Town Hall Meetings with members of the community.
- Rigorous instruction for all students.
- Monthly school newsletter.
- Parent University.
- Very active School Parent and School Site Councils.
- Field trips aligned to the curriculum.
- School partners include the Dorchester Historical Society, Lesley University, Lasell College, UMass, CSR, Home for Little Wanderers, YMCA, and the Celtics.

**K-8 Pathway:** Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the McCormack Middle School.

Conlon K-8
K-Grade 8
Robert Chisholm, Principal
200 D St., South Boston 02127
617-635-8608
The Condon K-8 School welcomes all students into a safe, supportive, and inclusive environment where they can build the skills, knowledge, and character to succeed in a life of active citizenship in the neighborhoods of Boston and beyond.

**Special Features:**
- Community Center.
- Playground/Outdoor Classroom.
- Before and after school programs.
- Full gym.
- Bullying Prevention Program.
- Dance, Theater, Chorus, Instruments, Studio Art
- STEM Specialty (Coding and Robotics).
- 2.5 Nurses.

**English Learner & Special Education programs:**
- Inclusion.
- Multi-lingual Sheltered English Immersion (SEI).

Conley Elementary School
K-Grade 5
Joseph Foley, Principal
400 Poplar St., Roslindale 02131
617-635-8099
The Conley is a small, urban school, located in a diverse residential neighborhood in Roslindale. We have a newly renovated, spacious, playground with a new, beautiful, mural, an amphitheater, and an outdoor classroom. Our faculty is composed of dynamic, motivated, caring, and highly skilled educators who have high expectations for themselves and our students.

**Special Features:**
- Before and after school programs.
- Science, art, music, physical education, and math specialties.
- All students in grades 2-5 have their own Google Chromebooks. Students in grades K-1st have access to iPads.
- Tutors from Boston Partners in Education and student teachers from Boston University, Lesley University, and UMass Boston.
- School-wide home reading program and Reading is Fundamental (RIF) book giveaways at three special events.
- On-site counseling available for all students and free tutoring for at-risk students.
- Active School Parent Council
- Weekly parent newsletter and monthly calendar.
- Tech Goes Home program with computer classes for parents and children and an opportunity for families to buy a computer.
- Four family nights including Science at the Children’s Museum, Family Math, Literacy, and Art.

**K-8 Pathway:** Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Irving Middle School.

Curley K-8 School
K-Grade 8
Katherine Grassa, Principal
40 Pershing Rd. (lower school)
Jamaica Plain 02130
617-635-8239
Our teachers implement a balanced literacy model which will be enhanced through our partnership with Literacy Collaborative out of Lesley University. Our school provides additional academic support to students in all grades in our after-school tutoring and mentoring programs. Our kindergarten program has been awarded accreditation by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

**Special Features:**
- Open Circle curriculum used K-5.
- Curley After School Program (CASP) for students in grades K-8.
- Tenacity Grades 6-8, City Year.
- NAEYC Accreditation.
- Dance, theater arts, visual arts, physical education.
- Basketball, track, soccer, baseball, tennis and volleyball teams.
- Additional school partners include Family Service Center of Greater Boston, Harbor Island Outdoor Education, Spontaneous Celebrations, Wheelock College and UMass Boston.

**English Learner & Special Education programs:**
- Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) for English learners.
Dever Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Todd Fishburne, Principal
325 Mt. Vernon St., Dorchester 02125
617-635-8694
The Dever serves families from diverse cultural, economic, and linguistic backgrounds. We believe all students deserve access to a world-class education that will allow them to excel in college, careers, and beyond.

Special Features:
• Extended Learning Time.
• Full Time Nursing Services.
• Partnership with several therapeutic programs, providing mental health counseling.
• Welcoming Bilingual Environment.
• Universal free breakfast, lunch and snack program.
• Focus on culturally and linguistically sustaining practices.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special education classroom in each grade

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Extended school day from 7:30 to 3:30.
• Partnership with Walter Denney Youth Center (Boys & Girls Club of Dorchester) for after school program.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the McCormack Middle School.

Dudley Street Neighborhood Charter School
K1-Grade 5
Dawn Lewis, Principal
6 Shirley St., Roxbury 02119
617-635-8507
Our mission: (1) provide a world class education for all students; (2) prepare the highest quality new teachers; and (3) serve as a partner in improving all schools in the Dudley area.

Special Features:
• Founded and run by the Boston Plan for Excellence-Boston Teacher Residency, an organization with a proven track record of academic success, in partnership with the Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative.
• More time for teaching and learning through an extended school day and school year.
• Mixed-grade classrooms with the same teachers for two years, so teachers get to know their students well.
• Promotion to the next grade based on competence: students must demonstrate they have met high academic standards.
• Strong social and emotional support through school partner agencies
• Strong partnerships with community organizations and other schools in the Dudley neighborhood.
• Enrollment is open to all students who live in Boston.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school: Free breakfast for all students from 8:15 to 8:45.
• After school: from 3:15-4:30 we provide arts, wellness, thematic exploration, and tutoring as part of our extended school day for all students at no extra charge.

East Boston Early Education Center
K1-Grade 1
Olga Frechon, Principal
135 Gove St., East Boston 02128
617-635-6456
Our school provides a balanced early literacy program for two hours every day, sixty minutes of math, and writers workshop. Children participate in whole and small group activities.

Special Features:
• Support for at-risk students through Reading Recovery, in-school tutoring, and computerized reading programs.
• Classroom libraries with more than 500 books.
• Literacy-based program integrating music and science into all subject areas.
• We have a robotics and engineering program for all children.
• Computers in every class, as well as in the library and staff rooms.
• A Media Center.
• Math lending library with more than 200 games and books for families to take home.
• Weekly take-home book program, Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) book distributions, and workshops to promote parent support at home.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Free surround care, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:35 p.m.
• After school program continues the academic day with projects and monthly themes, arts and crafts, dramatic play, songs, and cooking.
Edison K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Samantha Varano, Principal
60 Glenmont Rd., Brighton 02135
617-635-8436
The Thomas Edison K-8 serves children in an environment that is nurturing and safe. Edison students learn to read, write, compute and think through a high expectations curriculum that includes academic and arts education. We are dedicated to Health and Wellness and have beautiful facilities for recreation, exercise, and contemplation on our school grounds.

Special Features:
- Instrumental music, theater, dance, and visual arts.
- Basketball, track, volleyball and soccer.
- Exit portfolio requirement for grade 8.
- New science labs.
- Auditorium, gym, full service cafeteria, and a playground.
- Excellence for All in grades 4-6, including coding, robotics and foreign language instruction.
- Technology in the classrooms.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) for students in grade K1-8.
- Emphasis on inclusion practices for students with disabilities.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school: run by Jackson/Mann Community Center for students in grades K1-5.
- After school: Jackson/Mann Community Center, College Success Academy, America SCORES Boston soccer and writing, rowing sports, Strong Women Strong Girls, Science Club, Debate Mate, and Playworks Junior Coach program.

Edwards Middle School
Grades 6-8
Laryssa Doherty, Principal
28 Walker Street, Charlestown 02129
617-635-8516
We are the school of choice for students interested in academic support and the arts. Our community deeply believes in holistic student engagement via our innovative "CREW" advisory program. Through this program, students are offered additional academic and social-emotional support while they are building a relationship with an adult in the building who serves as an advocate and champion of their success and learning at the Edwards.

Special Features:
- Access to Chromebooks and 1:1 technology for all students.
- Wide elective options for students including dance, music, visual art, technology and STEAM.
- Strong athletic partnerships including: soccer, football, basketball, track, and baseball.
- Focus on student centered instruction and a commitment to academic growth for all students.
- Teacher teams that have weekly common planning time focused on student growth.
- Opportunities for student leadership and student-selected programming as part of CREW.
- Specific preparation for transition to high school with special attention to the application and selection process.
- Expeditionary learning opportunities within Charlestown and greater Boston area.
- School Climate Team highly focused on student safety, discipline, and positive student culture.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Specialized SEI Multilingual Program for students learning English, taught by highly qualified teachers.
- Inclusion model for students with disabilities.

After school programs in our building:
- Sports, clubs, and other activities offered after school each day.

Elliot K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Traci Walker, Principal
Grades K1-3, 16 Charter St., Boston 02113, 617-635-8545
Grades 4-8, 585 Commercial St., Boston 02109, 617-635-8912
Elliot is the only K-8 Innovation school in Boston. We offer a dynamic array of enriching specialties including Italian language instruction, theater, physical education, debate, art, technology, music, and robotics/engineering.

Special Features:
- Boston’s oldest continuously operating school (founded 1713).
- Caring, committed and collaborative faculty, students, families and community.
- One of the only Boston public schools with a K-8 robotics and engineering program.
- City Connects School Site Coordinator.
- Italian language and culture program.
- Woodworking and bookbinding program in collaboration with North Bennet Street School.
- Playworks program embedded during recesses/movement breaks K-8.
- STEAM learning programs including coding and computer science opportunities.

After school programs in our building:
- Champions After School Program - 3:30-6:00 p.m.
- Other after school programs include Theatre/Movement, Discover Champions, Middle School Wrestling (Boston Youth Wrestling), Boston Urban Debate League Team, and ISEE Tutoring and Advanced (AWC) Instruction in ELA and Math for all grades.
Ellis Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Cynthia Jacobs-Tolbert, Principal
302 Walnut Ave., Roxbury 02119
617-635-8257

The Ellis staff create an environment that fosters student learning and values the whole child. Parent involvement is a strong part of our school culture. We work towards building a home-school connection to strength each student’s elementary school experience.

Special Features:
• iPad computer classroom.
• Exploratory science lab with certified science instructor, plus hands-on science experiences.
• Strong partnership with Higher Ground Inc.
• On-site Boston’s Bridge to Excellence before and after school program.
• School partners: Americas SCORES, Boston Medical Center Bright Smiles Program, Boston College, Wheelock College and New England Eye Institute.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Complete SEI Spanish Strand K1-Fifth grade
• Specialized Strand - emotional impairment
• K0/K1 integrated classroom, where children with and without disabilities learn together

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Boston’s Bridge to Excellence provide a before and after school program with an on-staff behavior specialist and Wheelock After School Field Placement Students.
• Before school, 7:00-9:15 a.m. at Bird Street Community Center.
• After school, 3:30 to 6:00 p.m. at Bird Street Community Center Program for K2-grade 5 students with enrichment activities, homework time, chess, physical activities and art. Sliding fee scale.

K-12 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Dearborn STEM Academy.

Ellison/Parks Early Education School
K0-Grade 3
Benjamin Rockoff, Interim Principal
108 Babson St., Mattapan 02126
617-635-7680

The Dr. Catherine Ellison-Rosa Parks Early Education School is an inclusive school that supports all students to achieve academic and social success. We are excited to offer an exciting array of specialty classes including STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math), Robotics, Physical Education, Literacy through the Arts (Theater) to students in all grades (K0-3) during the academic day and on a weekly basis.

Special Features:
• Small classes, with a ratio of 1 adult to 10 children in kindergarten and inclusion classrooms.
• A diverse staff that is reflective of students.
• Standards-based, culturally responsive curriculum.
• Reading with Friends, My Reading Buddy, and Home Reading programs to promote reading.
• Active parental/family engagement and advocacy, including Men’s and Women’s Night Out program that encourages parents/guardians to read to their children and become more involved parents.
• Winner of several grants: HASI (SmartTALK & MITM).
• Family literacy and Early Reading First from the US Dept. of Education.
• Full time Inclusion Specialist and English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers.
• Beautifully designed, child-centered, state of the art building and playground.
• STEAM specialist focuses on the integration of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Free before and after school programs at the Dearborn STEM Academy from 7:15-8:15 a.m. and 2:45-4:35 p.m.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 4 at the Mildred Avenue K-8 School.

Everett Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Karen Cahill, Principal
71 Pleasant St., Dorchester 02125
617-635-8779

The Everett is committed to strong academics as well as the social, emotional, and physical health needs of students. Students’ social needs are met through our school-wide social competency curriculum, as well as a health curriculum. Our science specialist works with K-5 students. Students also participate in Communications, which is literacy through the arts, at least once per week. Choral music instruction is provided to students once a week along with physical education.

Special Features:
• Creating leadership opportunities for students through junior activities coaches.
• Wellness program that includes physical education and health instruction.
• Weekly newsletter to keep parents informed.
• Support staff for students who are struggling, including a counselor, speech therapist, and occupational therapist.
• Inclusion services and academic resource room support for students in all grades
• Award-winning schoolyard and outdoor classroom.
• Inclusion in grades K-3.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Inclusion services and academic resource room support for students in all grades

Before and after school programs in our building:
• We help struggling students in a small-group setting both before and after school.
• Before school on-site partnership with the YMCA (fee).
• After school until 6:00 p.m. provided by the YMCA; includes homework support (fee). We also offer an Environmental Club.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the McCormack Middle School.
Frederick Middle School
Grades 6-8
Pauline Lugira, Principal
270 Columbia Rd., Dorchester 02121
617-635-1650
At the Frederick we provide students with a strong academic experience in a nurturing environment. Named after the late Lilla G. Frederick, a community activist from the Grove Hall community in Boston, we provide students with access and exposure through community partnership and civic engagement. It is our goal to give parents support through strong communication, workshops, and volunteer opportunities.

Special Features:
• A community school, supported by strong partnerships.
• Data-driven instruction to support strong outcomes for student learning.
• Rigorous academic curriculum enhanced by inquiry, exploration, experience, and hands-on learning.
• Arts Program featuring Music, 2D Art and 3D Art Classes.
• Daily Physical Education Classes.
• On-site Counseling Services available for all students.
• Laptop computers with wireless Internet access for every student, and opportunities for families to own a home computer through Technology Goes Home.
• Full-time nurse.
• A beautiful, new, state-of-the-art building with Internet access, gymnasium, ceramics studio, dance studio, choral and instrumental music, and science and technology labs.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Transitional Bilingual Education, SEI and Native Language Literacy.
• ESL Programs: Spanish Sheltered English Immersion, Multilingual Sheltered English Immersion Spanish SLIFE, and Multilingual SLIFE

After school programs in our building:
• Tutoring, sports (basketball, tennis, lacrosse, wrestling, football, soccer, and baseball), clubs, and activities including art, drama, instrumental music, science and math clubs, media clubs, and more; most are free.
• Free Saturday tutoring sessions and activities.

Gardner Pilot Academy
K1-Grade 8
Erica Herman, Principal
30 Athol St., Allston 02134
617-635-8365
Gardner Pilot Academy educates the minds and develops the character of all students in partnership with families and community to ensure all children become socially responsible and achieve academic excellence. The Gardner is committed to providing high quality teaching and learning for all students along with meaningful enrichment opportunities through strong community partnerships. This year, we are proud to offer after school programs, Adult Education, health services, counseling services, tutoring/mentoring, and character education to our students and families.

Special Features:
• Arts opportunities: Friday Arts Program consisting of professional arts opportunities for ALL students every Friday morning.
• Health and Wellness: Playworks program for all students, full-time school nurse, on-site health clinic, full-time school counselor, and full-time City Connects Coordinator.
• Family Engagement: 5 school wide events per year to connect families to student learning.
• University and Community Partnerships: 35 major partners to provide services in the domains of health, social emotional, academics, and arts.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Fully inclusive school for all students in all grades.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Free before school, starting at 7:30 a.m. for all students. Run by our full-time student interns, before school programs focus on engaging clubs to get students ready to learn by 8:30 a.m.
• After school until 6:00 p.m. provided in collaboration with YMCA of Greater Boston. High quality programming provides academic, social and emotional development. Weekly fee; scholarships and reduced rates available. America SCORES Boston soccer and writing program is available for middle school students in the fall and spring. $25 per season per student.

Sarah Greenwood K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Karla Gandiaga, Principal
189 Glenway St., Dorchester 02121
617-635-8710
We are excited to bring our new Ethnic Studies and STEAM programs to all students. Curriculum taught via project based learning model supporting differentiation. We also have a bilingual reading specialist and two resource room specialists to support students. Our students will enjoy the new STEAM Zone where specialist teachers bring learning alive through Art, Makerspace, Visual Journalism, Music, Physical Education, and Computers. We have a bilingual library where our librarian assists students in finding exciting literature.

Special Features:
• Project Based Learning.
• Bilingual Library.
• Makerspace.
• 2 brand new art classrooms.
• Music for all students in brand new music room.
• We have on site counseling and student support services and family services through Franciscan Hospital, City Connects, and Rosie’s Place.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school: BOKS Kidz fitness program and FiveStar starting at 7:00 a.m.
• After school: Play Ball for grades 6-8 with volleyball, baseball, double dutch, and track.

To see a full list of a school’s partner organizations, please visit partnerbps.org/locations
Grew Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Christine Connolly, Principal
40 Gordon Ave., Hyde Park 02136
617-635-8715
The Grew Elementary school fosters growth mindset and shared leadership for all staff, students, families, and community partners. Welcoming and engaging, we embrace our virtues of empathy, curiosity, collaboration, and perseverance. We develop the whole child and recognize the strengths of each.

Special Features:
• Turnaround Grant funding superior instructional development opportunities for staff and improved opportunities for students.
• 8 City Year Corps Members supporting whole school improvement as well as focused support in grades three through five.
• An instructional coach and interventionist to support continuous improvement in teaching and focused interventions for students.
• Technology improvement to give students frequent opportunities to engage with learning through technology.
• New Outdoor Classroom - Schoolyard.
• Partnership with Hale Reservation to build school community and improved Science learning.
• Elliot School of Fine Arts to ensure students have arts.
• Excellence For All School providing advanced work to all students. This also provides enrichment opportunities of Spanish, Coding, and Robotics for students grades 4-6.
• Other School partnerships: Boston Ballet, Lasell College student teachers, Imajine That after-school program.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school, 7:30: Reebok BOKS (Build on Kids’ Success) fitness program several mornings a week.
• Many after school programs including America SCORES Boston after school soccer and writing two days a week for grades 3-5.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Irving Middle School.

Guild Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Karen L. McCarthy, Principal
195 Leyden St., East Boston 02128
617-635-8523
The Guild School celebrates diversity, holds high expectations, and embraces the belief that all students can achieve academic success. Our core values are: Kindness, Community, Creativity, Respect, and Excellence.

Special Features:
• An award-winning staff, including Educator of the Year finalists and Nationally Board Certified staff.
• City Year Corps Members provide academic support and mentoring to students in grades 3 through 5.
• Strong parental engagement, including monthly “Coffee Hours,” and community building, academic, and arts events.
• Active and welcoming School Parent Council.
• Strong social-emotional curriculum and student-centered focus in all classrooms.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Excellence for All Program, including Spanish language classes beginning in fourth grade
• WINN (What I Need Now) academic acceleration block for all students.
• Excellent instruction for English Learners taught by highly qualified teachers.
• Specialized strand for students with disabilities, including inclusion classrooms.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Extended learning time school with a comprehensive after school program, which is available to students in all grades.
• Before school, from 7:10 a.m. Guild Gators for students in grades K-5 with homework help and movement/physical education.
• After school, until 6:00 p.m. Tutoring and enrichment opportunities in partnership with the East Boston YMCA.

K-8 Pathways: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Edwards Middle School or Umana Academy.

Hale Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Romaine Mills-Teque, Principal
51 Cedar St., Roxbury 02119
617-635-8205
Children are the heart and soul of the Nathan Hale School, a small community-based school in the heart of historical Roxbury. Our school family is committed to effective teaching and best practices to prepare all students to achieve. The Nathan Hale continues to work hard to maintain excellent yearly progress based on Mass Standards as well as 21st Century skills.

Special Features:
• Technology Goes Home.
• State of the Art Computer Lab.
• Community Service Learning projects.
• Junior Achievement Programs.
• High expectations for academics and behavior.
• Annual Yearbook.
• Wellness Council, School-Based Social Worker.
• Committed to Effective Teaching and BEST Practices.
• Boston Celtics and NE Patriots School Partnerships.
• National Awards for Staff and Principal, National Bronze Award for Health.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school, 7:15-8:00 a.m.: BOKS, a fun physical activity program.
• After school, until 6:00 p.m.: Run by Bird Street Community Center providing programs in instrumental music, chess, poetry, art, and homework time.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Timilty Middle School.
Haley Elementary School
K1-Grade 8
Kathleen Sullivan, Principal
570 American Legion Highway, Roslindale
02131
617-635-8169
“Where every student is inspired to achieve their highest potential.” Our school is organized on three pillars: equity, engagement, and community. Equity: Our instruction is inclusive, individualized, and based on students’ diverse strengths and needs. Engagement: Every child is motivated to learn through memorable experiences and connections to our community. Community: Children and their families are affirmed, respected and engaged.

Special Features:
- School-wide focus on community and environment.
- Partnership with Boston Nature Center.
- Beautiful school yard, outdoor classroom, and gardens.
- Many opportunities for parent engagement.
- Expeditionary learning.
- Supports the Comprehensive Behavioral Health Model (CBHM).

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- We are a full inclusion school. Students in all grades with and without disabilities learn together in all classes with support to meet their individual learning needs.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school program for grades K-5 for a fee. Double Dutch through the Play Ball foundation and Basketball and Soccer through BPS Athletics for grades 6-8.
- After school until 6:00 p.m.: Haley/YMCA After School Program.

Harvard-Kent Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Jason Gallagher, Principal
50 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown 02129
617-635-8358
Our mission is to be a well respected, academically excellent, warm and nurturing Boston Public School that cultivates a diverse community of children to become lifelong learners. We strive to help ALL students develop a lifelong love of learning.

Special Features:
- Strong academic programs in literacy and math, including adopting the CC aligned Expeditionary Learning in ELA and EM4 in math.
- Harvard/Kent Leadership Scholarship program, offering $1,000 college scholarships to 6 student leaders each school year.
- Summer partnership with Courageous Sailing.
- Great educational events for families, including Bedtime Story night and our annual Family Health Fair.
- ReadBoston to help younger students become stronger readers.
- Spacious classrooms and library, a great gymnasium and new Boston Celtics computer lab.
- Many additional student programs including BOKS, School Chorus, Kids Cooking Green, Across the Bridge.
- On-site school and adjustment counseling for students.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Special education programs: emotional impairment and learning disabilities.
- Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) for English Learners (Chinese).

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school, 7:45-9:10 a.m.: Ages 5-12 with light tutorial work, BOKS fitness program, and activities to get ready for school for $25 per week.
- Specialized reading instruction for grades K-2. 8-week sessions for struggling readers.
- After school: Math program for grade 3-5; enrichment and recreation activities.
- K1-2 after school program, $20 per week, including soccer and other organized activities.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Edwards Middle School.

Haynes Early Education Center
K0-Grade 1
Donette Wilson, Principal
263 Blue Hill Ave., Roxbury 02119
617-635-6446
Our focus on the whole child makes our school special. Our state of the art facility for young children offers small class size, an extended day, and classroom teaching teams that allow children to fully participate in their own learning.

The Children’s Museum’s Countdown to Kindergarten exhibit is modeled after our own typical kindergarten classroom. Our Surround Care Program provides opportunities for our children to experience a variety of activities, such as swimming, tennis, karate, dance, basketball, running club. All of these courses have an academic component that reinforces the academic day.

Special Features:
- Winter and spring dance/music performances.
- Many fun-filled activities, including Harvest Fest, Field Day, and Splash Day.
- Swim with the local Kroc.
- Annual Awards Day to honor school-wide student achievement.
- Special subjects: dance, science, and music
- Free breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snack program.
- A facility built for young children.
- New playground September 2014, with outdoor classroom.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) for English Learners in all grades.
- Full inclusion classrooms.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Free before and after school surround care offerings including string instrument lessons before school, Boys’ Choir, Girls’ Choir, one-to-one reading buddies, game time, cooking class, art classes, swimming, dance, tennis, basketball, Book Club, and Special Olympics.

To see a full list of a school’s partner organizations, please visit partnerbps.org/locations
Hennigan K-8 School
K2-Grade 8
Maria Cordon, Principal
200 Heath St., Jamaica Plain 02130
617-635-8264
We welcome and celebrate a diverse student community. All of our students learn in a culturally-sensitive environment with educators who have each been trained to meet the diverse learning needs of our students. The Hennigan School provides opportunities for all students to succeed at the elementary level to prepare them for success at the middle and high school levels, college, and beyond. We provide a rigorous curriculum focused on content-based knowledge. The Hennigan School was named a “High Support School” and therefore, receives additional support for staff and students. We developed a strategic plan to accelerate the learning of all of our students.

Special Features:
- Advanced Work Class for qualifying English- and Spanish-speaking students in grades 4 and 5.
- MCAS Tutoring for Students.
- Academic Achievement Frameworks Team that coordinates educational services, resources, counseling, advocacy and consultation.
- City Year Classroom and After School Support.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Somali and ELL Population supported by the ACEDONE after school program.
- Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) and multilingual classrooms in grades K2-8.
- Special education classes: emotional and social development (ESD), Spanish; and student learning disabilities (SLD).
- ESL Instruction for Grades K-5 and SLIFE for Native Language Speakers.
- ESL support in grades K2-7.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school: Hennigan Community Center, $20 per week. BOKS before-school program from 8:10 a.m., free.
- After school: Many programs, both with and without a fee.

Hernández K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Ana Tavares, Principal
61 School St., Roxbury 02119
617-635-8187
We are a dual language school. Every student is taught in both English and Spanish regardless of their home language. Students are engaged in thematic studies, which vary according to the grade and Common Core State Standards. We are also a Discovery School. This allows us to have different curriculum options (not the same texts, tests, or schedules) that are the norm in the school system. We work cooperatively in teams teaching to meet the needs of all learners.

Special Features:
- Integrated Arts curriculum and partnership with area museums.
- Discovery School Status.
- Autonomy with curriculum and assessment.
- Home visits.
- Project-based learning.
- Arts focus.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Two-way, dual language program, English and Spanish.

After school programs in our building:
- After school, 2:30-6:00 p.m.: Tutoring, homework, arts & crafts, martial arts, drama, visual arts, yoga, dance, African dance and drumming, Sole Train, Strong Women Strong Girls, middle school peer leadership; $300 per month, partial scholarships available.

Higginson Elementary School
K1-Grade 2 Inclusion
Marie Mullen, Principal
160 Harrishof Street, Roxbury 02119
617-635-8618
The Henry L. Higginson School serves students in grades K0–2 with and without disabilities, including English learners, in a fully inclusive setting. Our mission is to support our students in reaching their highest potential academically, socially, and emotionally. The experiences and lessons that children learn at the Higginson will help them to develop into responsible and confident students and individuals, both inside and outside the classroom.

Special Features:
- Our K0/K1 classrooms have 15 students; 9 general education students and 6 inclusion students. Our K2-2 classrooms have 20 students; 15 general education students and 5 inclusion students.
- Our classrooms are led by a dual- or tri-certified teacher and a paraprofessional. 98% of our paraprofessionals have an Associate’s or a Bachelor’s Degree.
- Comprehensive Behavioral Health with Boston Public Schools and Children’s Hospital, Higher Ground, and Tufts Dental Program.
- Specialist subjects in physical education, visual arts, and music.
- Committed to meeting the needs of our learners with diverse needs.
- School for early learners in a neighborhood setting.
- Diversified staff who speak the various languages of the students we serve: English, Spanish, Cape Verdean Creole, and French.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- K0-grade 2 SEI inclusion strand for English Learners.
- Full inclusion of general education, special education and English Learner students.

K-8 Pathway:
Guaranteed assignment to an inclusive classroom for grades 3-8 at the Higginson/Lewis K-8 school.
Higginson-Lewis K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Darlene Ratliff, Principal
131 Walnut Ave., Roxbury 02119
617-635-8137
Our school is a community based, family oriented, full service school with a strong academic focus. Our modernized building includes a gymnasium, cafeteria, and auditorium, all of which are used to enhance our academic offerings. All of our partners support our academic and social emotional missions, which are to improve and enhance student achievement through our guiding values: Respect, Ownership, Accountability, and Responsibility.

Special Features:
• Arts and dance education.
• Physical education program including community rowing, BOKS, extra-curricular activities.
• Full range of community partnerships that provide community resources.
• Educational partnerships with Northeastern University and Wheelock College.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special education: autism program.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school: in partnership with Bird St. Community Center for ages 5-12; sliding fee scale beginning at $50 per week.
• After school: in partnership with Bird St. Community Center for elementary school students; sliding fee scale, $50 per week, or vouchers accepted.
• Free after school program for grades 3-8 run by City Year and Young People’s Project.

Holmes Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Yeshi Gaskin, Principal
40 School St., Dorchester 02124
617-635-8681
The Holmes Innovation School is a 21st century inclusion school in Boston Public Schools. We currently have 21 inclusion classrooms taught by dual- or tri-certified teachers. All students engage in social justice and project-based themed units of study. All students have access to art, science, coding, robotics, Spanish, physical education, Tae Kwon Do, and music. We also have a fully inclusive chorus and band.

Special Features:
• Strong music program, with band and chorus, and a grant from VH1’s “Save the Music.”
• Countdown to Kindergarten Parent-Child Playgroup.
• Grant from ASTOS to support creative activities for students with and without disabilities.
• Volunteers from Federal Reserve Bank and Milton Academy.
• Children Discovering Justice.
• Achievement Network.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Full inclusion school, K0-grade 5.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Frederick Middle School.

Hurley K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Marjorie Soto, Principal
70 Worcester St., Boston 02118
617-635-8489
The Hurley, located in Boston’s South End, is a K-8 dual language school. We teach our students Spanish and English throughout the year to help them become bilingual. We offer students art, STEM, physical education, music, and dance.

Special Features:
• Strong focus on the arts, includes partnering with Urban Voices, Urbanity, The New England Conservatory, and The Museum of Fine Arts.
• STEM.
• Soccer field.
• Fully automated bilingual school library.
• Annual field day, movie nights, and family nights.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Dual language program for all students.

After school programs in our building:
• Bodega de Arte After School from 2:30-6:00 p.m.
Irving Middle School
Grades 6-8
Carmen Davis, Principal
105 Cummins Highway, Roslindale 02131
617-635-8072

Our core values are Respect, Responsibility, and Integrity. Through our partnership with Children’s Hospital and BPS’ Behavior Health Department we intentionally work to create and sustain a positive school climate where all students, families, and staff can thrive. As a staff we commit to Living Out our Vision of Excellence (LOVE) through:

1. Developing individual relationships with students to understand their strengths, dreams and areas where they need support to grow.
2. Supporting our students’ social and emotional development while intentionally disrupting the school to prison pipeline.
3. Planning well structured, engaging, standards-based lessons that challenge and support each student where they are.
4. Modeling a growth mindset for students.
5. Modeling our core values for students.
6. Engaging authentically in professional learning opportunities.
7. Modeling effective collaboration and communication to improve outcomes for students.

Special Features:
- Extended Learning Time until 2:05 for all students.
- Small group literacy instruction four times per week to support all students growth in reading and writing skills.
- Strong visual arts program.
- Teachers collaborate weekly in grade level and content teams to improve their practice.
- Teachers meet weekly with parents.
- Safe school environment.
- Advanced Work Classes for eligible students in grade 6.
- Small group Advisory once per week to support building students' social emotional skills and social justice awareness.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- CSL - Changing Students Lives program for eligible special education students.

After school programs in our building:
- City Year and Boys and Girls Club of Boston.

Jackson/Mann K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Andy Tuite, Principal
40 Armington St., Allston 02134
617-635-8532

The Jackson Mann K-8 School welcomes students from all over the city, and reflects both the Boston Public Schools and the City of Boston. In addition to general education programs we have a Sheltered English Immersion, AWC, special education inclusion, and successful autism strand programs.

Special Features:
- West End House Boys and Girls Club - Extended Learning Time partner.
- Tutoring and small group work from Boston College interns and in our after school program with Jackson/Mann Community Center for students who need extra help.
- Workshops for parents on school and child development issues developed by the staff, City Connects, and Franciscan Hospital for Children.
- City Connects program and services co-sponsored by Boston Public Schools and Boston College.
- Parent-teacher conferences and ongoing telephone contact between home and school.
- Extended day school including a school day and beyond partnership with West End Boys and Girls Club.
- Apprentice Learning program with local businesses including Cradles to Crayons.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Special education inclusion school.
- Autism program for K0-grade 8.
- Multilingual Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) for grades K2-8.

Before and After school programs in our building:
- Free before school program.
- After school: partnerships and support from Jackson/Mann Community Center, Tenacity, West End House, ISEE prep, and College Success Academy (a Steppingstone program).

J. F. Kennedy Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Christine Copeland, Acting Principal
7 Bolster St., Jamaica Plain 02130
617-635-8127

The John F. Kennedy School aspires to prepare its students to meet the high demands of 21st Century standards. Thus, John F. Kennedy students will be sociable, creative thinkers, skilled problem solvers, effective communicators, and technology versed. They will also be Active, Confident, Disciplined, Respectful, Kind and Honest. The John F. Kennedy Community includes a dedicated staff, supportive families, and motivated students. Our curriculum supports strong literacy and math skills.

Special Features:
- Open Circle is a comprehensive, grade-differentiated social and emotional learning program for children in grades K-5.
- Full-time instructors in science, engineering, computer, and physical education.
- Weekly parent breakfast group and informational sessions about educational issues.
- Fundamental programs, focusing on increasing the amount and quality of our students’ reading.
- Student teachers from Wheelock College and interns.
- Spacious gymnasium and auditorium.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) for English Learners.

After school programs in our building:
- After school programs with Bird Street, America SCORES New England Soccer and City Year, and the Hyde Square Task Force.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Curley K-8 Upper School.
P. J. Kennedy Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Kristen Goncalves, Interim Principal
343 Saratoga St., East Boston 02128
617-635-8466
The Patrick J. Kennedy Elementary School is nestled in the heart of East Boston. We are a small, close knit school that currently enrolls about 300 students. Our staff of more than forty professionals are dedicated to serving our children. It is our mission to educate our students by providing a safe, healthy, and family-like environment. We offer a caring and stimulating environment for all of our students to grow both academically and emotionally.

Special Features:
• Academic Parent Teacher Teams grades K0-1 and growing a grade each year.
• American Heart Association Teaching Garden to grow and cultivate vegetables.
• Full service kitchen in the cafeteria that serves completely fresh hot lunches daily through the Hub and Sprocket project.
• Daily academic specialists including PE, Science, Music, Theatre.
• FoodCorps - an Americorps program that teaches students about the importance of nutrition and health. Includes taste tests, and nutrition lessons.
• Daily “Kids’ Choice” block where students choose from a selection of highly engaging electives that tie academic standards to hands-on, project based learning.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Three full-time ESL teachers for English Learners.
• Special education: one K0/K1 early childhood classroom and inclusive classroom grades K2-4.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school, 7:30-9:00 a.m.: activity time and an opportunity to work on homework for $5 per day.
• America SCORES Boston soccer and writing for grades 3-5 in the fall and spring.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Edwards Middle School or Umana Academy.

Kenny Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Emily Bryan, Principal
19 Oakton Ave., Dorchester 02122
617-635-8789
The Thomas J. Kenny Elementary School is committed to providing each child with rigorous academic instruction and meaningful enrichment opportunities in a safe and supportive environment. We are a small K-5 school that values academics, music, arts, and leadership.

Special Features:
• NAECY accredited Kindergarten program.
• Dedicated science classroom with live animals, hands-on learning opportunities, and instructional technology.
• New playground, soccer field, and sports-based partnerships including Playworks.
• Outdoor garden and classroom space, as well as a partnership with Farm for City Kids. Students spend a week on a farm in the 5th Grade, working and learning about farm living.
• Berklee College of Music small group instruction. Marty Seaberg.
• Wayne program is a therapeutic sports program that provides clinical intervention through soccer teams for students beginning at age 6.
• Growing Inclusion Model (currently K2, grade 1 and grade 2) with additional special education and ESL services.

Special programs:
• Special Education: Specific Learning Disability (LD), Early Childhood programs; ESL services.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school, 7:30-9:15 a.m., run by Kenny School staff; $65/month; BOKS before school athletics for grades 2-5.
• After school, K-1 $120/month and grades 1-5 free daily academic and enrichment programs through the BELL Foundation, runs from mid-October through March.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Mildred Avenue School.

Kilmer K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Emily Berman, Acting Principal
35 Baker St. (K-3); 140 Russett Rd. (4-8)
West Roxbury 02132
617-635-8060
The Kilmer is an academically rigorous school with an experienced, caring staff. We are one school in two buildings. Our K1-3rd grade students and two special needs classes (K0/K1 and K2-2) are in the original building. Our 4th-8th grade students and two special needs classes (3-5 and 4-8) are in a newly renovated school. All our students learn reading and writing through whole class lesson, small group and individual work. We offer art, music, physical education, and science classes. The science lab in the Upper School is completely updated and fully-equipped. The Kilmer is focused on high achievement for all students.

Special Features:
• Up-to-date computers and fully equipped science lab.
• High MCAS success rate.
• Involved parents.
• Named a top-ranked Boston Public Elementary School by Boston Magazine.
• Wallace Grant recipient.
• Focus on each child’s growth.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Specialized K-8 strand for students with autism.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before and after school care for all students available every day. All students are eligible to take a school bus to and from the lower campus for this program.
• Before and after school instrument lessons offered through the Dedham School of Music for a fee.
M. L. King Jr. K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Grace Coleman, Principal
77 Lawrence Ave., Dorchester 02121
617-635-8212
The Martin Luther King, Jr. K-8 Inclusion School’s mission is to work toward the shared goal of preparing students for success in our ever-changing society. Our academically rigorous and leadership-focused curriculum equips students with the knowledge and skills needed to develop their self-awareness, responsibility to family and community, and motivation to excel.

Special Features:
- Newly renovated building.
- Campus is under renovation and will feature new playground equipment and an outdoor classroom.
- Art, music, chorus, performing arts, and physical education.
- Student Council.
- Robotics and National Society of Black Engineers Club.
- Thompson Island partnership focused on expanding students’ access to “real world” science education.
- Home for Little Wanderers provides on-site counseling for students in need of services.

After school programs in our building:
- After school program, 2:30-6:00 p.m. run on-site by the YMCA.

Lee Academy Pilot School
K0-Grade 3
Amelia Gorman, Principal
25 Dunbar Ave., Dorchester 02124
617-635-8618
The Lee Academy Pilot School is a fully inclusive autonomous school, built on partnerships with families, educators, and community members. By meeting children’s social-emotional needs and by guiding them to strive for academic excellence, we are a community which is inclusive, diverse, and equitable that values all kinds of learners and backgrounds. We celebrate the joy of learning by fostering creativity and curiosity while nurturing the individual genius in every child.

Special Features:
- Tae Kwon Do, dance, visual arts, yoga instruction, science, and physical education.
- Inclusive community of learners.
- Several Pre-K NAEYC Accredited classrooms with very low student teacher ratios.
- Lesley Literacy Collaborative School.
- Looping in some grades: some children have the same teacher for 2 years.
- Highly professional staff: Professional Development provided to better support student learning.
- Collaborative relationship with the local YMCA.
- Social Skills Curriculum: Open Circle, Second Step, and Playmakers certified teachers to help foster Social Emotional Development.
- Home visits program.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Full Inclusion classrooms in all grades (General education, Special Education, and English Learners integrated into the same classroom).

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school programs from 7:30 a.m., including Reebok BOKS fitness.
- After school programs from 3:25-6:00 p.m.: Imajine That program with homework help, academic enrichment activities, and playtime.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment for grade 4 to Young Achievers.

Lee K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Kimberly Crowley, Principal
155 Talbot Ave., Dorchester 02124
617-635-8687
The Joseph Lee K-8 School community continuously works towards creating an environment where high performance standards and expectations exist for all students. We believe this model encourages organization, college readiness, as well as higher academic potential.

Special Features:
- Inclusion programs and systems to promote inclusion of all students.
- Advanced Work Class for eligible students in grade 4, 5 and 6.
- Art program, music, computer, and physical education.
- Interns from UMASS Boston, Harvard University, Simmons College and Wheelock University.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Specialized program for students with autism spectrum disorder.

After school programs in our building:
- After school programming for students in grades K0-8 until 5:15 p.m.
Lyndon K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Kathleen Tunney, Management Team
20 Mt. Vernon St., West Roxbury 02132
Grades K-3, 617-635-6824
Grades 4-8, 617-635-6336
The administration and staff of the Lyndon School prepare our students to be lifelong learners. Although known for our strong academic program, we also offer a curriculum which includes visual arts, band, dance, debate team, technology, and after-school academic and sports programs. Teachers are trained in Responsive Classroom and Second Step, social curriculum which have built a strong learning community where high social and academic goals are the school’s core values.

Special Features:
• A full arts curriculum with visual art, general music, chorus, instrumental program, and dance.
• Lending library supported and maintained by parent volunteers.
• All teachers are trained in Responsive Classroom and Second Step, social curriculum which have built a strong learning community.
• Many opportunities for family engagement, including PTA, Friends of the Lyndon and School Site Council.
• Literacy Specialist, ESL teacher, and Special Education teachers.
• Partnership with Children’s Hospital, Home for Little Wanderers and South Bay Community Health, which provides our students support and guidance.
• The Lyndon is equipped with grade level Chromebook carts for grades 2-8. Kindergarten and first grade classrooms have Chromebook centers.
• Students participate in STEM activities and units of study.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special education: four SAR classrooms, grades 2/3/4, 4/5/6, 6/7/8 and 7/8.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before and after school programming provided by the West Roxbury/Roslindale YMCA.

Lyon K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Deborah Rooney, Principal
50 and 95 Beechcroft St., Brighton 02135
617-635-7945
The Mary Lyon K-8 School believes that all students can learn and are entitled to a high-quality education. We are committed to being an inclusive, welcoming school which strives to promote academic, social, and emotional growth. Through innovative thinking, continual reflection on our practice, and dedication to ensuring that every student has access to the curriculum, we will seek to create rich learning experiences which develop the whole child.

Special Features:
• Pilot High School option for grades 9-12
• Highly qualified staff: All teachers hold Masters’ degrees and are dual-certified in both regular and special education.
• Specialists in music, art, technology, and physical education.
• Engaged School Site Council and Parent Council.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Fully inclusive school: all classrooms have special education and general education students.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school, 7:30-9:15 a.m. available for all students in grades K-6.
• After school, 3:30-4:30 p.m. for eligible students: music, band, chorus, enrichment opportunities, and recreational activities.

K-12 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 9 at the Lyon High School.

Manning Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Ethan D’Ablemont-Burnes, Principal
130 Louder’s Lane, Jamaica Plain 02130
617-635-8102
The Manning has an instructional focus on higher order thinking skills and an inclusion program that supports success for all of our children. Our small size allows us to develop meaningful relationships with students so that we can individualize our instructional strategies and students’ social development. We are supported by an active Parent Council and powerful partnerships with the Responsive Classroom, Playworks, and the Faulkner Hospital, among others. Students are offered extra science, library, art, physical education, and music each week.

Special Features:
• Positive school culture nurtured by Responsive Classroom.
• Full-time science technology teacher and librarian, art teachers, and physical education through Playworks.
• School psychologist.
• Occupational and speech therapy.
• Music with the Community Music Center of Boston.
• Computers in every classroom.
• Active parent participation as volunteers, fundraisers, and members of the School Parent and School Site Councils.
• Individual parent conferences.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special Education: Early Childhood integrated K0-K1 classroom; K2-grade 5 are inclusion classes with extra support.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school from 8:00-9:25 a.m.: fee-based program with arts & crafts, chess and Lego club and outdoor activities.
• After school from 3:25-5:45 p.m.: fee-based program offers activities such as dance (ballet and hip hop), physical education, karate, woodworking, music, sailing, Spontaneous Celebration, fencing, Spanish, and French. We also offer academic support and enrichment.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Boston Teachers Union (BTU) K-8 School.
Mason Elementary School
K0-Grade 5
Lauretta Lewis-Medley, Principal
150 Norfolk Ave., Roxbury 02119
617-635-8405
The mission of the Mason School is to provide a comprehensive and rigorous full inclusion academic program supported by committed staff, student interns, devoted parents, and a strong community working collaboratively and learning together. Teachers are dual-certified and have had professional development related to SPED, ESL instruction, and the content areas. The Mason promotes teacher leaders who assume various leadership roles and serve as mentors to student interns.

Special Features:
• Kindergartens accredited by National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).
• Partners with City Connects to meet the social, emotional, and academic needs of students.
• Art, music, dance, physical education, technology and swim instruction (Grades 1-5) offered.
• Extended science learning through the Boston Nature Center, Food Project and Ferry Beach.
• Boston University, Northeastern University and Wheelock College provide interns and tutors.
• READ Boston Grant providing free books and literacy events for all students.
• Looping occurs in Grades K2/1 and with one 2/3 and 4/5 class.
• Reading Recovery a research based literacy intervention for struggling first graders.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special Education: two inclusion classrooms per grade from K0/K1-Grade 5.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school from 7:30-8:10 a.m.: grades K-5, $45 per month.
• After school from 2:30-6:00 the YMCA provides programming for grades K2-5, sliding fee scale; from 3:00-5:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays the Young People Project provide extra tutoring in Math.

K-12 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at Dearborn STEM Academy.

Mather Elementary School
Rochelle Nwosu, Principal
K1-Grade 5
One Parish St., Dorchester 02122
617-635-8757
Our mission is, “Educating and empowering all children to reach their potential through academic and socially enriching experiences.” All students recite the Mather School Pledge each morning, sometimes in Vietnamese, Cape Verdean, or Spanish to celebrate the cultures of our students.

Special Features:
• Weekly adult volunteers in the classrooms.
• Achievement Network School, Literacy Collaborative.
• Active School Site Council and School Parent Council.
• Nutrition programs through Northeastern University for primary grades and UMASS for upper grades.
• City Sprouts joined the Mather and created a full edible garden where our children learn about nutrition.
• Located on historic Meeting House Hill, next to a fire station and 2 churches.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Vietnamese SEI program for grades K-5.
• Full Learning Disabled (LD) strand for students in grades 1-5.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school athletic program (BOKS).
• After school, 4:10-6:00: $40 a week. Students receive homework support and enrichment opportunities such as hip-hop and martial arts.
• Other Out of School (OST) programs include: 3 Point Foundation Basketball, America SCORES soccer, Boston City Singers, BRYE, Brookline Literacy, Mather Music Ensemble, Boy/Cub Scouts, City Sprouts, Girl Scouts, Saturday Academy, Viet-Aid, Sportsmens Tennis, DARE Dance, Dance with Books.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Frederick Middle School.

Mattapan Early Elementary School
K1-Grade 2
Walter Henderson, Principal
100 Hebron St., Mattapan 02126
617-635-8792
The Mattapan Early Elementary School will serve as a model of excellence in early childhood education, specializing in providing trauma-sensitive practices and includes both general education and special education programs for students with autism in an inclusion setting.

We will engage our families by actively partnering with them to foster an active and interesting learning environment. Families will be able to participate in book fairs, parent teacher conferences, parent teacher data review nights, as well as Parent Council.

Special Features:
• Special education programs for students with autism in an inclusion setting.
• Extended School Day.
• Extended School Year.
• Trauma-sensitive practices.
• Technology, including Smartboards, iPads, and Computers.
• Home Reading Program.
• Open Circle.
• Gym weekly; adaptive physical education and swimming classes.
• Focused interventions for students.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Haitian Creole K1 dual language program.
McCormack Middle School
Grades 6-8
Elvis Henriquez, Principal
315 Mt. Vernon St., Dorchester 02125
617-635-8657

The John W. McCormack Middle School serves a diverse group of students. We take pride in our mission to support both academic and personal growth for every child who walks through our doors. The McCormack creates an environment where we can meet the needs of every student. We use restorative practices to create a more positive school climate. We have transformed spaces in our school to support students’ social and emotional wellness.

Special Features:
- Strong programming offered by City Year, The Eliot School of Fine & Applied Arts, The Boston Trinity Foundation, and Tenacity.
- Visual and performing arts program available to all students.
- Daily science and social studies for all students.
- Extra academic assistance in reading and math as needed.
- Catie’s Closet - Schools equipped with a Catie’s Closet give students living in poverty the ability to discreetly pick and choose the clothing and basic necessities they need, and are proud to wear.
- Participation in middle school leagues for football, basketball, track and field and baseball.
- Tech Goes Home provides a training program that our teachers use to teach families computer literacy.
- Caring faculty focused on the success and well-being of every student.
- A great school community that welcomes all families and wants you to be part of the McCormack.

After school programs in our building:
- After school from 2:20-4:30: Wide range of enrichment and extra academic activities, provided by our partners from Monday-Thursday.

McKay K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Jordan Weymer, Principal
122 Cottage St., East Boston 02128
617-635-8510

The Donald McKay K-8 School is a welcoming community that embraces the uniqueness of every child. We empower students to do their best by setting high expectations, actively involving families, and fostering core values of respect, effort, and responsibility. The McKay School staff believe, “Our students will learn through expert instruction. We are collectively responsible for the education of our students and will collaborate in a supportive environment to ensure all students succeed.”

Special Features:
- Technology Goes Home: students and parents take computer classes together and can buy a new computer at a low cost at the end of the program.
- Fresh fruit and vegetable program providing all students with healthy snacks.
- Fully inclusive, co-taught classrooms in grades 2-8.
- Pre-AP program in middle school English, Math, and Science.
- Steppingstone College Success Academy for students in grades 5-8.
- Flying Cloud and Student of the Week student recognition program.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- On-site, bilingual clinicians.
- Spanish Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) program in grades K2-5.
- English as a Second Language after-school and family literacy programs.

After school programs in our building:
- YMCA program for all students, fee.
- America SCORES Boston soccer for grades 3-8.
- City Year Ripples for grades 3-8.
- Steppingstone College Success Academy for students in grades 4 and 5.
- After school tutoring with licensed teachers.

Mendell Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Julia Bott, Principal
164 School St., Roxbury 02119
617-635-8234

The Mendell is a small school of less than 250 students. We have caring and committed teachers with licenses at all grades levels and special education and ESL licensure at most grade levels. We have an active Parent Council, School Site Council and Engagement Team working to support the school and build a strong and inclusive school community.

Special Features:
- Comprehensive arts program including a full-time Art teacher for all grades, part-time Music Education teacher for K-1st grade students and musical cantata writing and performing education for students in grade 2 through Classroom Cantatas.
- Two school-based counselors to provide individual and group counseling services, Leadership Teams.
- Full-time Science Teacher for all grade levels.
- Many family activities, including workshops on how to prepare children for the MCAS, family literacy and math, and fun activities such as Magical Mendell Day.
- Inclusive School with increased supports for ALL Learners.
- Outdoor Classroom for hands-on instruction in science and the arts.
- Physical Education and Recess activities provided by full-time Playworks coach; Part-time Physical Education teacher.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school care starting at 7:30 a.m. for grades K1-5 using a clubs enrichment model (sliding scale fee).
- After school care from 3:30-6:00 p.m. for grades K1-5 (sliding fee).
- On-site YMCA program for K2-5 with extracurricular activities.
- K1 after school program provided by Mendell teachers and staff.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Timilty Middle School.
Mildred Avenue K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Andrew Rollins, Principal
5 Mildred Ave., Mattapan 02126
617-635-1642
In 2016, The Mildred Avenue K-8 School became the first Level 1 school in Mattapan. In 2017, we were honored to be named a finalist for the prestigious School On The Move Prize. As a community, we support our learners academically, socially, and emotionally as part of the Mildred Family each and everyday.

Special Features:
• ISEE test preparation for entrance into exam schools.
• Advanced Work Class provides an accelerated Honors curriculum.
• Frequent field trips and experiential learning opportunities.
• Partnerships with Boston Youth Wrestling, Harlem Lacrosse and Leadership, and Play Ball provide many athletic opportunities.

After school programs in our building:
• Programs until 5:00 p.m. (Monday-Thursday, and Friday in the lower elementary grades).
• Lower elementary programming provided by the Mildred Avenue Community Center and PACE (Monday-Friday).
• Upper elementary programming provided by City Year (Monday-Thursday).
• Middle school programming led by Mildred teachers and features many community partners. (Monday-Thursday).

Mission Hill K-8 School
K0-Grade 8
Ayla Gavins, Principal
20 Child St., Jamaica Plain 02130
617-635-6384
The small learning community emphasizes a project-based, collaborative curriculum, inclusive of all learning abilities. Experiential education is at the core of the curriculum. Whenever possible, there are two adults in each classroom. Students graduate when they can demonstrate that they have the skills, disposition, and knowledge needed to tackle high school and young adulthood. The school has required informational meetings for families that are interested before their child can be officially accepted. Families must make an informed decision and embrace the mission and vision of the school. Family participation and support is necessary for academic success.

Special Features:
• Arts emphasized through much of the school day.
• Focus on three school-wide themes each year.
• Graduation based on performance.
• Focus on habits of mind and work.
• Use of multiple assessments, not just standardized testing, to measure student achievement.
• Home/school partnership sustained through ongoing exhibitions of student work.
• Partnerships with local universities and museums focused on learning.
• Sharing and learning from innovative educators locally and internationally.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Full inclusion of general education and special education students.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school, 8:00-9:15 a.m. for all grades.
• After school, 3:30-6:00 p.m. for students in grades K0-6.
• K0 children may only attend one program, either before OR after school, not both.

Mozart Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Michael Baulier, Principal
236 Beech St., Roslindale 02131
617-635-8082
Mozart students are ROCK stars: they are Respectful, Open, Cooperative, and Kind. We are a small and welcoming school with a program for students with autism. We create daily opportunities for students with and without autism to engage with one another and learn together.

Special Features:
• Technology instruction is embedded in 1st-5th grade classrooms.
• Science, Physical Education, Art, Music, and Library specialty classes.
• Semi-private flute, clarinet, trumpet and violin lessons for students in grades 3-5 through partnership with Making Music Matters!
• NAEYC Accredited Early Childhood Program.
• Beautiful facility includes an outdoor classroom frequented by Science classes and a renovated playground.
• Counseling and tutoring through partnerships with the Home For Little Wanderers and Jewish Coalition for Literacy.
• Enrichment opportunities through partnerships with BOKS, YMCA, and the 10 Boys Initiative.
• Experienced and devoted staff with very low turnover.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special Education: autism program for grades K0-5.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• On-site before and after school programming led by the YMCA for students in grades K1-5
•_before school: Fee based, rates vary. BOKS physical activity program, free program sponsored by Reebok.
• After school, 3:30-6:00 p.m.: for grades K2-5 run by the West Roxbury YMCA; for K1 run by Mozart School staff.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Irving Middle School.
Murphy K-8 School  
K1-Grade 8  
Courtney Sheppeck, Principal  
1 Worrell Street, Dorchester 02122  
617-635-8781  
The Murphy K-8 school is a large school with a diverse student population. We pride ourselves on strong instructional practices. We believe our lifelong learning begins here at the Murphy and that all students can achieve at high levels. We embrace #murphymindset, which means that we adopt "Growth Mindset," a belief system that we learn from our failures and we encourage productive struggle so that we can achieve our lifelong dreams and goals. We believe lifelong learning begins here at the Murphy and that all students can achieve at high levels.  
**Special Features:**  
- Partnerships with Emmanuel College, Tufts University, UMass, and Mass General Hospital which each bring interns and student teachers to assist in classrooms.  
- A dedicated faculty, including lead teachers, teacher-coaches, Boston Teacher of the Year winners, and National Board Certified teachers.  
- Preparation for Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE) for all grade 6/8 students.  
- AVID college readiness program.  
- Swimming, music, art, technology, and physical education with renovated gym with rock wall.  
- Three new computer mobile labs.  
- Strong parent involvement, with active committees.  
- Partnerships with many businesses, universities, and cultural organizations.  

**Before and after school programs in our building:**  
- Before school, 7:30-8:15 a.m. as well as BOKS Kidz fitness Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7-8 a.m.  
- After school, Monday-Friday until 6:15 p.m.:  
  - homework help, art, music, technology, chess, science, history, renewable energy, drama, Destination Imagination, instrumental music lessons, and STEM programs.

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O’Donnell Elementary School  
K1-Grade 5  
C. Sura O’Mard, Principal  
33 Trenton St., East Boston 02128  
617-635-8454  
The Hugh Roe O’Donnell is a safe, successful, high-performing, and family-friendly school. The O’Donnell community welcomes students of all ethnicities, and we recognize and celebrate the deep cultural diversity that the O’Donnell School represents. All communication is in English and Spanish. With an integrated approach to learning, O’Donnell students are afforded every opportunity to unmask their potential for educational success. We use project-based learning strategies that include celebrating the rich cultural diversity that allows our students exposure to all subject areas including music, physical education, STEM and other modes of learning.  
**Special Features:**  
- Hatchett Book Group and Generations Inc. reading initiatives for primary grades.  
- 10 Boys Initiative: Mentorship programs for at-risk ethnic minority boys.  
- Neighborhood of Affordable Housing (NOAH) Summer Schoolyard Day Camp, July-August.  
- Discovering Justice character development, social justice and citizen awareness program.  
- Tech Goes Home: parents and students take computer classes together and can buy a computer with a no-interest loan.  

**English Learner & Special Education programs:**  
- Multilingual SEI program at all grade levels.  
- Special Education: resource room supports; Learning and Adaptive Behavior (L/AB) program for students with emotional disabilities.  

**Before and after school programs in our building:**  
- Before school from 7-8 a.m. $6 per day  
- After school: extracurricular sports opportunities for students in grades 6-8.  
- After school tutoring through a partnership with Noble and Greenough School.  
- Roughly 50 students accepted into exam schools each year.  
- Tutors through a partnership with the Temple Emmanuel Literacy Coalition.  
- Student teachers from Northeastern University, Curry College, and UMass.  

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Ohrenberger School  
Grades 3-8  
Sonie Felix, Acting Principal  
175 West Boundary Rd., West Roxbury 02132  
617-635-8157  
The Ohrenberger School strives to develop a nurturing learning community in which all students can thrive. We work hard to instill a love of learning in our students and push them to become critical thinkers and community leaders.  
**Special Features:**  
- Extracurricular sports opportunities for students in grades 6-8.  
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**Before and after school programs in our building:**  
- Before school from 7:00 a.m. $6 per day  
- After school: enrichment programs in partnership with the Ohrenberger Community Center, 1-2 afternoons per week $35 for 10 sessions; childcare from 2:30-5:30 for grades 3-5, $20 per day.
Orchard Gardens K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Doris Venditti, Acting Principal
906 Albany St., Roxbury 02119
617-635-1660
Orchard Gardens K-8 Pilot School guarantees all students a rigorous academic experience, provided in an environment that values and celebrates strong relationships between students, staff, families, and community. All students will believe in their ability to achieve and be offered a wide range of enrichments to be fully prepared for success in college and career. We are on track to becoming one of the top performing schools in the state.

Special Features:
• Music, art, theater, dance, and a library media program.
• Multiple extended day programs.
• Guidance Counselor and Student Support Coordinator.
• Strong partnerships with families through monthly progress reports.
• Family Coordinators who partner with families.
• A beautiful, state of the art building built in 2003.
• Clubs and sports for students grades 3-8.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Specialized strand for students with disabilities.
• Skilled intervention teachers providing specialized support.
• Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) for Spanish and Cape Verdean Creole speaking students.
• Specialized program for students with interrupted formal education.

After school programs in our building:
• After school: Boys and Girls Club/City Year (grades 3-5); Citizen Schools (mandatory for grades 6-8); America SCORES soccer and writing program (grades 3-5); sports and clubs (eligibility based on attendance and grades).

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Otis Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Paula Cerqueira-Goncalves, Principal
218 Marion St., East Boston 02128
617-635-8372
The Otis is one of few select schools that employ a full-time Community Field Coordinator. This position plays a vital role in communicating with families on school policies and student progress. We have a diverse and dedicated group of highly qualified teachers that reflect the diversity of our student population. Most of the Otis staff speaks two or more languages. Most have their ESL license in addition to their primary license. We always end our year on a high note, our fifth graders’ annual full-scale production at the East Boston High School Auditorium. Our students enjoy a full complement of art, music, theater, science, and computers.

Special Features:
• Diverse, multilingual staff.
• High percentage of parents attending Parent University.
• Specialist teachers for art, music, dance, science, and computers,
• We offer music, art, science, computers, physical education, Keyboard lab, and Extended Learning Time School.
• Interactive Polyvision Whiteboards in most classrooms.
• Partnership with Harborside to offer parents after school ESL classes.
• Active Parent Council, with representatives on our School Site Council.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special Education: Integrated Early Childhood program, KO/K1.
• English Learners: Sheltered English Immersion (SEI); multilingual program.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school: 7:15-8:15 a.m. BOKS fitness program, homework club, and tutoring.
• After school: program for children of parents enrolled in on-site ESL school program, Monday-Thursday, 3:15-5:15 p.m.; tutoring by Otis teachers for select students; YMCA program, 3:15-6:30 p.m.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Edwards Middle School or McKay School.

Perkins Elementary School
K2-Grade 5
Craig Martin, Principal
50 Rev. Burke St., South Boston 02127
617-635-8601
Perkins Elementary is preparing to provide your child with an unparalleled learning experience that broadens them as thinkers, problem-solvers, and change agents. With solid teaching and learning, we will enhance the creativity, passion, and optimism your child brings to our campus. Our goal is to educate, empower, and elevate your son/daughter to excellence as learners and global citizens.

Special Features:
• School Success Team model that supports the social and emotional needs of students.
• Brothers of Distinction, MJP Boys Program.
• Wonderfully Made, MJP Girls’ Group.
• MJP Perkins Pride Student Ambassadors Program.
• Community Day of Scholars Awards Program.
• MJP Parent 2 Hour Program Initiative.
• International Potluck Literacy Night.
• STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Artistry, & Mathematics) Clubs.
• Exclusive MJP Fill the Bucket Program.

Before school programs in our building:
• BOKS Before School Fitness Program.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the McCormack Middle School.
Perry K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Geoffrey Rose, Principal
745 East 7th St., South Boston 02127
617-635-8840
The Perry K-8 School is a community working together to prepare our students for successful futures. We develop strong relationships with families and students to provide the best education for every child, every day. Our focus is to academically and socially advance our students through innovative experiences designed to positively promote the learning of the whole child.

Special Features:
- Ocean-Front Outdoor Classroom created by Schoolyard Initiative.
- Comprehensive Wellness Program including Physical Education and Health.
- Fully implemented inquiry-based Science curriculum.
- Single strand K1-8th grade school.
- String instruments, chorus, and music classes.
- Students have access to technology: All teachers have projectors. We also utilize two Chromebook carts, three iPad carts, and one MacBook cart to support daily lessons.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Highly specialized special education programs for students with intellectual impairments.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school: 7:30-9:15 a.m., Monday-Friday.
- Shark Squad fitness program on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- After school: 3:30-5:30 p.m. program for K1-5 students led by Perry staff, Monday-Friday.

Philbrick Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Danladi Bobbitt, Principal
40 Philbrick St., Roslindale 02131
617-635-8069
The Philbrick is one of Boston’s smallest public schools. The size of the school enables teachers to provide personal attention to all children and establish an environment that is both intimate and nurturing. We believe that our students will learn if provided with a rigorous and well-rounded educational experience. To reach this end, we use a workshop approach to reading, writing, and mathematics instruction. We also provide specialty classes in science, music, physical education, art, and we establish extensive business, community, and family partnerships.

Special Features:
- Wireless laptop, iPad access for students, grades 4 and 5 have Coding and Robotics as part of our STEM program.
- Excellence for All.
- Monthly school community award assemblies.
- Making Music Matters, small group instrumental lessons in grades 4-5.
- Elliott School of Art partnership grade K-5.
- JQS Orchestra for K2 to grade 7 students.
- Cultural events such as Winter Festival, Chinese New Year.
- Workshops for parents in Chinese and English.
- Weekly coffee/tea hour for parents.
- Modern complex with rooftop play decks and outdoor learning space.
- MA DESE designated Level 1 school.
- Mandarin language instruction for all students.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school: Free activities sponsored by the physical education teacher three mornings a week; Neighborhood Walking Club, BOKS fitness.
- After school: Strong Women, Strong Girls group, sports, arts & crafts, Legos, coding, band, choir, etc.

K-12 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at Josiah Quincy Upper School.

Quincy Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Cynthia Soo Hoo, Principal
885 Washington St., Boston 02111
617-635-8497
The Quincy has a strong legacy of academic rigor, instilling respect, perseverance, and self-discipline among our students. Drawing upon the energy of its neighborhoods and the diversity of our students to create a vibrant community that seeks to prepare all students for global citizenship.

Special Features:
- Small class size in grades 1 and 2.
- Robotic science program for grade 5.
- Clubs, dance troupe, visual arts, and swimming.
- JOS Orchestra for K2 to grade 7 students.
- Cultural events such as Winter Festival, Chinese New Year.
- Workshops for parents in Chinese and English.
- Weekly coffee/tea hour for parents.
- Modern complex with rooftop play decks and outdoor learning space.
- MA DESE designated Level 1 school.
- Mandarin language instruction for all students.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school: Free activities sponsored by the physical education teacher three mornings a week; Neighborhood Walking Club, BOKS fitness.
- After school: Strong Women, Strong Girls group, sports, arts & crafts, Legos, coding, band, choir, etc.

K-12 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at Josiah Quincy Upper School.
Roosevelt K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Lynda-Lee Sheridan, Principal
30 Millstone Rd. (K1-1);
95 Needham Rd. (2-8)
Hyde Park 02136
617-635-8676
The Franklin D. Roosevelt K-8 School is a newly renovated, two campus school. We are a full inclusion program that is committed to developing academic excellence in every child. We are a community of scholars. In partnership with families and the community, our staff provides a safe, nurturing learning environment for our children. We value the individuality of each child and strive to empower every student with critical and creative thinking skills. Our staff models the habits of lifelong learning, respect for others, and responsible citizenship that we aim to instill in every Roosevelt student.

Special Features:
• Highly experienced teaching staff.
• On site counseling services provided by Arbour, Primary Project, Home for Little Wanderers.
• Technology Goes Home program offered to families outside of school time.
• Strong family/community engagement.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special education: full inclusion school.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school, 7:30-8:15, offered at each campus; BOKS free movement program two days a week at each campus, fall and spring.
• After school: Little Voices for K1-grade 5 everyday; robotics club for elementary school students; Strong Drama program for grades 2-8; Debate club for middle schoolers.
• After school sports: America SCORES soccer, grades 3-5, fall and spring; Intramural sports by season (basketball, double-dutch, volleyball, cross country), grades 6-8.

Russell Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Tamara Blake-Canty, Principal
750 Columbia Rd., Dorchester 02125
617-635-8803
The Russell School focus:
1. Academic Rigor
2. Student Support
3. Community Engagement

Special Features:
• Partnership with the Kraft Foundation and Fuel Up to Play 60 provide students leadership opportunities in the context of health and wellness.
• Destination learning experiences to sites like Hale Reservation, Harbor Islands, Museum of Science, Wakefield Estate, Plymouth Plantation, and the Aquarium.
• The Russell was named a bronze level school with the Alliance for a Healthier Generation's Healthy School Program.
• Cross disciplinary learning activities and projects through specialist teachers.
• Technologies like classroom smart boards, iPads, computers, flip cameras, and the Adobe Youth Voices Grant.
• Student wellness council, 10 Boys Initiative, and the Junior Coaches Program.
• Strong collaboration between retired administration and the current staff to maintain consistency in student education and family support.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the McCormack Middle School.

P.A. Shaw Elementary School
K1-Grade 3
Akosua Osei-Bobie, Principal
429 Norfolk St., Dorchester 02124
617-635-8777
We at the P.A. Shaw, believe in developing critical thinkers and active citizens in the community. Through rigorous instruction, inquiry-based learning, and family/community engagement practices, we will foster the relationships necessary to ensure that all children are successful.

Special Features:
• Home Visits program.
• K0/K1 center-based classrooms.
• Raising a Reader program in K1.
• Library & Media Studies classes.
• Small school community: K0-3rd grade.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• K0/K1 center-based classroom for children with disabilities.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school from 7:15-9:15 a.m. at the YMCA Dorchester.
• After school from 3:30-6:00 p.m. at the Shaw also provided by YMCA Dorchester.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 4 at the Mildred Avenue School.

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Sumner Elementary School  
K1-Grade 5  
Catherine MacCuish, Principal  
15 Basile St., Roslindale 02131  
617-635-8131  
The Sumner is committed to developing and nurturing each child’s talents and abilities in a safe and academically challenging environment. Our solid academic program focuses on building a strong school climate with efforts to celebrate all levels of academic and behavioral accomplishments. We are a full-service school emphasizing the arts and school-based services. We offer services and programs such as tutoring, band, and strategic interventions through programs like Response to Intervention. The Sumner Faculty go above and beyond to ensure each and every child has the most successful education and services.  
Special Features:  
• Partner for Student Success School extending teaching and learning beyond the school day.  
• Response to Intervention through the Academic Achievement Framework.  
• Strong focus on differentiating instruction.  
• Many opportunities for family involvement.  
• Diverse community.  
• Healthy School Program with a focus on teaching children healthy choices.  
English Learner & Special Education programs:  
• Special Education classes, grades 1-5.  
• Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) for English Learners.  
Before and after school programs in our building:  
• Before school: literacy and math activities for grades K1-5; sliding scale fee and financial aid available.  
• After school: grades 1-5 programming provided by the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston; K1 and K2 programming focused on academic support, enrichment activities, and recreation.  
K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Irving Middle School. 

Taylor Elementary School  
K1-Grade 5  
Jennifer Marks, Principal  
1060 Morton St., Mattapan 02126  
617-635-8731  
The Charles H. Taylor School provides access and opportunity for all students to learn in an environment that embraces and respects all cultures. Through the implementation of the Common Core Standards and our instructional focus on literacy we will support all students in achieving academic and behavioral success. Our team works hard to create a joyful school community where students and families feel welcome. We believe in maintaining high expectations and providing high levels of support to make sure all students reach their full potential.  
Special Features:  
• School Wide Positive Behavior Intervention System.  
• Japanese language instruction for Advanced Work Class students.  
• French language instruction.  
English Learner & Special Education programs:  
• Special education strand for ESD/SAR students.  
• Outstanding Haitian Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) program for grades K1-5.  
Before and after school programs:  
• Before school: 7:00-9:00 a.m. tutoring and enrichment program for $40 per week; BOKS exercise program, 5 days a week.  
• After school: 3:30-5:45 p.m. enrichment, homework and tutoring program, $65 per week.  
K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Mildred Avenue School.

Timilty Middle School  
Grades 6-8  
T’Sheba Martin, Principal  
205 Roxbury St., Roxbury 02119  
617-635-8109  
The Timilty emphasizes evidence-based argumentation skills and activities integrated across all classes. We are also an Extended Learning Time school, which provides an innovative approach to learning through a longer school day. Our school also features programs such as “Dress for Success”, small teams of 80-100 students, literacy and math integrated across curricula, as well as courses in physical education, health, visual art, instrumental music, and Japanese. Professional learning communities meet on a daily basis to address instructional needs of all student.  
Special Features:  
• Digital Promise: Verizon Initiative Learning School (VILS) 1:1 iPad.  
• College awareness and readiness program.  
• Tech Goes Home: students and parents take computer classes together and can get a no-interest loan to buy a computer.  
• Two-time winner of the National Award for Excellence from the U. S. Dept. of Education.  
• Winner of many other awards, including the National Title I Distinguished School Award and designation as a Promising Pals: student letter exchange program with distinguished adults in Boston.  
After school programs:  
• STE(A)M Team through Sociedad Latina; free string lessons through Boston’s Citywide String Orchestra; MathSTARS through MathPOWER (Northeastern University); academic and enrichment activities with UU Urban Ministry; SquashBusters.

To see a full list of a school’s partner organizations, please visit partnerbps.org/locations
**Tobin K-8 School**

K1-Grade 8  
Efrain Toledano, Principal  
40 Smith St., Mission Hill, Roxbury 02120  
617-635-8393  

Our mission is to implement a rigorous academic program with opportunities for artistic expression and clear expectations in an atmosphere that is safe, nurturing, respectful, and inspiring.  

**Special Features:**  
- A state-of-the-art computer lab donated by the Celtics’ Ray Allen.  
- A collaboration with Mass Art.  
- Music and dance opportunities offered through Sociedad Latina.  
- Summer jobs for graduating 8th graders at Brigham and Women’s Hospital.  
- Free food market available to Tobin families.  
- Active Parent Council and School Site Council.  
- Tutors for All, a 1-to-1 tutoring program for 7th and 8th graders.  
- Boston Educator of the Year award winners on staff.  
- 5th-8th grade students take part in science labs every other Friday through a partnership that the school has with Brigham and Women’s Hospital.

**English Learner & Special Education programs:**  
- Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) for English Learners  

**Before and after school programs:**  
- Before and after school: Boston’s Bridge to Excellence for K2-grade 2, 8:00-9:30 a.m. and 4:10-5:30 p.m.  
- After school: staff walk grade 1-5 students around the corner to the Tobin Community Center from 4:10-5:30 p.m. (sliding fee scale). Sociedad Latina for grades 6-8, 3:30-5:00 p.m. at the Timility; free, transportation provided.

**Trotter K-8 School**

K1-Grade 8  
Sarita Thomas, Principal  
135 Humboldt Ave., Dorchester 02121  
617-635-8225  

At the Trotter, we are preparing our students to be empowered and take academic risks. In order to accomplish this task we must create a safe and healthy school and classroom environment.  

**Special Features:**  
- Tutoring and mentoring provided by Boston University, our major partner. A beautiful, well-stocked new library provided by Target.  
- Outdoor classroom for science, math, and writing activities.  
- Tech Goes Home program in our new computer lab: parents and their children take computer classes together and may buy a computer for a low cost.  
- Before- and after-school program—academic tutoring, sports and enrichment through clubs, mentor programs.  
- 10 Girls Initiative Program, PlayWorks, America Scores Boston, Cub Scouts.  
- Boston Bike Program, Dance with Books, Big Sisters collaboration with BLA, Strong Women, Strong Girls Collaboration with Simmons College.  

**After school programs in our building:**  
- Run by Imagine That from 2:00-6:00 p.m.: Homework help, tutoring, sports and enrichment through clubs such as dance, woodworking, and basketball (fee).  
- Many additional enrichment programs that are free for Trotter students, such as City Year, tutoring, Big Sisters. These would not be suitable for families who need consistent after school care.

**Tynan Elementary School**

K1-Grade 5  
Leslie Gant, Principal  
650 East 4th St., South Boston 02127  
617-635-8641  

We are preparing our students to be academically and socially successful. We work diligently to help our students become global citizens who are able to read and write using evidence based information in all content areas. Our students have access to Chromebooks and utilize technology across content areas. They develop an appreciation for Literacy and Math through listening, reading, writing and speaking. All students participate in Science, Physical Education, STEM, and Vocal Music each week. We emphasize the 4 Tynan Core Values: Be Kind, Be Respectful, Be Safe and Be Responsible on a daily basis and we are committed to celebrating the gifts every child brings to our community.  

**Special Features:**  
- Mass. Water Resources Authority (MWRA) science programs.  
- A new orchestra string program for students in grades 3-5.  
- Technology Goes Home computer classes for families.  
- Boston Partners in Education / PowerLunch, Tutormate.  
- Mentoring students in grades K to 3.  
- One full time Science Specialist teacher and one Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) Teacher.  
- Culturally diverse school population.  
- Volunteers and tutors from NSTAR, Boston Partners in Education, Foster Grandparents, and Generations, Inc.

**English Learner & Special Education programs:**  
- Special education: autism program.  
- Program for English Learners.  

**Before and after school programs in our building:**  
- Before school: BOKS fitness from Reebok.  
- After school: Tynan Community Center, bus to South Boston Neighborhood House and South Boston Boys & Girls Club.  

**K-8 Pathway:** Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the McCormack Middle School.
Umana Academy
K1-Grade 8
Claudia Gutierrez, Principal
312 Border St., East Boston 02128
617-635-8481
The vision of the Mario Umana Academy is: to nurture and empower all students to think critically, achieve academic excellence, contribute as global citizens, and succeed in a culturally and linguistically diverse world. Expanded Learning Time provides additional time for academic support and enrichment.

Special Features:
• We aspire to becoming a STEM school and are currently partnered with East Boston High School Science Mentoring Program.
• We are piloting the EcoRise Program that allows students to take an active role in environmental issues in their community.
• Meeting the academic needs of all students is our priority, and we use the START blocks (intervention and enrichment blocks) to address individual students’ areas of needs, and push their learning.
• We hold partnerships that provide our students with exposure to professionals in various industries through the Big Cheese Reads program.
• Our student have access to various resident partners such as Tenacity, RALLY, Gear Up who provide students with support in developing academically and socio-emotionally.
• To learn more visit our website www.bostonpublicschools.org/umana.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special Education: program for students with intellectual impairment grades K2-8.

After school programs in our building:
• Soccer & Poetry during the Fall and Spring season (America SCORES); Basketball and Coed Hockey during Winter season; Science/Engineering & Sports Club; Environmental Club.

UP Academy Charter School of Boston
Grades 6-8
Katy Buckland, Principal
215 Dorchester St., South Boston 02127
617-635-8819
Our school focuses on creating structured, high rigor and supportive environments where all students can excel.

Special Features:
• Rigorous, standards-based curriculum and instruction emphasizing math and reading.
• Relentlessly high, consistent academic and behavioral expectations for all stakeholders, including students, families, and staff.
• Open lines of communication between school and family: reports on student progress and performance are sent home each week.
• Enrichment program on Fridays for all students.
• iSEE and SSAT prep for 8th grade students.
• Full-time High School Choice Manager.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Network of academic and other supports in place for all students, including English Learners and students with disabilities.

After school programs in our building:
• Extended school day Monday-Thursday; after school programming Monday-Thursday until 3:30 and Friday until 1:00.

UP Academy Charter School of Dorchester
K1-Grade 8
Brittany Morse, Principal
35 Westville St., Dorchester 02124
617-752-2788
UP Academy Dorchester aims to ensure all students acquire the knowledge, skills, and strength of character necessary to succeed on the path to college and to achieve their full potential. Our school program is modeled on the highest-performing urban public schools in the United States.

Special Features:
• Rigorous, standards-based curriculum and instruction emphasizing literacy and math.
• Relentlessly high, consistent academic and behavioral expectations for all stakeholders, including students, families, and staff.
• Network of academic and other supports in place for all students, including English language learners and students with disabilities.
• Open lines of communication between school and family: reports on student progress and performance each week.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Comprehensive supports for all students, including Special Education students and English Learners.

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school: Breakfast served from 7:15-7:45 a.m. daily.
• After school: Programming for K1-grade 4 (Imajine That) Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 3:30-6:00 p.m. and Wednesday 12:30-6:00 p.m.
UP Academy Holland Charter School
K1-Grade 5
Hillary Casson, Principal
85 Olney St., Dorchester 02121
617-635-8832
UP Academy Holland aims to ensure all students acquire the knowledge, skills, and strength of character necessary to succeed on the path to college and to achieve their full potential. Our mantra is “Passion + Purpose.”

Special Features:
• Daily Pledge: Working Hard to Get Smarter.
• Family Community Coordinator.
• Swimming pool with full swimming program.
• Fine Arts Program: Art & Boston Ballet.
• Two technology labs.
• Diamond Educators Mentoring Saturday program.
• Technology Goes Home.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Spanish and Vietnamese Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) Programs.
• Full range of special education classes and programs for English Learners.

After school programs in our building:
• City Year, Monday-Thursday; Holland Community Center, Monday-Friday.

Warren/Prescott K-8 School
K1-Grade 8
Michele Davis, Principal
50 School St., Charlestown 02129
617-635-8346
At the Warren Prescott, we focus on the whole child. We provide a strong foundation in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Social Studies. We also provide instruction in music, art, physical education and Spanish K1-8.

Special Features:
• Tutoring provided by local community agencies.
• Big Brother and Big Sister programs.
• Extended Learning School for grades K1-8.
• Specialist teachers for art, music, physical education, science, and Spanish.
• A recess program that promotes safe, positive, and fun activity for all students.
• Power Lunch.
• Chorus, musicals, and theater productions.
• Another Mathematics Path program and Math Rules Program.
• Emergency preparedness training.
• Fitness programs including BOKS, cycling, yoga, and soccer.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special education classrooms.

After school programs in our building:
• Before school program: BOKS Fitness focusing on healthy habits, nutrition, and exercise.
• After school programs:
  Free: Math Path, soccer (upper school), visual art (upper school), theater (upper school), chorus, theater productions, America SCORES soccer, Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts, 10 Boys, 10 Girls, sailing, and more.
  Fee-based: Kindergarten, first grade and second grade extended day; third grade homework help; instrumental music, visual art (grades 3-5), and more. Scholarships available for fee-based programs.

West Zone Early Learning Center
K0-Grade 1
Jean Larrabee, Principal
200 Heath St., Jamaica Plain 02130
617-635-8275
Our focus is to create learning opportunities that will increase students written and oral language that will enable them to become college and career ready.

Special Features:
• Environmental Science teacher and curriculum aligned with STEM with programs for families to engage in learning with their child.
• Full time professional Music Instruction including use of instruments.
• Highly qualified Paraprofessionals, most with colleges degrees.
• Frequent visits to community resources and museums provide opportunities to learn and make connections to curriculum outside of the classroom.
• Community field coordinator.
• Surround care with swimming, science, gardening and Family Science days.
• Teachers trained in Reading Recovery, Leveled Literacy Intervention, Open Circle, Project Read, CPI, First Aid/CPRLead.
• Teachers have certifications in Early Childhood, ESL, Special Education, Reading, National Board Early Childhood, Music, and Science.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
• Special Education: Integrated Early Childhood classrooms
• Inclusion school: students in general education and special education learn together

Before and after school programs in our building:
• Before school: 7:30 breakfast followed by center activities and small group time.
• After school: Free surround care until 4:35 p.m. with enrichment activities, such as swimming, yoga, tennis, science, and trips to the local library and community resources.
Winship Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Monakatellia Ford, Principal
54 Dighton St., Brighton 02135
617-635-8399
Our mission is to provide students with rigorous educational and enrichment experiences through STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math). We are committed to celebrating the diversity of our community in order to foster student growth.

Special Features:
- Accredited by the NAEYC.
- Strong reading and math intervention program to meet individual students’ needs.
- On-site counseling services provided by staff from Franciscan Hospital for Children.
- City Connects partnership, linking school and families to community resources.
- Big Brother and Big Sister program that pairs our students with college students for recreational and weekend activities.
- Strong support for second language learners and their families (Project Alerta, ESL classes for parents).
- Student teachers from Boston College, Boston University, and Northeastern University.
- Tutors who help teachers and students individually and in small groups.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Special Education: K0/K1 Early Childhood classroom; K2 and grade 1 Primary Transition program.
- English Learners: Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) K1 classroom.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school: from 7:30 a.m. program provided by the YMCA for ages 4 and older (some scholarships available); BOKS fitness (free).
- After school: YMCA-run program until 6:00 p.m. for ages 4 and older (Access grants, vouchers, and scholarships available); Playworks active play for grades 4-5; Project ALERTA program for English Learners in grades 3-5; BU Making Music; Girl Scouts; Strong Women, Strong Girls.

K-8 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Edison K-8 School.

Winthrop Elementary School
K1-Grade 5
Leah Blake McKetty, Principal
35 Brookford St., Dorchester 02125
617-635-8379
The Winthrop Elementary School is a small elementary school. We strive to have positive home-school relationships with every Winthrop family and have staff dedicated to see our students succeed. Our families are our partners and together, we can assure that every child is well-prepared for the future after his/her time at the Winthrop School.

Special Features:
- Open Circle Social Competency Curriculum.
- Strong partnership with Boston College and membership in 5-college STEP UP program.
- Incredible Partnerships.
- Many activities to engage parents, including Curriculum Nights, weekend family field trips, classroom and school-wide newsletters, take-home math games, and take-home videos of lessons.
- A part-time counselor who works with individuals and small groups of students.
- Additional school partners: Boston College, Wheelock College, and YMCA Central Branch.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school from 7:15-8:10 a.m.: enrichment programs:
  - Before school: 7:15-8:10 a.m. daily: programming through our partnership with the YMCA for a small fee.
  - After school until 6:00 p.m. daily: programming run by YMCA offering homework help and enrichment activities (sliding fee scale, vouchers accepted); City Year after school programming; Starfish; enrichment clubs, including martial arts, dance, art, science.

K-12 Pathway: Guaranteed assignment to grade 6 at the Dearborn STEM Academy.

Young Achievers Science & Mathematics K-8 School
K0-Grade 8
Sean Guthrie, Principal
20 Outlook Rd., Mattapan 02126
617-635-6804
Our school’s unique focus is science and mathematics. We strive to make student learning opportunities come alive, making use of community resources and partners.

Special Features:
- Small classes 18-20 students, with 1-2 adults in each classroom.
- FCOC facilitates family involvement in governance and the school community.
- Full Service Community School that actively partners with community agencies.
- Active wellness initiative.
- Home visits to each new kindergarten and first grade family.
- Homework help and tutoring support.
- Acceleration Academy during February (ELA) and April (Math) vacations.
- Music, Art, PE, Chess, Martial Arts, Dance.

English Learner & Special Education programs:
- Special Education inclusion program K-8; Learning Adaptive Behavior (LAB) program grades 6-8.
- Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) Spanish program for grades K1-4.

Before and after school programs in our building:
- Before school from 7:00-8:15 a.m.: enrichment program run by our Extended Learning and Enrichment Program staff.
- After school: grades K-5 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. science, enrichment, tutoring and homework help; grades 6-8 Golden Knights Academies; grades 6-8 Monday-Thursday from 4:15-6:30 p.m. intensive tutoring and homework help program for students in grades 6-8 run by City Year; Cheerleading; Interscholastic athletics including football, basketball (boys and girls), soccer, track; Harlem Lacrosse Boys team.
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English Learner Programs:
- English Learners enrolled in all Boston Public Schools are entitled to ESL services and sheltered content instruction.
- **SEI:** Sheltered English Immersion
- **SLIFE:** Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education
- **DL:** Dual Language
  - **C** Chinese
  - **K** Cape Verdean
  - **M** Multilingual
  - **H** Haitian Creole
  - **S** Spanish
  - **V** Vietnamese

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- + serves all students admitted through the lottery or special admissions process

### HIGH SCHOOL PROFILES

Included with each High School Profile, pages 48-85, are graphs detailing Enrollment & Attendance; 2017 MCAS results in English Language Arts, Math, and Science; High School Graduation results; College Success; and State Accountability Level.

- For the most current information on your school choices, please visit our website or call any Welcome Center, listed on page 3.

### Understanding State and Accountability Results

The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) uses standardized test performance, as well as graduation/drop-out information, to determine a school's level, in comparison to the performance of other schools statewide. **No Level** means students in a school participated in 2017 Next Generation MCAS tests. Current State accountability information is available at [www.doe.mass.edu](http://www.doe.mass.edu).

**MCAS** is given in various grades in English Language Arts (ELA), math, and science. ELA tests reading comprehension and composition. MCAS is designed to determine the performance levels of students and schools in these subjects. There are four performance levels for students:

- **Advanced:** Students demonstrate in-depth understanding of rigorous subject matter and provide sophisticated solutions to complex problems.
- **Proficient:** Students demonstrate a solid understanding of challenging subject matter and can solve a wide variety of problems.
- **Needs Improvement:** Students demonstrate a partial understanding of subject matter and can solve some simple problems.
- **Failing:** Students demonstrate little understanding of subject matter and do not solve simple problems.

**Accountability.** The **proficiency gap** is the distance between a group's current proficiency level and 100 percent proficiency.

The state measures the progress of districts and schools for all students and up to 11 student subgroups. The "high needs" subgroup includes all students with disabilities, English learners (EL), former EL students, and low-income students.

All Massachusetts schools and districts with sufficient data are classified into one of five **accountability and assistance levels.** A school's level is determined in comparison to all schools serving the same grade span in the state. The highest performing schools are Level 1 and lowest performing are Level 5. The level is determined as follows:

- **Level 1:** Meeting gap narrowing goals (for all students and high needs students). Level 1 schools that are exceptionally high achieving, high growth and gap narrowing are named Commendation Schools.
- **Level 2:** Not meeting gap narrowing goals (for all and/or high needs students); or low MCAS participation rate
- **Level 3:** Lowest performing 20% of schools (including lowest performing subgroups); or persistently low graduation rates or very low MCAS participation rate
- **Level 4:** Lowest performing Level 3 schools
- **Level 5:** Chronically under performing schools.

Visit [www.mass.gov](http://www.mass.gov) and click on "education" to learn more.

**NOTE:** Schools that are very small, are new schools, or are schools that were substantially reorganized, are labeled with "Insufficient data." Visiting these schools is the best way to get a complete view of what that school has to offer.
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ACC is a college preparatory high school for highly motivated students who want to attend four-year colleges or universities. We are a small pilot school with rigorous academic standards as well as a caring and energetic staff who fully support students and give them the individual attention they deserve. All of our students participate in college readiness activities and have a weekly advisory with their guidance counselor.

**Special Features**

- A pilot school and small school of 250 students, with personalized academic support.
- Excellent college admissions record: College acceptance is a graduation requirement.
- Caring, energetic staff (including five Boston Teachers of the Year).
- Major focus on analytical reading and writing skills.
- Close personal contact with parents.
- Opportunity for seniors to take college classes for credit.
- School partners: Harvard University, BUILD entrepreneurship program, UMASS Writing Center.
- National Honors Society, Social Justice, Service Learning, and Debate Program.
- Intrepid Program: Outward Bound Expeditionary Program for Juniors.
- Arts: Visual and theater arts electives offered.
- Robotics and Engineering: electives and team.
- Rigorous college preparatory curriculum.
- High level of support from faculty.
- Major focus: analytical reading and writing.
- More reading assigned than most other high schools.
- More writing assigned than most other high schools.
- After school homework help available until 5 p.m.
- College exploration at every grade level.
The faculty and staff’s commitment and dedication to the students of Brighton High give students the personalized focus of a small school while at the same time providing the advantages of a large school, including Advanced Placement courses, strong athletics programs, and extracurricular academic enrichment programs.

**Special Features**
- Focus on preparing all students for post-secondary opportunities; we have a full-time Director of Work-Based Learning to help students find exciting internship opportunities.
- Advanced Placement courses in Language and Composition, Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, Calculus, Human Geography, Psychology, and Biology.
- SAT preparation during the day and after school through Boston College’s Let’s Get Ready Program.
- Brand new Alternative Competency-Based Education for Scholars (ACES) Program for students who need an individualized learning environment.
- More than $3,000,000 in scholarships available to BHS students.
- MCAS tutoring and enrichment available after school with the PULSE Program.
- Championship level athletic teams in 18 sports.
- Accelerated pathway to graduation for English Language Learners.
- Boston College, Boston University, and Summer Search College Access Programs.
- Specialized Social Emotional and Academic Learning (SEAL) Program for students who need additional structure and support.
- College and Career Pathway Programs.
- MCAS/SAT Preparation and after school tutoring
- Nurturing and dedicated faculty and staff.
- Outstanding debate team.
- Successful robotics team (USFirst Competitor).
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Burke High School offers unique small communities identified as academies for each grade level. Personalized learning in longer teaching blocks within these specialized academies leads to strong and meaningful student-teacher relationships. Solid partnerships support academic and enrichment programs. Innovative teaching practices are in place. The workshop model is used in every classroom as the model of instruction with a focus on scaffolding and differentiation. Student learning is optimized in smaller class sizes with more than one adult in most cases. The school offers transformational opportunities for students, including travel to other states and countries, college visits, retreats, and overnight camping trips.

**Special Features**
- Rigorous academic program: school-wide instructional focus on literacy across the curriculum using AVID strategies.
- State-of-the-art facilities, including library and technology; completely renovated in 2008.
- Above average attendance among high schools.
- PULSE, Debate Team, BARK Room, Credit Recovery after school program including SAT and MCAS test preparation.
- College and Career Center with a Boston Private Industry Council full-time career specialist.
- Family-friendly environment, with a Family Center staffed with a Coordinator to support school-parent partnerships, parent information, and outreach.
- Student support services: guidance, health center, counseling, adolescent parenting, and financial aid assistance.
- Technology Pathway supported by BFIT.
- Active partnership with UMass Boston, providing Urban Scholars and Project Reach.
- Active partnership with Quincy College and Regis College to create a Nursing Pathways.
- Active partnership with Boston Collegiate Charter and Cristo Rey Boston College Preparatory Comprehensive High School.
- Focus on Instruction - Diplomas Now.
- Freshman, Sophomore and Upper Academies.
- BTR trained cohort of teachers.
- AVID & Ignition mentoring program.
Charlestown High School is an inspiring and diverse school that welcomes all students. Our Career Pathways in Business and Technology are a special feature allowing students to earn up to 30 college credits from Bunker Hill Community College. We have a unique college focus with AP classes and strong student support.

Special Features

- A strong teaching staff with a special commitment to working with a diverse population of students and supporting students for success in rigorous academic work.
- New Information Technology Career Pathway that prepares students for 21st century careers.
- Small Learning Communities which create a small-school atmosphere with large-school opportunities.
- Electives focused around the visual and performing arts, including Band, Chorus, Dance, and Visual Arts.
- A 9th and 10th grade focus on success in the MCAS.
- SAT preparation programs for the 11th and 12th grades.
- Strong college partnerships; a focus on preparation for higher education and a strong record of acceptance at four-year colleges and universities.
- 19 interscholastic athletic teams supported by the Boston Scholar Athlete Zone for study halls and student support.
- Advanced Placement Courses and exciting electives like Arabic, Engineering, and Forensic Science.
- Diploma Plus program for over-age and under-credited students so they can graduate on time and find postsecondary success.
- Boston University’s Math Upward Bound, a rigorous college preparatory program and the BUILD entrepreneurship program offer extra support for our students.
- Liberty Mutual Math Excellence program offers college scholarships to students in grades 9 to 12.
- Many after school programs, clubs, and special activities—everything from Bowling to Eurotrip!
- Small Learning Community (SLC) structure.
- Our “Focus on College” Approach.
- Diverse Special Education Department.
- EL for Chinese- and Spanish-speaking students.

MCAS 2017

- ELA: 62% Proficient, 16% Advanced
- Math: 32% Proficient, 20% Advanced
- Science: 52% Proficient, 24% Advanced

State Accountability Level

- Highest: 51%
- Lowest: 1%

College Success

- Graduation Rate 2015: 66%
- Graduation Rate 2009: 29%
Community Academy of Science & Health (CASH)
11 Charles St., Dorchester 02122
Robin Lee, Headmaster
617-635-8950 • bostonpublicschools.org/cash

CASH is a small, college-prep high school. Our mission is to prepare students from diverse backgrounds to pursue advanced studies and careers in the fields of science and health. The student’s voice is critical in the development, implementation, and review of our practices. Community partners offer internships and career opportunities for the integration of our school’s theme. CASH’s diverse population provides an infusion of well-prepared, multilingual young adults into the fields of science and health. Courses offered by CASH and partnering universities support academic rigor to prepare students to exceed the standards.

Special Features
• Highly qualified staff committed to all students learning at higher levels.
• Pathways to Prosperity dual enrollment/early college access program, internships and school-to-career opportunities.
• School-based college fairs and visits to local colleges that emphasize science and health careers paths.
• Model UN, buildON, BUILD, Med Science Program with Harvard University.
• Tech Goes Home: students and parents take computer classes together and receive a no-interest loan to buy a computer.
• 55-minute instructional blocks in all subjects.
• 6 Advanced Placement courses.
• Many “extras” including health and wellness seminars, athletic programs, extracurricular activities, and extended day academic enrichment.
• Support from school and community support coordinators.
• Boston University Upward Bound Program.
• Expectation: Academic Excellence.
• AVID Program.
• Community Learning Center for ELs.
• Sankofa Program for at-risk males.

MCAS Key: Advanced Proficient Needs Improvement Fail

State Accountability Level

Enrollment & Attendance
- Race/Ethnicity
  - Economically Disadvantaged 67%
  - Students with Disabilities 36%
  - English Learners 31%
  - Attendance Rate 87%

MCAS 2017
- ELA: 67%
- Math: 26%
- Science: 23%
- 4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016): 76%

College Success
- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 53%
- 2009 graduates who completed college: 32%
Dearborn STEM Academy (6-12)
2017-2018 location: 60 Washington St., Dorchester 02124 / 2018-2019 location: 35 Greenville St., Roxbury 02119
Lisa Gilbert-Smith, Headmaster
617-635-8412  • dearbornacademy.org

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**Special Features**

- STEM Approach: All students will develop a basic understanding of the language, concepts, and ideas that are pervasive across all STEM fields; graduate with a robust awareness of STEM disciplines, jobs and career paths; and identify their STEM interests and identities.
- Computer Science in every grade; all Dearborn students learn to code.
- Curriculum that is hands-on, team oriented, rooted in problem solving, and modeled after professional work projects and tasks.
- Individualized learning plans for every student.
- Students graduate with a career plan that takes them to the right post-secondary education/training option and to the profession of their choice.
- College exploration and preparation, with dedicated guidance counselors, college visits, college fairs, panels with college students, and more.
- Internships, workplace learning and summer job opportunities for high school students.
- 60 minutes of extended learning time every day, two-hour block of after-school time is designated for academic support and enrichment for students who need or want it.
- Girls and boys high school soccer at Jeremiah Burke Track and Field
- BUILD Boston, Robotics club, Peer Health Exchange, Discovering Justice, and Boxing club.

**4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)**
- No Data

**College Success**
- No Data

**MCAS 2017**

- ELA: 38% Advanced, 46% Proficient, 14% Needs Improvement, 3% Fail
- Math: 35% Advanced, 27% Proficient, 14% Needs Improvement, 6% Fail
- Science: 51% Advanced, 29% Proficient, 14% Needs Improvement, 6% Fail

**State Accountability Level**

- Enrollment & Attendance:
  - Race/Ethnicity:
    - Economically Disadvantaged: 62%
    - Students with Disabilities: 13%
    - English Learners: 48%
    - Attendance Rate: 92%
  - MCAS Key: Advanced, Proficient, Needs Improvement, Fail
  - African American, Asian, Hispanic, White, Other

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- College exploration and preparation, with dedicated guidance counselors, college visits, college fairs, panels with college students, and more.
- Internships, workplace learning and summer job opportunities for high school students.
- 60 minutes of extended learning time every day, two-hour block of after-school time is designated for academic support and enrichment for students who need or want it.
- Girls and boys high school soccer at Jeremiah Burke Track and Field
- BUILD Boston, Robotics club, Peer Health Exchange, Discovering Justice, and Boxing club.
Dorchester Academy students have an opportunity to choose from a variety of college and career pathways that include Business, Finance, Economics, and Marketing; and Visual, Creative, and Performing Arts. All pathways ensure that graduates are college-ready. Our signature courses, with their emphasis on citizenship, financial literacy, and employability skills, are essential to our mission. Students may choose to participate in AVID, an intensive college preparation program that provides student mentoring. We also offer dual enrollment in local colleges and universities so that eligible students can earn college credit.

Special Features
- AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination): A college readiness program for student achievement.
- BSA: An SAT Prep program with a college readiness component.
- Emerging Leaders program: A student leadership group and counsel.
- Arts program: Features Visual Arts; Theater Arts; and Media Arts.
- Business and Entrepreneur program: Features TJX’s Youth Business Institute.
- Thriving Athletics Department: Football, Basketball, Baseball, Volleyball, Soccer, Cheerleading, Softball, Wrestling, Track - Indoor/Outdoor.
- Student-Athlete Study and Support Center: Boston Scholar Athlete (BSA) Bear Zone.
- Homework Center: Support Students who want (or need) extra help doing and understanding homework.
- Special Education Departments - Inclusion Model of Education.
- On-Site Family and Community Engagement Center.
- School Site Council and Parent Council.
- Honor Society - Advanced Honor’s Program.
We are a PULSE supported site, providing after school tutoring for freshmen. We are an AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) School, providing supports to students who may be below honor roll but have their sights set on college. Our students have participated in the Wheelock College Upward Bound, the Harvard Crimson Summer Academy, and the Dartmouth SEAD (Summer Enrichment at Dartmouth) program. We also offer a SAT Prep program with a college readiness component, Teen's Connect Program with a career readiness component, and the Boston Scholar Athlete Program (BSA), a student-athlete advisory and support center.

Special Features
- Our motto: Class, Pride, and Tradition.
- 30 mobile computer labs.
- Library/Media Center with 25 new computers.
- Advanced Placement and honors courses.
- Electives in Academy of Management, Academy of Health/Human Services, Media, Visual Arts, Chorus, and JROTC.
- School-wide focus on literacy.
- Winner of Entrepreneurship Student Distinction Award, MGH Partnership Initiative, and Verizon Hispanic Heritage Award.
- Accredited by the New England Association of Schools & Colleges (NEASC).
- Our Grade 9 Academy provides extra supports and tutoring through on-site resources and outside agencies.
- Academic Awards Ceremonies (by term) and Annual Scholarship and Awards Banquet.
- On-site Parent Involvement Center to help parents understand the school’s curriculum, policies, and assessments.
- MCAS, PSAT, and SAT tutoring, plus extra support for students in grades 11 and 12 who have not yet passed MCAS, including before and after school tutoring and a staff mentor.
- School partners: Massachusetts General Hospital, Higher Education Collaborative, EB Youth Workers Task Force, Massport, Boston Hotels, and the Benjamin Franklin Institute.
The English High School
144 McBride St., Jamaica Plain 02130
A. Freda Johnson, Headmaster
617-635-8979 • englishhs.org

The English High School offers students a wide selection of Advance Placement and Media Arts courses, championship winning baseball and volleyball teams, and an engaged alumni association. In addition, students entering Grade 9 will embark on a journey to understand their unique interests, perspectives, and learning styles with each student developing an individual educational and career plan. They will have the opportunity to explore careers in:

- Business/Finance/Entrepreneurship.
- Computer Programming/Robotics.
- Graphic Communications/Broadcasting and the Arts.
- Health and Wellness/Fitness.
- Protective Services.

**Special Features.**

- Our wonderful staff and faculty are committed to student development and academic success.
- The oldest public high school in the United States, founded in 1821.
- Technical Pathways where students earn industry recognized credentials and certifications.
- Advanced Placement courses in English, Chemistry, and Spanish.
- Comprehensive English Learning (EL) program that includes literacy courses in Spanish.
- Student Support Team that provides academic assistance and counseling.
- School partners, including, Boston Scholar Athletes, Private Industry Council, City Year, Communities in School, Write Boston, Passport to College, uAspire, Summer Search and Upward Bound.
- Extensive extra curricular programs, musical productions, sports, debate league, homework help and many others.
- Walking distance to Forest Hills and Green Street stations on the Orange Line and to bus number 42.
- Academic planning with every student.
- Currently, we have six period days.
- We offer a variety of clubs, sports, and after school programs.
- There is an active alumni association.

Enrollment & Attendance

- Race/Ethnicity
  - African American
  - Asian
  - Hispanic
  - White
  - Other
- Economically Disadvantaged 65%
- Students with Disabilities 20%
- English Learners 38%
- Attendance Rate 89%

4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)

- Graduated 59%
- Still in School 11%
- GED 1%

College Success

- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college 57%
- 2009 graduates who completed college 28%

MCAS Key: Advanced Proficient Needs Improvement Fail

- Highest
- Lowest

State Accountability Level

MCAS 2017

- ELA 11% 17% 28%
- Math 16% 29% 26%
- Science 16% 25% 55%

- Highest
- Lowest
Excel High School
South Boston Education Complex
95 G St., South Boston 02127
Renee McCall, Headmaster
617-635-9870 • excellhigh.org

Excel High School is a mid-size college preparatory high school that fosters high academic achievement and creative expression in a safe and supportive learning environment. We believe diversity is our strength and everything we do is guided by our core values of Respect, Responsibility, Citizenship, and Grit. More than 50% of our teachers have two teaching licenses, one in their subject area and the other in either special education or English as a Second Language (ESL). Last year, 100% of our seniors were accepted into a 2- or 4-year college or post secondary program. Collectively, they were awarded more than three million dollars in merit scholarships and grants.

Special Features
• Advanced Placement and dual-enrollment courses in English Language Arts, math, the sciences, psychology, and history.
• Students have two World Language options: French or Spanish.
• Courses such as visual arts, creative writing, journalism, computer science, and engineering design.
• Courses and internships in STEM related fields.
• 1st Place - Individual, 3rd Place - Team, and Honorable Mention - Individual at BPS 2015 Citywide Science Fair.
• Technology courses including Microsoft Office, web design, webmaster, and computer science.
• Multiple computer labs, mobile labs that travel to classrooms, and iPads.
• Internships at many Boston businesses and organizations including the Federal Reserve Bank and Vertex Pharmaceuticals.
• After school opportunities: Athletics, Boston Scholar Athlete Zone, Homework Club, MCAS prep, Debate League, buildOn, Environmental Club, Mu Alpha Theta, National Honors Society, Art Club.
• Full time Family and Student Engagement Coordinator who coordinates student and parent leadership councils.
• In-house Course Recovery Program, an opportunity for juniors and seniors to make up failed courses after school in order to graduate.
• Science Fair Mentoring Program with scientists from Vertex Pharmaceuticals.
• AVID - College Preparatory System.
• JROTC.
• Homework Helpers for grades 9 and 10.
• Zumba And Urban Dance classes

MCAS Key: Advanced Proficient Needs Improvement Fail

MCAS 2017
Science
ELA
Math

Enrollment & Attendance
Race/Ethnicity
Economically Disadvantaged 65%
Students with Disabilities 27%
English Learners 30%
Attendance Rate 86%
African American Hispanic Asian White Other

4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)
Graduated Still in School GED
66% 13% 2%

College Success

State Accountability Level
Highest 2 3 4 5 Lowest

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At the Henderson, staff members collaborate to ensure the success of every student. We plan and instruct using the Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Framework, and focus on enabling access to the curriculum for every student. All students receive high-quality and rigorous instruction through a co-teaching model in the core content areas of ELA, Math, and Science. We seek to find ways to engage our learners to create a lifelong love of learning. We prepare our students for educational success by delivering rigorous instruction through a station teaching, small group model. We monitor student progress every 6 weeks and create action plans to ensure success for every student.

**Special Features**
- Boston’s only fully inclusive K-12 school.
- Students involved in general education, students with disabilities, and students considered talented and gifted learn together and from each other.
- Teachers and support staff team to help children learn and succeed.
- We offer a comprehensive curriculum with enriched arts experiences.
- Support and enrichment are provided based on individual students’ needs.
- Therapies provided in natural setting of classroom.
- Small class size (average class size is 22 students).
- Rigorous, standards-based instruction.
- State of the art technology in every classroom.
- Unparalleled parental involvement.
- The most up-to-date textbooks and supplementary materials.
- Data-driven instructional model.
- Innovation School.
- Distinctive Partnerships with local colleges such as UMASS Boston, Dr. Henderson Inclusion Elementary School, and Neighborhood House Charter School.
- Co-teaching in all core content classes.
- Vibrant arts program.
The Mary Lyon Pilot High School is committed to provide a fully inclusive learning environment where conditions are changed or created to enable general education students and students with disabilities to maximize their potentials. We endeavor to support all students so that they are able meet or exceed the academic standards and develop skills to be competent in their everyday life. The instructional practice at the Mary Lyon Pilot High School is to educate each student as a unique individual ready to meet the challenges of an increasingly diverse and global community.

**Special Features**

- Staff, students, and families work collaboratively to provide the necessary support for academic, social, and emotional growth.
- Our students learn strategies to solve problems individually and as members of a team.
- We promote active citizenship through volunteering, internship programs, and community events.
- Full inclusive education.
- Small class size (20 students per class).
- College preparatory curriculum.
- Use of SMART Board as regular instructional tool.
- Competency-based education and grading.
- Use of Jump Rope software to capture progress toward mastery.
- PSAT and SAT Prep classes.
- Highly qualified teachers: All teachers hold Master’s degrees and are dually licensed in content area and special education.
- School partners: Walker Home and School and Boston College.
- Co-teaching model.
- Assessments include electronic portfolio.

**Enrollment & Attendance**

- Race/Ethnicity:
  - Economically Disadvantaged: 49%
  - Students with Disabilities: 41%
  - English Learners: 10%
  - Other: 6%
- Attendance Rate: 84%

**MCAS 2017**

- **Science**
  - Advanced: 14%
  - Proficient: 30%
  - Needs Improvement: 25%
  - Fail: 34%

- **ELA**
  - Advanced: 14%
  - Proficient: 6%
  - Needs Improvement: 34%
  - Fail: 5%

- **Math**
  - Advanced: 14%
  - Proficient: 6%
  - Needs Improvement: 34%
  - Fail: 5%

- **Science**
  - Advanced: 23%
  - Proficient: 18%
  - Needs Improvement: 5%
  - Fail: 5%

**College Success**

- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 55%
- 2008 graduates who completed college: 75%

**State Accountability Level**

- Highest: 5
- Lowest: 1

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Madison Park Technical Vocational High School
75 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury 02120
Kevin McCaskill, Executive Director
617-635-8970 • bostonpublicschools.org/madisonpark

The mission of the Madison Park Technical Vocational High School is to provide our students with rigorous academic and technical educational programs. Our programs foster the character necessary to further pursue and succeed in postsecondary and career opportunities. We want all of our students to become productive citizens.

Special Features
- Boston's ONLY career and technical high school.
- 19 Chapter 74-approved technical vocational programs.
- Standards-based academic and career programs.
- Three career focused departments.
- Opportunity for all students to earn college credits and industry credentials.
- Industry co-ops, shadow-ships, and clinicals to develop career skills.
- Member of SkillsUSA, a partnership of students, teachers and industry working together to ensure America has a skilled workforce.
- 100% of students in Nursing Assistant Program receiving Nursing Assistant licensure by the Mass. Red Cross, 2007.
- Member of the National Honor Society.
- OSHA 10-certified in all career programs.
- Dual enrollment opportunities with local area colleges.
- Advanced Placement for Juniors and Seniors.
- Ninth Grade Career Exploratory Program.
- Entrepreneurship Opportunities.
- Admission into grades 11 and 12 require an interview to determine fit and availability.

Enrollment & Attendance
- Race/Ethnicity
  - Economically Disadvantaged: 68%
  - Students with Disabilities: 35%
  - English Learners: 34%
  - Attendance Rate: 86%
- African American: 54%
- Hispanic: 13%
- Asian: 6%
- White: 29%
- Other: 1%

MCAS 2017
- ELA: 53%
- Math: 28%
- Science: 55%

4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)
- Graduated: 59%
- Still in School: 19%
- GED: 2%

College Success
- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 47%
- 2009 graduates who completed college: 20%
The Margarita Muñiz Academy is Boston Public School’s first dual-language high school! Muñiz Academy opened in 2013 and recently graduated their first founding class of 9th graders. We are a school dedicated to preparing citizens and leaders who are fluent in English and Spanish. Every student will be ready for college and contribute to the community and beyond.

**Special Features**
- Challenging, culturally relevant, and college preparatory curriculum.
- Open to all Boston students through the BPS assignment system.
- Opportunities to compete for Muñiz Academy College.
- Many opportunities to engage families.
- Electives and internships geared towards college and career readiness, arts, computer sciences, and/or a third language.
- An Innovation School, with greater flexibility than regular district schools in the areas of budget, staffing, curriculum, and school year calendar to better meet the needs of students and families.
- Student-centered learning.
- Curriculum designed around inquiry projects.
- Internships and fieldwork.
- Extensive arts programs.
- Instrumental and choral work.
- Technology as a core tool for learning.
- Small class sizes.
- Competitive college scholarships.

**Enrollment & Attendance**
- Race/Ethnicity
  - Economically Disadvantaged: 64%
  - Students with Disabilities: 11%
  - English Learners: 51%
  - Attendance Rate: 94%

**MCAS 2017**
- ELA
  - Percentage of Students
    - Graduated: 93%
    - Still in School: 3%
    - GED: 3%
- Math
  - Percentage of HS Graduates
    - 2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 19%
    - 2009 graduates who completed college: 22%
- Science
  - Percentage of HS Graduates
    - 2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 11%
    - 2009 graduates who completed college: 25%

**College Success**
- No Data

**MCAS Key**: Advanced, Proficient, Needs Improvement, Fail

**State Accountability Level**
- Highest: 1
- Lowest: 5

**College Success**
- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college
- 2009 graduates who completed college

To see a full list of a school’s partner organizations, please visit partnerbps.org/locations
Quincy Upper School (Grades 6-12)
Grades 6-7: 900 Washington St., Boston 02111 • Grades 8-12: 152 Arlington St., Boston 02116
Richard Chang and Stephen Cirasuolo, Co-Headmasters
617-635-8940 • jqus.org

The Josiah Quincy Upper School offers the International Baccalaureate Program for ALL students grades 6-12, including the Arts and World Languages as core subjects, low-cost international travel opportunities, and after school and sports activities. Graduates matriculate into selective colleges, including Ivy League schools.

Special Features
- International Baccalaureate (IB) Programs.
- IB Diploma and Middle Years Programs.
- Theater arts, visual arts, dance, and music.
- Physical education in partnership with the Wang YMCA.
- Sports teams.
- Mandarin and Spanish language programs.
- After school enrichment programs.
- Teachers as leaders.
- Corporate partnerships.
- Community-based partnerships.
- Path finding and renewal focus.
- After school programs in our building: students are offered a choice of academic and non-academic courses.

MCAS 2017

Percentage of Students

Graduated: 87%
Still in School: 11%
GED: 2%

4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)

College Success

2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 76%
2009 graduates who completed college: 50%

No Level - participated in 2017 Next Generation MCAS tests
1: Highest, 5: Lowest

State Accountability Level
The Muriel S. Snowden International School is an International Baccalaureate World School with a demanding college preparatory curriculum and a focus on global studies. Snowden has additional graduation requirements including: four years of the same language (Japanese, Mandarin, Spanish, or French), Community Action Service, a senior research paper, and studies in International Relations. Students must earn a minimum grade of a C- in order to pass each course.

**Special Features**
- Global learning through student opportunities to travel and study internationally.
- Students can enroll in the challenging International Baccalaureate diploma program in grade 11 and 12. Students who pass all course work in this rigorous two-year program are awarded an IB diploma in addition to their Boston diploma. IB World Schools are found in six continents; the IB diploma is recognized by over 850 colleges and universities.
- International studies focus for all students.
- Requires 4 years of world language study, history, science and math.
- Requires community service hours.
- Promotes responsibility via open campus (classes held in three buildings).
- Promotes inquiry, critical thinking, risk-taking, inter-cultural understanding and respect.
- Many opportunities to engage families, including two parent-teacher conferences each year.
- After school support through Calderwood Writing Center and college tutors.
- First BPS school to graduate a IB Diploma earner.
- School Based Health Center.
TechBoston Academy (TBA) was founded in 2002 with the support of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. TBA offers a college preparatory curriculum where technology is the bridge that connects the student to their learning experience. All students are given access to technology in their classes. Students benefit from honors classes, Advanced Placement classes, and dual enrollment opportunities at local colleges. TechBoston Academy offers an extended day program that allows all students access to academic supports and extra-curricular activities.

Special Features
- Pilot 6-12 school with 1,000 students, offering a college preparatory curriculum with technology focus and interdisciplinary, project-based learning.
- Winner of many awards and recognitions, including Model Secondary School and Innovative High School awards from the Gates Foundation.
- Honors and Advanced Placement (AP) courses and dual enrollment opportunities.
- Full sports program and after school activities for all grades.
- Personalized learning and tutoring with teachers.
- Summer enrichment opportunities.
- Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) program (cluster and inclusion).
- Inclusion program for students with disabilities.
- College Center on site.
- Laptops and Chromebooks in every classroom.
- Advanced technology courses, including digital art, Adobe graphic design applications, computer programming, and robotics.
- After school programs in our building:
  - Extended day for all students that provides various academic supports.
  - Full sports program and after-school activities for all grades ranging from middle and high school football to craft club and music club with Berklee College students.
Urban Science Academy is a family-oriented school with a college preparatory curriculum and a focus on science, technology, humanities, and the arts.

**Special Features**

- Laptop computers and media technology.
- Our core values: high expectations, high support, collaboration, commitment, respect, community.
- Electives: instrumental music, chorus, PC repair, networking, psychology, debate, journalism, urban ecology, psychology, student leadership, yearbook, digital photography, PE/Health, visual arts, Earth science, forensics, AVID, Big History, wellness, theatre.
- Excellent facilities, with state-of-the-art science and computer labs, an outdoor classroom, and parks, rivers, hiking trails right outside our door, including a brand new $15 million outdoor sport and field complex.
- Internship opportunities and other support through our community partners.
- Strong after school program for all students with an array of clubs, sports, and tutorial offerings.
- Student leadership opportunities.
- Full inclusion school with co-teaching in grade 9 and 10 core classes, push-in support and academic resource centers available at all grade levels.
- Strong family and community engagement, supported by our full-time Family and Community Outreach Coordinator.

**MCAS 2017**

- **ELA**
  - Advanced: 4%
  - Proficient: 84%
  - Needs Improvement: 11%
  - Fail: 1%

- **Math**
  - Advanced: 12%
  - Proficient: 64%
  - Needs Improvement: 21%
  - Fail: 3%

- **Science**
  - Advanced: 28%
  - Proficient: 45%
  - Needs Improvement: 25%
  - Fail: 1%

**Enrollment & Attendance**

- Race/Ethnicity
  - African American: 36%
  - Asian: 1%
  - Hispanic: 8%
  - White: 51%
  - Other: 3%

- Economically Disadvantaged: 55%
- Students with Disabilities: 26%
- English Learners: 13%
- Attendance Rate: 86%

**4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)**

- Graduated: 70%
- Still in School: 18%
- GED: 1%

**College Success**

- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 57%
- 2009 graduates who completed college: 21%

**State Accountability Level**

- Highest: 1
- Lowest: 5

To see a full list of a school's partner organizations, please visit partnerbps.org/locations
West Roxbury Academy is committed to providing a rigorous curriculum with an emphasis on business, graphic arts, and marketing that helps to prepare students for college, careers, and service. We hope that our students will not only graduate with the necessary coursework to finish high school, but be able to navigate the constantly evolving 21st century workforce.

**Special Features**
- Rigorous curriculum emphasizing business, graphic arts and marketing to prepare students for college, careers, and service.
- Courses in marketing, economics, photography, TV production, computer technology and web design.
- Inclusion of English Language Learners and Special Education students in all courses and leadership activities.
- Internships, College Bound preparatory program, and dual enrollment in area colleges.
- Recognized by the National Honor Society.
- Many extracurricular activities, including varsity and junior varsity sports.
- Focus on building strong student leadership.
- Recipient of many grants and awards.
- Opportunities for travel in the U.S. and abroad.
- Partnership with Turner Broadcasting.
- Integrated usage of technology in classes.
- Theme based programs in business/visual arts.
- Swimming pool and weight training facility.

**Enrollment & Attendance**
- Race/Ethnicity
  - Economically Disadvantaged 60%
  - Students with Disabilities 21%
  - English Learners 26%
  - Attendance Rate 85%
- African American
- Hispanic
- White
- Asian
- Other

**4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)**
- 74% Graduated
- 14% Still in School
- 1% GED

**College Success**
- 63% of HS Graduates who enrolled in college
- No Data

**State Accountability Level**

1. Highest
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4. Lowest

**MCAS Key:**
- Advanced
- Proficient
- Needs Improvement
- Fail

**West Roxbury Academy**
West Roxbury Education Complex • 1205 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury 02132
Rudolph Weekes, Headmaster
617-635-8935 • bostonpublicschools.org/westroxbury

West Roxbury Academy is committed to providing a rigorous curriculum with an emphasis on business, graphic arts, and marketing that helps to prepare students for college, careers, and service. We hope that our students will not only graduate with the necessary coursework to finish high school, but be able to navigate the constantly evolving 21st century workforce.

**Special Features**
- Rigorous curriculum emphasizing business, graphic arts and marketing to prepare students for college, careers, and service.
- Courses in marketing, economics, photography, TV production, computer technology and web design.
- Inclusion of English Language Learners and Special Education students in all courses and leadership activities.
- Internships, College Bound preparatory program, and dual enrollment in area colleges.
- Recognized by the National Honor Society.
- Many extracurricular activities, including varsity and junior varsity sports.
- Focus on building strong student leadership.
- Recipient of many grants and awards.
- Opportunities for travel in the U.S. and abroad.
- Partnership with Turner Broadcasting.
- Integrated usage of technology in classes.
- Theme based programs in business/visual arts.
- Swimming pool and weight training facility.
Boston Adult Technical Academy (BATA) is an alternative high school for mature, motivated, young adults between the ages of 19-22. BATA is a community that values diversity, self-empowerment, accountability, and flexibility providing students with meaningful post-secondary opportunities. When our students leave BATA, we expect that they have learned confidence, language proficiency, and post-secondary skills so they can be confident leaders in their community and realize their goals.

**Special Features**
- An alternative High School for older students, ages 19–22.
- Grants a Boston Public High School diploma.
- Academic program in English language arts, math, science, and humanities.
- Computers in classrooms.
- Credit Recovery programs.
- Dual enrollment option in a Community College.
- Career Exploration program.
- Graduation Coaches.
- College and post secondary application assistance.
- Multi-lingual, ethnically diverse students.
- ESL and SEI content components.
- College and career post-secondary preparation.

**Special Admission Process**
- Students 19 years old must contact school for interview.
- Students 20-21½ years old are automatically assigned once registered with the Boston Public Schools.

**MCAS 2017**

**No Data**

**4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)**

- Graduated: 28%
- Still in School: 40%
- GED: 0%

**College Success**

- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 33%
- 2008 graduates who completed college: 33%

**Insufficient Data**

**State Accountability Level**

- Highest: 1
- Lowest: 5

To see a full list of a school’s partner organizations, please visit partnerbps.org/locations
Boston Arts Academy (BAA) is Boston's only public high school for the visual and performing arts. Our mission is to prepare a diverse community of aspiring artist-scholars-citizens to be successful in their college or professional careers, and to be engaged members of their communities. Boston Arts Academy seeks a student body that is passionate about the arts, works and learns together as a community, and reflects the diversity of the city of Boston. The admissions process is designed to give all students the opportunity to demonstrate their ability, potential, and commitment.

**Special Features**
- A collaborative project of BPS and the ProArts Consortium: Berklee, Boston Architectural College, Boston Conservatory, Emerson, MassArt, and the SMFA.
- High-level training for students in dance, fashion technology, music, theater, or visual arts in the context of a college preparatory curriculum.
- Individualized attention for each student by our experienced, award-winning staff.
- PSAT and SAT test prep classes.
- Success after graduation: Annually, an average of 94% of graduates accepted to college.
- First Boston Public School named an inclusion high school, offering comprehensive services to students with identified learning needs of all kinds.
- Dual enrollment available in partner colleges.
- Summer arts scholarships available.
- STEAM lab to integrate subjects in an inquiry-based, hands-on curriculum that more closely aligns with what students will experience in college and the workforce.
- Partnerships with ProArts and other institutions that provide resources and opportunities for our students.

**Special Admission Process**
- All interested students, at all levels of prior experience—from beginner to expert—are encouraged to apply: bostonartsacademy.org/admissions/admissions-overview-and-process. Special admission process, including an audition or presentation component.
- Application available online: bostonartsacademy.org/admissions/application.

**Enrollment & Attendance**
- Race/Ethnicity:
  - Economically Disadvantaged: 44%
  - Students with Disabilities: 13%
  - English Learners: 5%
  - Attendance Rate: 92%

**MCAS 2017**
- ELA:
  - Proficient: 32%
  - Needs Improvement: 63%
  - Fail: 5%

- Math:
  - Proficient: 33%
  - Needs Improvement: 38%
  - Fail: 8%

- Science:
  - Proficient: 54%
  - Needs Improvement: 40%
  - Fail: 5%

**College Success**
- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 78%
- 2009 graduates who completed college: 41%
BCLA offers a rigorous college preparatory program with college acceptance as a graduation requirement. Our pilot school focuses on developing future scholar leaders through community service learning and adherence to rigorous academic, social, and civic expectations. We meet every student at his/her level and prepare them to be successful in college. Courses include AP classes, world languages, and the arts. Students’ voices are valuable and inform our school practices and policies.

Special Features
- A pilot school with a college preparatory curriculum and community leadership theme.
- Academic requirements for all students: exhibitions, portfolio presentations, and structured community service learning through a Senior Capstone Project.
- Athletic program with New Mission High School.
- Personalized education including Advisory Program and Learning Support Team.
- Aim High Tutoring Program with Boston Partners in Education.
- Health: Partnership with Boston Medical and Home for Little Wanderers.
- Open House, Teacher Conferences, and support meetings.
- Mandatory college acceptance for graduation.
- After school programs for Grade 9.
- Authentic assessments through portfolios and exhibitions.
- Advisory class.
- Sports, clubs, student government, and National Honor Society.

Special Admission Process
- Call the school to schedule a tour and interview.

MCAS Key: Advanced Proficient Needs Improvement Fail

State Accountability Level

MCAS 2017

Enrollment & Attendance

- Race/Ethnicity
  - Economically Disadvantaged 56%
  - Students with Disabilities 22%
  - English Learners 25%
  - Attendance Rate 90%

- African American
- Asian
- Hispanic
- White
- Other

4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)

College Success

2015 graduates who enrolled in college
2008 graduates who completed college

82% 34%

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Special Admission Process
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MCAS Key: Advanced Proficient Needs Improvement Fail

State Accountability Level
BDEA is a student-centered, competency-based public charter high school. It serves any BPS student who is over-age for high school, who has had trouble with attendance issues, has been held back in eighth grade, who feels they are not getting the attention in class that they need to succeed, or who has dropped out but wants to return to school to earn their diploma.

Special Features
- Competency-based: students can graduate at one of four ceremonies held each year.
- A Horace Mann Charter School serving 380 “off-track” students in three programs: Day, Evening, or Distance Learning
- Personalized attention for all students, with supportive academic and enrichment programming, small student-teacher ratios, full time student support services, and counseling.
- Vibrant atmosphere for students who have not experienced success in other schools.
- Learning Lab staffed full time to help students catch up with missed work or accelerate their learning outside of the classroom.
- College and career courses (Internship and enrichment program) offered throughout the week.
- Support for strong home-school connections through advisory and student support team.
- Emphasis on student agency, including taking responsibility for their own education and personal growth.
- A Post Graduate Planning Center that involves students at enrollment in planning for life after high school.
- Strong partnerships with arts and community organizations that help support student learning and Habits of Success.
- Whole-school focus on strong relationships and listening to student “voice”.
- Supportive, trauma-sensitive, respectful, welcoming, non-judgmental, joyful culture and climate
- Wrap-around student support services
- Specialized in working with overage students
- Students maintain two organic urban gardens.

Special Admission Process with year-round admission
- The process begins with an application process. Call 617-635-6789, ext. 102 for details.
Founded in 2011, Boston Green Academy (BGA) is committed to providing students with a demanding, relevant curriculum, leadership experiences, and college and career exposure. We prepare them to tackle environmental, social, and economic issues through hands-on, student-centered learning experiences. We welcome students of all abilities – 30% of our students have special needs and 14% are English Language Learners. In the last five years, we have been one of the most improved schools in Boston Public Schools and all of Massachusetts; in that time we increased the graduation rate from 55% to 90% and the college-going rate from 44% to 88%.

Special Features
- Horace Mann Charter School.
- “Green” theme woven through all courses.
- Science courses including Physics, Biology, Chemistry and AP Environmental Science.
- Humanities courses that combine literacy and social studies.
- At least four AP course available and also dual enrollment with local colleges.
- Environmental Science career and technical education program starting in grade 9 resulting in employment certifications.
- Arts, sports, and entrepreneurship,clubs, SAT preparation, student government, internships, and after-school tutoring.
- College and career preparatory curriculum.
- Strong advisory and student support services.
- Great support for students with disabilities.
- Use of portfolios, projects and exhibitions.
- Numerous partnerships across the city.
- Project Week and Support & Enrichment courses.
- Full 6-12 school so students and families experience fewer transitions.

Special Admission Process
- As a Horace Mann Charter In-District School, Boston Green Academy is required to hold a lottery for admission that is separate from the Boston Public Schools normal admissions process. To apply to BGA, fill out the application at bostongreenacademy.org. Applications are due on 2/16/18 by 4:00 p.m.
- Enrollment by lottery; all students living in Boston are eligible to apply. Please fill out application at bostongreenacademy.org/apply

To see a full list of a school's partner organizations, please visit partnerbps.org/locations
Boston International Newcomers Academy (BINcA) is a Boston Public School that is specially designed and staffed to serve a diverse immigrant student community.

Vision statement: “We prepare our students to be empowered, contributing citizens in a global society through a journey of discovery and wonder. Our school community reflects the core values of advocacy, community, diversity and high expectations. We are a center of excellence in the education of English learners and a resource to others committed to this work.”

Special Features
- BINcA is a school focused on preparing immigrant students for college and career.
- High achieving, 100 percent EL school with 100 percent immigrant student population.
- Many of our teachers and staff members are immigrants themselves and serve as role models for our students.
- BINcA students get help finding part time jobs with a PIC Career Specialist who helps students find summer jobs and school year employment.
- BINcA has modern technology with a computer lab, computer carts, and technology used as a part of daily instruction.
- College application support.
- Well-rounded athletics programs.
- SAT preparation for 11th graders.
- Intensive ESL/ELA program for all students.
- Students represent over 25 countries.
- After school academic classes.
- Career and college counseling.
- Summer enrichment program
- Strong student and family support program

Special Admission Process
- Students are assigned based on results of an English language placement test. Please call the Newcomers Assessment & Counseling Center at 617-635-9010 about scheduling a test.
Boston Latin Academy has a one hundred and thirty-five-year history of academic excellence with an outstanding rate of college placement. We boast a seventh through twelfth-grade student body representing Boston's rich multicultural, multi-ethnic population and dedicated administrators and faculty who challenge and encourage students. The curriculum has been developed to ensure that all students are well prepared for success in college and in life. Students are encouraged to appreciate the ideas and practices expressed in the classics and to recognize the evolving continuum between them and the complex, ever-changing challenges of our society. While appreciating the classics, we also use data-based research to inform and re-imagine our curriculum as we strive to make it match our 21st century student body of engaged learners. We seek to challenge our students with a rigorous curriculum while, at the same time, providing them with the scaffolds to succeed.

**Special Features**

- Tradition of excellence and exclusivity since 1878.
- High standards of academic rigor in a nurturing environment.
- National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence.
- Named an Outstanding American High School by U.S.
- Outstanding record of college placement.
- Honors and Advanced Placement courses in all subjects.
- Dedicated faculty who challenge and encourage students.
- Exemplary peer tutoring program.
- Partnership with IBM.
- Academic rigor in a nurturing environment.
- Music, Art, and Theatre Arts programs.
- Outdoor classroom greenhouse.
- Competitive sports teams and clubs.
- Diverse student body.
- Peer tutoring program.
- Active parent organizations.
- Supportive alumni association.

**Special Admission Process**

- Admission is based entirely on a student's grades and test scores from the Independent Schools Entrance Exam (ISEE). (See page 12.)
- Examination school: Admission to grades 7 and 9.

**MCAS Key:**

- **Advanced**
- **Proficient**
- **Needs Improvement**
- **Fail**

**No Level** - participated in 2017 Next Generation MCAS tests

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**State Accountability Level**

- Highest
- Lowest
Boston Latin School, founded in 1635, is the oldest school in the United States. The Latin School serves an economically and culturally diverse population of students in grades 7 to 12. Boston Latin School seeks to ground its students in a contemporary classical education as preparation for successful college studies, responsible and engaged citizenship, and a rewarding life.

Special Features
- 2,450 students
- Challenging honors curriculum with 27 different Advanced Placement courses in addition to regular course offerings.
- Small Learning Communities for grades 7 and 8.
- School-based supports for students at all levels, as well as a strong partnership with Children’s Hospital to help students with emotional and social issues, and provide support for families and staff.
- Extraordinary, robust arts programming in and out of school: over half of student body participate in extensive choral and instrumental music or visual arts offerings.
- College acceptances: 99%.
- Extensive extracurricular, athletic, community service and artistic opportunities.
- Wide-ranging sports programming: 31 sports; 59 teams.
- Many active partnerships, including: Boston University, Children’s Hospital, Stewart Gardner Museum, the Boston Pops, and State Street Bank.

Special Admission Process
- Admission is based entirely on a student’s grades and test scores from the Independent Schools Entrance Exam (ISEE). (See page 12.)
- All students must take the ISEE and submit grades for English and Mathematics.
Community Academy is a small alternative high school in Jamaica Plain. We serve students who have not thrived in traditional settings. Our ratio of 15 students per teacher allows all students personal academic and social support. The small size creates a strong sense of community and allows parents to be active in their children’s education. Emphasis is on academic excellence, as reflected in rising MCAS scores, time dedicated to individual tutoring, and the variety of college prep courses offered. We support non-traditional students by offering a credit recovery, online program.

**Special Features**
- A small, alternative high school that serves students who do not thrive in a traditional classroom setting.
- Very small classes – we average 15 students or less.
- Before and after school support/tutoring.
- Individual advisors for each student.
- College counseling.
- College and MCAS prep classes.
- A focus on hands-on learning.
- Field trips, which include going to local colleges and college fairs.
- Positive and supportive adult-student interactions.
- Hands-on, individualized learning.
- Daily Advisory period.
- Credit Recovery opportunities.
- Counseling services.

**Special Admission Process**
- Students must either be assigned through the Alternative Education Department or get special approval from the headmaster to apply.
Our curriculum is designed to build students' skills and knowledge through tackling problems and projects the way successful adults - scientists, business people, social workers, etc. - tackle them. To ensure we are also preparing students for standardized testing and college admissions, we align our curriculum to the Common Core and standards set by national math and science organizations.

**Special Features**

- A national reputation and many awards for innovation and excellence.
- A diverse, respectful, community-spirited student/faculty population.
- An established set of teaching practices and school structures based on three core principles: intellectual challenge, personalized relationships, and collaborations with outside organizations.
- Proven academic success without academic admission requirements.
- Extensive use of portfolios, projects, and exhibitions.
- Ventures program, six-week internship program for all seniors.
- Student success: Recognized for success with young men of color and Latino students.
- Diverse, respectful, community-spirited students and faculty.
- Student group advisories: students form strong bonds with staff and classmates over four years together.
- School partners: Boston Museum of Science, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Emmanuel College, Facing History and Ourselves, Wentworth Institute, and Fisher College.
- SEI for Spanish speaking students.
- Recognized by the U. S. Department of Education as a Blue Ribbon School.
- School Dual Enrollment with Emmanuel College, Wentworth Institute, and Fisher College.
- One of first six original Boston Pilot schools.
- Girls' Basketball Team Division IV state champions.
- Strong advisory and student support.
- Project Week - week studying outside of classroom.
- Ventures program and senior internships.
- 90% of graduates enroll in college.
- Technology Goes Home program for families.

**Special Admission Process**

- Students must fill out application (download from website or call school). The application requires an essay, letters of recommendation, and school transcripts. After reviewing all applications, approximately 150 students and parents are invited to Fenway to meet with faculty and students in mid-March. From these 150, 100 students will be offered admission to Fenway.
Greater Egleston High School (GEHS) has a Scholar’s Academy for grades 10 and 11, College Prep Academy (CPA) for seniors, and an Online Learners Academy for overage students who need to work to support their families, students who are parents, and/or students who have medically related circumstances. The CPA includes a 10-week college immersion program. Our mission is to introduce students to potential careers by exploring and researching careers, selecting a career internship site, and developing skill sets within their career area of interest.

**Special Features**
- Emphasis on student-centered lessons, leadership, life skills, and collaborative learning.
- Use of diverse range of assessments including portfolios, small collaborative learning projects, exhibitions, individual class assignments, and MCAS.
- Family oriented events: Orientations, Student Recognition and Parent/Guardian Successful Partners Awards Ceremony, Governing Board participation.
- High percentage rate of college acceptance (90-100%) annually.
- Career Internships & Apprenticeships throughout Boston.
- School research projects, academic challenges, and after school programs.
- Instruction aligned with DESE (Common Core Standards), BPS, GEHS standards that promotes learning through critical thinking, research, and ability to articulate ideas.
- College level courses at GEHS and college campuses.
- College counseling and access to college application and enrollment resources.
- Instruction inclusive of diverse learners.
- Community service internships.
- Governing Board actively engaged in school.
- Research, academic challenges, clubs.
- College Readiness a priority for all students.

**Special Admission Process**
- Application for students 17 and older. Admission is based on an interview and selection process. Contact the school for information.
Edward M. Kennedy Academy for Health Careers
Grades 9-10: 10 Fenwood Rd., Boston 02115
Grades 11-12: 110 The Fenway, Boston 02115
Dr. Caren Walker Gregory, Headmaster
617-373-8576 • kennedyacademy.org

Kennedy Academy for Health Careers is a college preparatory and vocational high school for Boston students exploring careers in health and health-related professions. The Academy provides a supportive learning environment that promotes respect and embraces diversity. Students will attain the life skills needed to become productive and positive members of society.

Special Features
- School was renamed to honor the late Senator Edward M. Kennedy.
- A safe high school with a strong college preparatory curriculum focused on the health, math, English, world language, science, history, and technology courses.
- Students experience the college campus of Northeastern University.
- Students can use university science and computer labs, libraries, and other resources.
- A diverse and respectful place to learn, where students are committed to their own success and staff who believe in the potential of each student.
- 50% of the teaching staff are dual certified in content area and special education.
- 60% of the teaching staff received English Learners certification.
- Internships, community service, work experiences, and summer programs in health care settings.
- A Horace Mann Charter Public School, with special freedom to pursue innovative, challenging academic and extracurricular programming.
- Individual guidance and support for students about academic, personal, and social issues.
- National Honor Society, basketball, track, baseball/softball, Debate Team, Martial Arts, Flag Football, Drama Club, Student Council, yearbook, prom, social events, and field trips.
- Several staff members are National Board certified.

Special Admission Process
- Students must complete an application by deadline to be included in the lottery for enrollment. For more information and a copy of our application, visit the website.

Enrollment & Attendance
- Race/Ethnicity
  - Economically Disadvantaged: 54%
  - Students with Disabilities: 16%
  - English Learners: 14%
  - Attendance Rate: 91%

MCAS 2017
- ELA
  - Proficient: 32%
  - Needs Improvement: 11%

- Math
  - Proficient: 24%
  - Needs Improvement: 31%

- Science
  - Proficient: 50%
  - Needs Improvement: 47%

State Accountability Level
- Highest
- Lowest

College Success
- 4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)
  - Graduated: 87%
  - Still in School: 7%
  - GED: 1%

- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college: 82%
- 2009 graduates who completed college: 48%
A small college preparatory 7-12 school of 400 students and a dedicated faculty. We are the “exam school without the exam.” Our “Advanced Placement for All” strategy prepares all our graduates for 4-year colleges. We offer 9 AP courses, portfolio presentations, and a personalized college process guaranteed to get you in your college of choice.

**Special Features**
- A small school community focused on empowering our students to become self-directed, lifelong learners.
- Average class size: 22 students.
- College access courses: Students demonstrate their commitment to learning, habits of mind, and essential skills through portfolio presentations two times per year.
- Student success: 100% of grade 10 students passed the 2016 ELA and math MCAS.
- Electives such as Cracking the SAT, Criminal Justice, MCAS prep, and writing seminar that provide opportunities to develop math and writing skills.
- Offer personalized instructional delivery models to students with disabilities including but not limited to inclusion.
- After school Homework Academy, offering one-on-one help with teachers and tutors.
- Individual student advisors who carefully monitor the challenges and progress of each student
- Teacher Improvement and leadership through school wide collaboration in Cycles of Inquiry
- Senior Internship, community service, and senior defense required for graduation,
- College courses offered through Benjamin Franklin Institute, MassArt, RCC, Wentworth Institute, Wheelock College,
- Personalized programming.
- Portfolio presentations twice annually.
- Online grade access for families.
- Full inclusion for students with special needs.

**Special Admission Process**
- Timeline is aligned to the BPS Round One deadlines for our application process. Call or visit their website for more information.
Special Admissions H.S.

O’Bryant School of Mathematics and Science
55 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury 02120
Tanya Freeman Wisdom, Headmaster
617-635-9932 • obryant.us

The O’Bryant is the only exam school that mirrors the overall student population of BPS. We have a STEM focus with Engineering and Health Sciences pathways as well a broad array of Humanities courses. Our on-site programs include music, visual arts, NJROTC, and robotics with a modern laboratory.

Special Features

- College-preparatory exam school with high academic and social expectations.
- Diverse, supportive community of learners engaged in a rigorous curriculum.
- Emphasis on science, technology, engineering and mathematics integrated with humanities.
- Students in grades 7-12 clustered in small learning communities.
- Specialized academic programs: Roland Hayes School of Music, Visual Arts, and Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (NJROTC).
- High acceptance rate to universities and colleges, with many scholarship opportunities.
- College and Career Counseling Center, Family Center, Red Sox Scholar Athletics Program
- Blue Ribbon Award, Siemens Award for Advanced Placement, Mass Insight Vanguard Award for outstanding Advanced Placement program, Silver Medal from US News and World Report, “America’s Best High Schools”.
- Competitive athletic teams.
- Partners include: MIT, Harvard, Northeastern, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Colleges of the Fenway, and Microsoft.
- High quality instruction.
- Challenging curriculum.
- Diverse student body.
- High academic and social expectations.
- Safe, supportive learning environment.
- Strong athletic and music programs
- Specialized elective pathways in Health Sciences and Engineering.
- Enrichment and extracurricular activities.

Special Admission Process

- Admission is based entirely on a student’s grades and test scores from the Independent Schools Entrance Exam (ISEE).
Special Education Schools
These schools cannot be chosen through the regular assignment process. Students must be referred through a Special Education Evaluation Team meeting.

The Carter School
396 Northampton St., Boston 02118
Mark O’Connor, Principal
617-635-9832 • williamecarterschool.org

Our students who exhibit severe/profound cognitive delay, physical handicaps, and complex medical conditions, require total personal care. At our school, we implement a Transdisciplinary Model where teachers/therapists work on learning objectives together. Our school community is representative of many races and cultures. Our Outdoor Classroom Sensory Healing Garden adds to learning space, providing access to green activities and outdoor physical movement for our students.

Special Features
• Individualized, intensive special education program with a 5:3 student-to-staff ratio.
• Bilingual social worker and family liaison.
• Two full-time nurses.
• Transdisciplinary team approach.
• Available on-site therapies: physical therapy, occupational therapy, communication, behavior, vision, creative arts, and adaptive physical education.
• Aquatic therapy at Mass. Hospital School.
• Outdoor learning and recreation in our beautiful Sensory Garden, with wheelchair-accessible pathways and water features.
• Community experiences: Symphony, prom, Holiday Stroll.
• Motorized ceiling lifts, PT equipment.
• Centrally located behind Northeastern University at the Mass. Ave. Orange Line station.

Enrollment & Attendance

Race/Ethnicity
Economically Disadvantaged 76%
Students with Disabilities 100%
English Learners 31%
Attendance Rate 78%

African American
Asian
Hispanic
White
Other

MCAS 2017
No Data

4-Year HS Graduation Data (2016)
No Data

College Success
No Data

Insufficient Data

1 2 3 4 5
Highest
State Accountability Level
Lowest

To see a full list of a school’s partner organizations, please visit partnerbps.org/locations
As the oldest public day school for the Deaf in the U.S., the Horace Mann School remains unique by serving students, ages 3-22, in a comprehensive school that is addressing education reform. As a Premier School in the area of Deaf Education, the school is active in the latest instructional trends, providing opportunities during the school day to provide Professional Learning Communities for all faculty. Formative and summative assessment data is thoughtfully and individually analyzed for its instructional implications to ensure continuous student growth and achievement, as well as, academic standards accessibility.

**Special Features**

- Premier School for the Deaf with historical distinction.
- Individualized, personalized clinical and academic services for deaf and hard of hearing students in preschool through high school.
- Services for children with Cochlear implant technology.
- Mass General Hospital Pediatric Residency Site.
- Audiological and speech/language therapy.
- American Sign Language (ASL) instruction, Voice with sign support and oral only instruction.
- Connection Team psychological, social, clinical, and diagnostic services.
- Parent/infant outreach program for Deaf and hard of hearing, including ASL instruction for parents.
- Award winning staff, including Principal of the Year Ambassador in Education award from Metlife/National Civic League, 2006, and a Shattuck Award honoring outstanding service by a city employee.
- Widescreen Internet and digital video.
- Emergency Communications system in eight central locations throughout the school, classroom Visual PA.
- JM Smith Health Center, M.D. and N.P. on Campus-Part Time.
- Internship and clinical site for 25 graduate students from Boston University, Boston College, Lesley University, Emerson College, Harvard University, McDaniel College in Maryland, and San Diego State University in California.
- School partners: AllIM-International, Fidelity, ImageMax DataMax, Mass. Housing, Mellon Bank CORE, and IKON.
- Clinical and Academic Services.
- Regular education with mainstream options.
Special Education Schools
These schools cannot be chosen through the regular assignment process. Students must be referred through a Special Education Evaluation Team meeting.

McKinley Schools
Velesia Saunders, Headmaster
617-635-9976

McKinley Elementary
90 Warren Ave., Boston 02116
Christine Stella, Principal
617-635-9978

McKinley Middle
50 St. Mary St., Boston 02215
Joseph Brown, Principal
617-635-9853

McKinley Preparatory High
97 Peterborough St., Boston 02215
Anne De Barros Miller, Headmaster
617-635-9907

McKinley South End Academy
90 Warren Ave., Boston 02116
Christine Stella, Program Director
617-635-9976

Boston's McKinley Schools are four schools in one, providing special education for students in kindergarten through grade 12.

Special Features
- Focus on emotional, behavioral, and learning needs.
- Highly structured behavior management system.
- Intensive clinical supports.
- Full range of academic programs.
- All students assigned via Individualized Education Program (IEP) Team Meeting.
- Four Boston Educators of the Year on staff.
- Teaching Kitchen—McKinley Preparatory High School.
- Partnerships with Wediko Children Services, Sole Train, Vertex, Mel King’s Fab Lab, BU, Institute for Contemporary Art, Huntington Theatre, and Roxbury Community College.
- Competency based learning.
- Vocational pathway partnership with Madison Park High School.
- Athletics partnership Madison Park High School.

Enrollment & Attendance
- Race/Ethnicity
  - Economically Disadvantaged 75%
  - Students with Disabilities 96%
  - English Learners 22%
  - Attendance Rate 73%

MCAS 2017
- ELA
  - 29% Graduated
  - 47% Still in School
  - 2% GED

- Math
  - 42% Graduated
  - 32% Still in School
  - 16% GED

- Science
  - No Data

College Success
- 2015 graduates who enrolled in college
  - 21%
- 2009 graduates who completed college
  - 0%

MCAS Key: Advanced Proficient Needs Improvement Fail

State Accountability Level
1 Highest 2 3 4 5 Lowest

To see a full list of a school’s partner organizations, please visit partnerbps.org/locations
Resources for Families and Students

Boston Public Schools
www.bostonpublicschools.org

Main Number/All Departments ..................................... 617-635-9000
Adult Education ...................................................... 617-635-9300
Attendance .................................................................. 617-635-8035
Boston School Committee ............................................. 617-635-9014
Boston Student Advisory Council (BSAC) ............ 617-635-8079 ext 104
Citywide Parents Council (CPC) ................................. 617-635-9210
Communications .......................................................... 617-635-8030
Counseling Services ...................................................... 617-635-8030
Educational Options ...................................................... 617-635-8035
Engagement (central office) .......................................... 617-635-9660
Field office ................................................................... 617-635-7750
English Learners ............................................................ 617-635-9435
Equity (discrimination and civil rights issues) .......... 617-635-9650
Food and Nutrition Services ....................................... 617-635-9144
Guidance Services ......................................................... 617-635-8030
Health and Wellness ..................................................... 617-635-6643
Homeless Education Resource Center ......................... 617-635-8037
Newcomer Assessment & Counseling Center ............ 617-635-1565
Parent University ............................................................. 617-635-1683
Re-engagement Center ................................................... 617-635-2273
Safety Services (School Police) ..................................... 617-635-8000
School Hot Line (August, September, and January) ... 617-635-9046
Special Education .......................................................... 617-635-8599
Special Education Parent Advisory Council ................. 617-297-7335
(www.BostonSpedPac.org) ........................................ 617-297-7335
Student Records ............................................................ 617-635-9506
Superintendent’s Office .................................................. 617-635-9050
Title I Training Center (workshops for families) ........... 617-635-7750
Transportation ............................................................... 617-635-9520
Welcome Centers:
   Dorchester ............................................................. 617-635-8015
   East Boston ............................................................. 617-635-9597
   Roslindale ............................................................... 617-635-8040
   Roxbury ................................................................. 617-635-9010

Community Organizations & Services

Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD)
   617-357-6000 / www.bostonabcd.org
   GED, high school diploma, jobs programs, Head Start
American Student Assistance (ASA) College Planning Centers
   1-877-332-4348 / www.asa.org/plan
   Free information about higher education, financial aid, and careers
Boston Centers for Youth & Families (Community Centers)
   617-635-4920 / www.cityofboston.gov/BCYF
   Youth programs, adult education, recreation, GED
Boston Navigator ................................................... www.BOSTONavigator.org
   Extensive, searchable database of out-of-school time programs
Boston Partners in Education ... 617-451-6145 / www.bostonpartners.org
   School volunteers, parent training
Boston Public Library .......................................................... www.bpl.org
   Books, videos, use of computers, activities for all ages, museum passes,
   information on branch libraries
EDCO Youth Alternative ... 617-262-9562 / www.edcoyouthalternative.com
   High school diploma and school to career program for out-of-school youth
Federation for Children with Special Needs 617-482-2915/www.fcsn.org
   Advocacy, information, and training
Mayor’s Health Line ...................................................... 800–847-0710
   Information on immunizations and more
Mayor’s Youthline ................................. 617-635-2240 / www.bostonyouthzone.com
   Youth activities and information
Steppingstone Foundation .................. 617-423-6300 / www.tsf.org
   Free academic preparation for exam and private schools

Mass. Department of Elementary & Secondary Education
www.doe.mass.edu

1-781-338-3300
Charter Schools ................. 1-781-338-3227 / www.doe.mass.edu/charter
   Information about public schools open to Boston residents that
   are not part of the Boston Public Schools
MCAS Parent Information Hot line ... 1-866-MCAS220 / (1-866-622-7220)