

Milwaukee Public Schools Programs in Elementary Schools

Gifted & Talented and Program for Academically Talented (PAT) —

Academically advanced children may be referred into a Gifted & Talented school or PAT by their classroom teachers by November 23. Most often children enter the program between grades three and four. Gifted & Talented involves the entire school, while PAT is a program within a regular school. PAT varies from school to school. Parents should call and visit the school for information.

Gifted & Talented Schools
Allen Field <i>(Bilingual Spanish/English only)</i> Meir Victory
PAT Programs
Auer Avenue Clarke Street

English as a Second Language (ESL) —

Pupils are given special help in learning English, but the help may not be given in their first language. The ESL class may be made up of pupils speaking several different languages, all learning English.

Stand-alone ESL Programs
Acad. of Accelerated Learning Bethune Academy Burbank Garland Humboldt Park Kluge Neeskara Parkview Story Stuart Twenty-first Street

Bilingual Education — Pupils are taught subjects in both English and their first language. This helps the child maintain the first language while learning English. Two-way bilingual offers the English speaker an opportunity to learn Spanish. Both languages are used in the classroom. Check the individual school listings for the grade level of each program. Call the school about eligibility requirements.

Bilingual Education — Spanish/English	
ALBA Allen-Field Doerfler Forest Home Greenfield Kagel Lincoln Avenue	Longfellow Mitchell Pierce Riley Rogers Street Vieau
Two-way Bilingual	
Fratney Hayes	
Asian	
Acad. of Accelerated Learning Story Milw. Acad. of Chinese Language	

Montessori — Montessori is a teaching method that uses special classroom materials. Children are in classrooms of mixed ages and encouraged to work independently. There are no textbooks or grades. Because children must be taught the Montessori method, they are not accepted in the program beyond K4 unless they have had previous Montessori experience. Montessori schools have transportation regions as shown on the chart.

Schools with Montessori Programs
Craig <i>Regions: North & Central</i>
Fernwood <i>Regions: South, Central & East</i>
Highland Comm. School <i>Region: Citywide – no transportation</i>
Kosciuszko (K3 to 3 only) <i>Region: South</i>
Maryland Ave. <i>Regions: East & Central only for grades K3–Gr. 4. Grades 5–8 follow Riverside Region transportation guidelines.</i>
MacDowell <i>Regions: North, South, Central & East</i>

Other Services

Some elementary schools offer other services, including:

Special Education — All MPS schools serve pupils with special needs; however, not all services are available at all schools. Because individual needs vary greatly, it is important that you work closely with your child's Individualized Education Program (IEP) team and the principal/building administrator from the school you wish your child to attend when selecting schools.

High/Scope — An early childhood program stressing hands-on, activity based experiences for children. The MPS High/Scope program provides a full-time educational paraprofessional to assist children with academic and social growth. Parental involvement is encouraged and supported through fully funded field trips and other activities. Teachers and paraprofessionals are provided ongoing professional development in the High/Scope philosophy and curricular areas. See individual school listings beginning on page 27.

Head Start — A federally funded preschool program that prepares children for kindergarten. Children must be three or four on or before September 1. Income eligibility rules apply. Some Head Start programs team with childcare services and K4 programs to offer full-day programming. Transportation is not provided. Check the school listings to find out which offer Head Start. Call (414) 777-7850 for enrollment information.

WE INDIANS — Assists American Indian/Alaskan/Hawaiian native pupils through academic reinforcement, counseling, cultural/ language instruction, and more. Selected services are available at schools with concentrations of American Indian students. Currently, services are provided at Burdick, Doerfler, Dover, Grant, and Lincoln Avenue schools.

Year-round Schools — Twenty schools offer year-round classes. They begin in early August and have the same number of school days as other schools, but have longer breaks in October, December and April and no school in July.

SAGE — Student Achievement Guarantee in Education provides funding to schools to lower the class size in K5–Grade 3 and provide other assistance. The target class size is 15. More than 80 elementary schools offer SAGE services. See the school listings.

Extended-day Activities — Many schools offer before- and after-school activities. These include Community Learning Centers (CLC) and day-care services. Check the Index on page 96 and the individual school listings. Ask for additional information, such as care during school vacation and non-school days.

Year-round Schools

Alliance High School
Carter
Congress K-8
D.I.A.L. High School
Hawthorne
Lloyd St. K-5
Metcalfe K-8
Milwaukee Education Center M.S.
Northern Star M.S.
River Trail
Sixty-eighth St. Early Childhood
Silver Spring Elementary
Starms Discovery
Starms Early Childhood
Starms Monumental
Urban Waldorf K-8
Wheatley
Wings Academy
Wisconsin Conservatory
WORK Institute H.S.

Check Your School's Report Card

Each MPS school has an annual report card. You can view your school's report at www.milwaukee.k12.wi.us. Click on "MPS District Report Card" under Announcements on the home page. Data is arranged alphabetically by school name.

