



# GIFTED RESOURCE CENTER GUIDE

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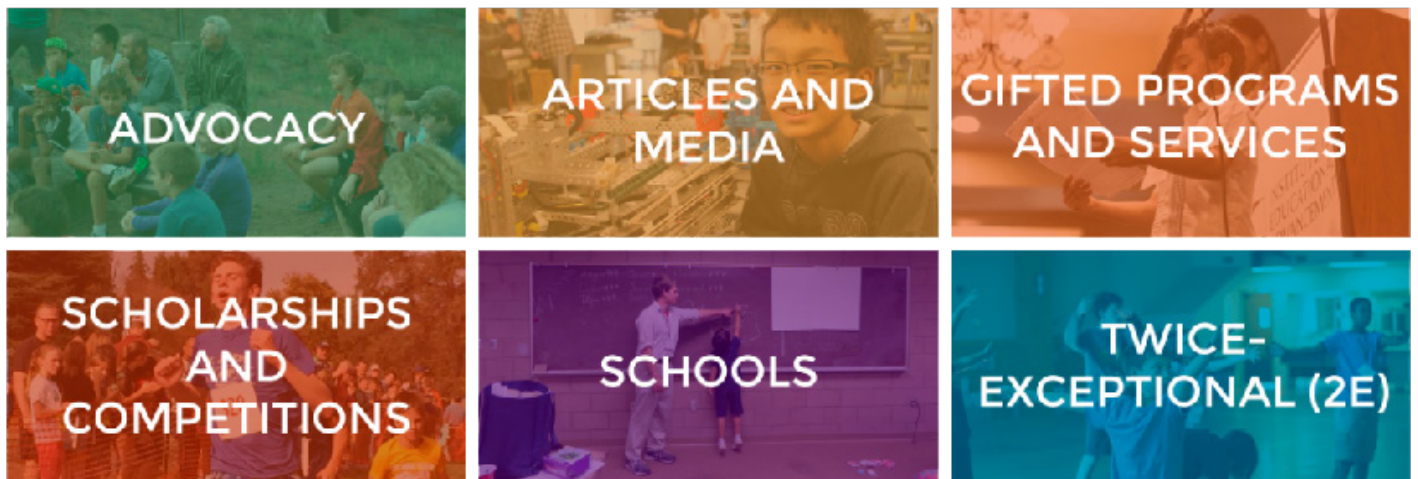
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# INTRODUCTION



The Gifted Resource Center (GRC) is a free public tool created and curated by the Institute for Educational Advancement (IEA) which serves as an online database of resources appropriate for the gifted learner from Preschool through High School.

The GRC contains an abundance of resources and information regarding advocacy, gifted programs and organizations, schools, scholarships, supplemental learning opportunities, testing and counseling professionals, and the twice-exceptional (2e) learner. IEA conducts research to provide students, their families, and others interested in gifted education with the most relevant and pertinent information.

This guide is a compilation of the resources available under the Schools category of the GRC. It is meant as a free resource for students, parents, educators and others who work with gifted children to assist in finding appropriate resources to aid in the development and growth of gifted learners.

## About Institute for Educational Advancement

The Institute for Educational Advancement (IEA) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the intellectual, creative and personal growth of our nation's gifted and advanced youth. Central to the mission of IEA is a commitment to the development of the whole child through engaging educational experiences that promote optimal challenge, mentorship, exploration of ideas and recognition of personal potential. IEA seeks to connect like-minded individuals and supports a diverse community that creates a sense of belonging and affirmation.

For more information, visit us at [www.educationaladvancement.org](http://www.educationaladvancement.org).

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# NATIONAL

## ACTON ACADEMY

1-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

*California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Michigan, New Mexico, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Washington D.C., Wisconsin*

Acton Academy is one of America's most innovative schools, with over 30+ locations worldwide. Based on the principles of the Socratic method and experiential, hands-on learning, Acton Academy is a one-room schoolhouse offering two educational environments serving grades 1-12.

**Website:** [www.actonacademy.org/](http://www.actonacademy.org/)

## BARD EARLY COLLEGES

9-12

*Louisiana, New Jersey, New York, Maryland, Massachusetts, Ohio, Washington D.C.*

The Bard Early Colleges are founded on the belief that many high-school-age students are eager and ready for the intellectual challenges of a college education. They provide adolescents with a rigorous, credit-bearing, tuition-free college course of study in the liberal arts and sciences following the 9th and 10th grades. Bard operates a network of tuition-free early colleges that includes the Bard High School Early Colleges, the Bard Early College Centers and Bard College at Simon's Rock.

**Website:** <https://bhsec.bard.edu/>

## FLEX SCHOOL

5-8 · 9-12

*Connecticut, New Jersey*

Flex School is a unique learning network for gifted and twice exceptional (2e) middle and high school students. Flex School embraces students for who and where they are, then supports them as they learn to thrive. Small, ability-based discussion classes taught by subject experts ensure meaningful conversations and the opportunity to ask high-level questions.

**Website:** [www.flexschool.net/](http://www.flexschool.net/)

# ALASKA

## EARLY HONORS DUAL CREDIT PROGRAM AT ALASKA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

11-12

APU's Early Honors Program is a dual credit option that enables talented and driven students to enjoy the best parts of their final year of high school while experiencing their first year of college life, earning transferable college credits, and setting the foundation for their higher education future.

**Website:** [www.alaskapacific.edu/earlyhonors/](http://www.alaskapacific.edu/earlyhonors/)

# ARIZONA

## HERBERGER YOUNG SCHOLARS ACADEMY

7-8 · 9-12

The Gary K. Herberger Young Scholars Academy is a learning environment designed for highly gifted students in grades 7-12 located on the Arizona State University West campus. Designed for gifted students who thrive in a highly engaging learning environment, the academy personalizes students' education by merging individual's academic talents and interests with advanced college preparatory coursework and mentorship opportunities.

**Website:** <https://herbergeracademy.asu.edu/>

## SAN TAN CHARTER SCHOOL

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

San Tan Charter School offers tuition-free public Elementary, Middle School, Junior High, High School and self-contained Gifted programs in Gilbert, Arizona. Each program uses a curriculum that keeps each child at their cutting edge of learning. Their unique approach to classroom management, through Love & Logic®, enables their teachers and staff to support the school's guiding Montessori principle that one should never do something for a child that they can do for themselves. San Tan Charter School firmly believes in promoting character education in all areas of the school day.

*Website: <https://santancharterschool.com/>*

## ARKANSAS

### ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR MATH, SCIENCES, + THE ARTS

9-12

ASMSA is one of only sixteen public, residential high schools nationwide which specializes in the education of gifted and talented students who have an interest and aptitude for mathematics and science, as well as a passion for creativity, humanities, and the arts. Created in 1991 by an act of the Arkansas Legislature, ASMSA is one of the nation's top secondary schools for gifted students. The application is open to any sophomore student who resides in the state of Arkansas.

*Website: [www.asmsa.org/](http://www.asmsa.org/)*

### HAAS HALL ACADEMY

7-8 · 9-12

Haas Hall Academy is a charter school serving students in grades 7-12 in the Northwest Arkansas area. They provide an accelerated college preparatory curriculum and hope to create an alternative learning environment for their highly driven students. Their rigorous program allows students to complete two years of each subject in just one year, preparing them for the intensity and academic challenges they may encounter in higher education.

*Website: [www.haashall.org/](http://www.haashall.org/)*

## CALIFORNIA

### ARROYO PACIFIC ACADEMY GIFTED STUDENT EXTENSION PROGRAM

9-12

Arroyo Pacific Academy is a four-year private, independent, coeducational, college preparatory high school located in Arcadia, California. The Academy is a coeducational institution, open to local and international students. It is a learning institution where academic attainment has the highest priority within a learning environment that is supportive and encouraging.

*Website: [www.arroyopacific.org/academics](http://www.arroyopacific.org/academics)*

### BAYSIDE ACADEMY

K-5 · 6-8

Bayside Academy consists of K-5 STEAM and 6-8 STEM. Their mission is to engage all students through integrated learning experiences that encourage critical thinking and a growth mindset. They are a community built on collaboration, communication, and positive relationships, and encourage all students to be lifelong learners.

*Website: <http://bayside.smfcsd.net/>*

### BIG MINDS UNSCHOOL

1-5 · 6-8

Big Minds is an attachment-based, community focused school in Pinole, California designed to give 2e students the time and support necessary to grow into thoughtful, articulate citizens.

*Website: [www.bigmindsunschool.org/](http://www.bigmindsunschool.org/)*

**BRIDGES ACADEMY**

4-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Bridges Academy is dedicated to understanding and educating gifted and highly gifted students with learning differences (twice-exceptional or 2e students) and fostering a successful academic and social experience for their students and the broader community. They do this through the work of two divisions: Bridges Academy and The Center for Twice-Exceptional Research and Professional Development (The 2e Center). They empower their students to thrive academically and socially through small classes and differentiated instruction, creating an environment in which gifts are recognized and developed, and learning differences and disabilities are accepted.

*Website: [www.bridges.edu/](http://www.bridges.edu/)*

**CAL STATE LA EARLY ENTRANCE PROGRAM**

AGES 11 TO 16

The Early Entrance Program (EEP) is a unique educational program that is specifically designed to permit young, highly gifted students to enroll in college as full time students. The EEP was established at Cal State LA in 1982 and allows qualified students as young as 11 years of age, the opportunity to excel at the university level. The average entering age is currently 13.5 years and all EEP students must be under the age of 16 by June 1st of the year in which they apply. The program maintains a population of approximately 130 full-time highly gifted teen-age students on the Cal State LA campus.

*Website: [www.calstatela.edu/academic/eep](http://www.calstatela.edu/academic/eep)*

**CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF MATH AND SCIENCE**

9-12

The California Academy of Mathematics and Science is a comprehensive public, four-year high school which seeks to increase the nation's pool of graduates in mathematics and science. The Academy develops the talents of motivated students to become thoughtful and productive members of an increasingly global and technological society. They offer a rigorous and innovative college preparatory curriculum which is available to school districts throughout the region and nation.

*Website: <https://lbcams.schoolloop.com/>*

**CHANDLER SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8

Located in Pasadena, California, the Chandler School is an independent, coed day school enrolling students in kindergarten through 8th grade. Chandler School seeks bright, motivated and well-rounded students who can benefit from a strong academic program and the wide range of opportunities offered on campus.

*Website: [www.chanderschool.org/](http://www.chanderschool.org/)*

**COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL**

9-12

Founded in 1960, the College Preparatory School is an independent coeducational day school for grades 9-12 in Oakland, California, with a reputation for high standards of scholarship and character.

*Website: [www.college-prep.org/page](http://www.college-prep.org/page)*

**DUAL ENROLLMENT AT SANTA MONICA COLLEGE**

9-12

The Santa Monica Dual Enrollment Program consists of college classes offered at local high schools.

*Website: [www.smc.edu/StudentServices/Counseling/Dual-Enrollment/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.smc.edu/StudentServices/Counseling/Dual-Enrollment/Pages/default.aspx)*

**EAGLE ROCK JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

7-8 · 9-12

Eagle Rock Junior/Senior High School is an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School, located in Eagle Rock, California. ERHS serves students in grades 7 – 12 through a comprehensive junior and senior high school, as well as a Magnet program serving gifted, high ability, and highly gifted students in grades 7 – 12. The primary goal of the Magnet program is to provide opportunities that meet the needs of the gifted learner which cannot be met in a regular classroom program in the areas of content, pace, process, and/or enrichment.

*Website: <https://erhs.la/>*

## **EL SERENO MIDDLE AND MAGNET CENTER**

6-8

The mission of El Sereno Middle School is to empower all students with the skills and knowledge to become compassionate, inquisitive, principled young people who create a more peaceful world through global awareness, critical thinking, and a commitment to action and service. They offer years 1-3 of the Middle Years Program and are part of the only complete IB feeder family pattern in LAUSD that starts with the Primary Years Program (PYP) at Farmdale Elementary next door, and ends with MYP 4-5 and the Diploma Program (DP) up at Woodrow Wilson Senior High School (WHS).

*Website: [www.elserenoms.org/](http://www.elserenoms.org/)*

## **GASPAR DE PORTOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL**

6-8

Gaspar de Portola Highly Gifted Magnet, established in 1979, shares the campus of Portola Middle School. It is the only middle school program in LAUSD designed specifically to meet the needs of highly gifted students. It is a well-rounded, academically rigorous program that emphasizes critical thinking and establishing a growth mindset.

*Website: [www.portolams.org/](http://www.portolams.org/)*

## **GATE ACADEMY**

K-5 · 6-8

GATE Academy is a year-round day school dedicated to educating academically-gifted students in grades K–8 with an inquiry-based curriculum. GATE students are deep, reflective thinkers who have a passion for figuring out, doing, and understanding. They cluster motivated and cognitively gifted students in small groups with their intellectual peers and provide them with an inquiry-based, accelerated, self-paced curriculum in a school environment that celebrates them for who they are.

*Website: [www.gateacademy.org/](http://www.gateacademy.org/)*

## **HARVARD-WESTLAKE SCHOOL**

7-8 · 9-12

Harvard-Westlake School is an independent, coeducational university preparatory day school serving students grades 7-12. Currently they have two campuses in Southern California: Middle School Campus located in Holmby Hills, and Upper School Campus located in Studio City.

*Website: [www.hw.com/](http://www.hw.com/)*

## **HEAD-ROYCE SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Head-Royce School is a co-educational college-preparatory K-12 school in Oakland, California. Head-Royce is composed of three schools: The Lower School (Kindergarten through 5th grade), the Middle School (6th through 8th grade), and the Upper School (9th through 12th grade).

*Website: [www.headroyce.org/](http://www.headroyce.org/)*

## **HELIOS SCHOOL FOR GIFTED CHILDREN**

K-5 · 6-8

A Kindergarten to 8th Grade school, learning at Helios takes place through meaningful authentic projects which may include field work, inquiry, discovery, direct instruction, and interaction with the environment. This project-based learning environment offers the rigor, depth, and complexity gifted learners need. Equally important, Helios students thrive socially. They have a community of peers who are willing to “go deep” and engage each other in their passions.

*Website: [www.heliosns.org/](http://www.heliosns.org/)*

## **HILLBROOK SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8

Located in the Silicon Valley, Hillbrook School is an independent, private, coeducational day school for students in junior kindergarten through 8th grade. Small class sizes, bolstered by a robust co-teaching model, creates a classroom culture of hands-on and interactive educational experiences that challenge and bring out the best in their students, fostering a lifelong curiosity and genuine love of learning.

*Website: [www.hillbrook.org/page](http://www.hillbrook.org/page)*

## **JUMP START AT GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

9-12

Jump Start is an early college enrollment opportunity which allows high school students to take college classes at Glendale Community College, while still enrolled in high school.

*Website:* [www.glendale.edu/students/student-services/sos-outreach/high-school-students](http://www.glendale.edu/students/student-services/sos-outreach/high-school-students)

## **KHAN LAB SCHOOL**

AGES 5 TO 16+

Khan Lab School is a non-profit, independent, co-educational school which currently serves students ages 5 – 16+ in Mountain View, California. In keeping with Sal Khan's One World Schoolhouse philosophy, KLS provides an extended-year, extended-day, mixed-age program with a project-based learning approach. Recognizing that ownership and relationship are the keys to success in learning, the academic experience is coordinated by a team of Advisors, Content Specialists, and Associate Teachers who guide students through gradually increasing levels of independence.

*Website:* <http://khanlabschool.org/>

## **KNOX SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8

The Knox School of Santa Barbara is an independent, non-profit, non-sectarian day school, offering an exemplary program developed specifically for gifted children and serves multi-aged grades from K through 8th. Their mission is to provide a stimulating and nurturing environment where, alongside an engaging and challenging curriculum, the social and emotional needs of gifted and talented students are respected and compassionately supported.

*Website:* [www.knoxschoolsba.org/](http://www.knoxschoolsba.org/)

## **LA JOLLA COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL**

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

La Jolla Country Day School is an independent school located in San Diego, California. The school contains a lower school (consisting of nursery through fourth grade), a middle school (grades 5-8) and an upper school (grades 9-12).

*Website:* [www.ljcds.org/](http://www.ljcds.org/)

## **LOS ANGELES CENTER FOR ENRICHED STUDIES**

6-8 · 9-12

The Los Angeles Center for Enriched Studies (LACES) is a public magnet school (the first in LAUSD) for students in 6th-12th grade. LACES provides a challenging environment where all students pursue academic excellence leading to productive lives in a changing world. LACES reflects the diversity of Los Angeles with its students coming from many socio-economic, cultural and ethnic backgrounds. The school provides a challenging curriculum in a humanistic school environment offering close and personal involvement among teachers, students and parents. Courses develop academic abilities, artistic talents, and athletic skills.

*Website:* [www.lacesmagnetschool.org/](http://www.lacesmagnetschool.org/)

## **MARLBOROUGH SCHOOL**

7-8 · 9-12

Marlborough School, founded in 1889, is an independent, urban day school serving a diverse group of young women. The School is committed to delivering a superior college preparatory education in an environment imbued with high ethical values. Marlborough is dedicated to the philosophy that academic excellence, leadership skills, and confidence flourish best in an environment exclusively devoted to the education of young women. The Marlborough community enables each student to develop her fullest potential so that she may become an actively engaged global citizen.

*Website:* [www.marlborough.org/](http://www.marlborough.org/)

## **MENLO SCHOOL**

6-8 · 9-12

Menlo School is an independent, coeducational, college preparatory school for students in grades six through twelve. Established in 1915, the School is accredited by the Western Association of Schools

and Colleges and is a member of the National and California Associations of Independent Schools.

**Website:** [www.menloschool.org](http://www.menloschool.org)

### **NORTH HOLLYWOOD HIGHLY GIFTED MAGNET**

9-12

The Highly Gifted Magnet (HGM) was established in 1989 as part of the voluntary integration program of the Los Angeles Unified School District. The goals are twofold: racial integration and a college preparatory curriculum that serves a special needs population (students who have an LAUSD intellectual assessment exam scoring 99.5% and above = IQ of 140+). The HGM, which is mandated to maintain 60% minority students, includes and fosters a multi-racial, multi-ethnic student body. Students come from all geographic and economic reaches of Los Angeles; most come to school via integration busing with journeys lasting 60 to 90 minutes each way. Coupled with this geographic sacrifice, students enroll in the most rigorous and academically accelerated curriculum available in the LAUSD.

**Website:** <http://highlygiftedmagnet.org/>

### **OAK CREST ACADEMY**

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Oak Crest Academy is a fully accredited school for gifted and talented students, grades PreK-12, specifically designed to address the needs and learning styles of gifted learners. They bring together highly trained faculty, carefully designed and award-winning gifted curricula, and like-minded peers. They promote a community of enthusiastic learners who share a passion for intellectual inquiry, creativity and discovery

**Website:** [www.oakcrestacademy.org/](http://www.oakcrestacademy.org/)

### **PEGASUS SCHOOL**

PK-5 · 6-8

The Pegasus School is a coed, non-profit, nonsectarian day school in Huntington Beach, California, that serves students in pre-kindergarten through 8th grade. A Pegasus education equips bright, motivated students to achieve future academic success and make a positive impact on society.

**Website:** [www.thepegasusschool.org/page](http://www.thepegasusschool.org/page)

### **PENINSULA HERITAGE SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8

Peninsula Heritage School is a K-8th day school located in Rolling Hills Estates, California. They aim to foster each child's intellectual, social, and ethical growth. Their strong academic program challenges and supports each individual within a school community which values diverse backgrounds, talents, and learning styles.

**Website:** [www.peninsulaheritage.org/](http://www.peninsulaheritage.org/)

### **RHOADES SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8

The Rhoades School supports the positive development of bright, academically advanced, productive, creative, and socially able students in grades K-8. Students are provided with an appropriate curriculum, a supportive peer group, and suitable guidance in an encouraging and thoughtful manner. The structure of their curriculum and their personalized teaching approach is designed to meet the unique needs and passions of gifted students.

**Website:** [www.rhoadesschool.com/](http://www.rhoadesschool.com/)

### **SPRING HILL SCHOOL**

PK-5 · 6

Spring Hill School provides an individualized learning environment in which each child's unique gifts are recognized and nurtured, enabling them to reach their highest potential. Located in Santa Cruz, California, Spring Hill is an independent private school serving preschool through sixth grade students and sending graduates to top national and local public and private schools. Spring Hill School is the only independent design thinking elementary school of its kind on the Central Coast of California.

**Website:** [www.springhillschool.org/](http://www.springhillschool.org/)

**STEPPING STONES THERAPY & LEARNING ACADEMY, INC.****PK-5 · 6**

Stepping Stones Therapy, Inc.'s Learning Academy believes that education is a personal journey for every family. Their program is designed to help families in a variety of ways along this road including helping families identify homeschool/alternative education options or finding the right fit for their learner's unique learning style. Their goal is to provide an enriched learning environment and ensure each learner feels emotionally safe to explore, discover, and learn at his or her own pace and in his or her own way, with the support of a credentialed teacher and/or learning coach. Whether entering the school years or embarking into young adulthood, Stepping Stones Therapy, Inc. offers meaningful, natural learning opportunities.

**Website:** [www.steppingstonetherapy.org/learning-academy/](http://www.steppingstonetherapy.org/learning-academy/)

**SYNAPSE SCHOOL****K-5 · 6-8**

An independent K-8th grade school in Menlo Park, California, Synapse offers an innovative academic curriculum fully integrated with social emotional learning (SEL). The program is carefully designed as a model school to demonstrate the power of blending Six Seconds' emotional intelligence programs with leading-edge instruction (brain-based, project driven, constructivist learning in school-wide themes).

**Website:** [www.synapseschool.org/](http://www.synapseschool.org/)

**THE HARKER SCHOOL****PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

The Harker School is a private school in Silicon Valley that has earned international recognition for its top academics, quality teachers and student achievements. Founded in 1893 and educating 2,000 students, Harker is the largest independent school of its kind in California, serving students in pre-kindergarten through 12th grade on its four San Jose campuses.

**Website:** [www.harker.org/](http://www.harker.org/)

**THE MIRMAN SCHOOL****K-5 · 6-8**

Mirman School is an independent, co-educational day school for highly gifted children in grades K-8 located in Los Angeles. They cultivate the boundless potential of highly gifted children, nurture their passions and talents, and develop a diverse community of creative and constructive lifelong learners.

**Website:** <https://mirman.org/>

**THE NUEVA SCHOOL****PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

The Nueva School is an internationally-recognized independent school, serving gifted and talented students since 1967. A three-time winner of the US Department of Education National Blue Ribbon Award, Nueva is a student-centered school known for its distinctive inquiry-based interdisciplinary studies, constructivist project-based learning, and its pioneering work in social emotional learning and design thinking. Nueva has two campuses: Grades PreK – 8 meet at the Hillsborough Campus in Hillsborough, California and Grades 9 – 12 meet at the Bay Meadows Campus located in San Mateo, California.

**Website:** [www.nuevaschool.org/](http://www.nuevaschool.org/)

**WALTER REED MIDDLE SCHOOL****6-8**

Walter Reed Middle School is a vibrant community of more than 1,600 scholars housed in 6 Smaller Learning Communities (SLC), each designed to fit the different needs and interests of all kinds of students: Environmental Science Academy, Global Leadership Academy, Humanities Academy, Individualized Honors Program, Media Arts & Technology Academy, STEAM Academy.

**Website:** <http://reedms.com/>

**WESTRIDGE SCHOOL FOR GIRLS****4-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

Westridge School is a private, independent day school for college-bound girls 4th through 12th grade,

located in Pasadena, California.

**Website:** [www.westridge.org/](http://www.westridge.org/)

### **WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL**

7-8 · 9-12

Whitney High School is a public magnet school in Cerritos, California serving students 7th through 12th grade, offering alternative education for high achieving students selected throughout the district. WHS strives to develop intrinsically motivated, collaborative learners who approach their education purposefully and creatively, preparing academically proficient students for entrance to and success at their best-match university. Whitney has consistently ranked among the top high schools in the U.S. since 2007.

**Website:** [www.whitneyhs.us/](http://www.whitneyhs.us/)

## **COLORADO**

### **ACADEMY FOR ADVANCED AND CREATIVE LEARNING**

K-5 · 6-8

Academy for ACL is a K-8 public charter school in the Pikes Peak region. They provide an academic home for advanced & creative learning, and a place for unusually advanced, gifted skills to flourish. Their gifted education specialty uses a higher degree of difficulty and more complex curriculum designed for academically gifted learners.

**Website:** <http://academyacl.org/>

### **CHALLENGE SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8

Located in Denver, Colorado, the Challenge School is a magnet charter school in Cherry Creek School District that exists to inspire, empower and challenge students who are academically advanced or gifted. Through a rigorous academic program, Challenge encourages students to become compassionate and critical thinkers able to communicate their ideas. Challenge classes are primarily grouped by learning or developmental needs rather than by age to best meet the needs of each individual child. Students also work in multi-age groups in Connections, Mini-courses, and Immersion classes.

**Website:** <http://challenge.cherrycreekschools.org/Pages/default.aspx>

### **MACKINTOSH ACADEMY**

PK-5 · 6-8

Mackintosh Academy nurtures the keen minds and compassionate hearts of the gifted child in a responsive and caring community of learners. As an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) School, Mackintosh Academy's mission aligns with the International Baccalaureate program's mission, "to create a better world through education." They have two campuses, located in Littleton and Boulder Colorado.

**Website:** <http://mackintoshacademy.com/>

### **RICKS CENTER FOR GIFTED CHILDREN**

PK-5 · 6-8

Located on the campus of the University of Denver, Ricks Center provides a nationally recognized gifted education program for gifted children Pre-School through 8th grade who demonstrate exceptional, differentiated abilities and learning needs. Their mission is to provide a dynamic and challenging educational environment that anticipates and responds to the individual intellectual, social, emotional, physical, aesthetic, and cognitive needs of gifted children. Ricks offers an average student-teacher ratio of seven-to-one, where teachers can focus on multiple teaching strategies designed to address the specific needs, learning styles, intellectual abilities and interests of each child.

**Website:** [www.du.edu/ricks/](http://www.du.edu/ricks/)

## THE LIBERTY SCHOOL

1-5 · 6-8

The Liberty School is an independent elementary school. The hallmarks of the school's scholastic program are a customized curriculum for each child, one-on-one instruction, and progressive approaches to teaching. Their mission is to provide individualized, dynamic education for dyslexic, intellectually gifted, and twice-exceptional (both dyslexic and gifted) students.

*Website: [www.thelibertyschool.org/](http://www.thelibertyschool.org/)*

## THE LOGAN SCHOOL FOR CREATIVE LEARNING

K-5 · 6-8

The Logan School for Creative Learning is a progressive school for the gifted in Denver, Colorado. They offer a dynamic curriculum that teaches the way children learn by giving them hands-on experiences fueled by their own curiosities. Their mission is to provide an experience-based educational opportunity for gifted children of all backgrounds that allow each child to develop individually to his or her full potential.

*Website: [www.theloganschool.org/](http://www.theloganschool.org/)*

# CONNECTICUT

## CHOATE ROSEMARY HALL

9-12

Established in 1890, Choate Rosemary Hall is a coeducational boarding and day school for grade 9-12, offering a rigorous academic curriculum with an emphasis on character formation and community.

*Website: [www.choate.edu/index.cfm](http://www.choate.edu/index.cfm)*

# FLORIDA

## CONSERVATORY PREP

7-8 · 9-12

Conservatory Prep, the only private school of its kind in Broward County, fosters creativity and critical thinking through the arts, hands-on experiences and problem-based learning, while emphasizing strong research, math, writing, and technology skills. Conservatory Prep students tend to be gifted, and twice-exceptional, college-bound individuals who are not emboldened to meet their potential in a traditional school environment.

*Website: [www.conservatoryprep.org/](http://www.conservatoryprep.org/)*

## FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL

9-12

Florida Atlantic University High School is a public, dual enrollment high school on the campus of Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Florida. FAU High School is unique by the advanced coursework and classroom setting that students participate in. 9th grade at FAU High School prepares all students to transition to Florida Atlantic University, as 10th graders, where they complete the rest of their high school coursework and begin their undergraduate degrees in a major of their choosing. A typical graduate of FAU High School earns three years worth of college credits towards a Bachelor's degree.

*Website: [www.fauhigh.fau.edu/](http://www.fauhigh.fau.edu/)*

## GALILEO SCHOOL FOR GIFTED LEARNING

K-5 · 6-8

Galileo School for Gifted Learning is K-8 FDOE-certified High-Performing Charter School open to all students in Seminole County. Their purpose is to help nurture the unique gifts of each of our students using innovative, research-based approaches to instruction. They see differentiation and acceleration, not as "add ons" to the curriculum, but as core components of the entire orientation of the school.

*Website: [www.galileogiftedschool.org/](http://www.galileogiftedschool.org/)*

### **LEE ACADEMY FOR GIFTED EDUCATION**

**PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

Lee Academy offers a unique experience for advanced, motivated learners Pre-K through 12th grade. Set in 3 1/2 acres of lakefront property, Lee Academy offers a flexible program that encourages reflective and creative thinking, problem solving, critical evaluation, and opportunity to pursue special interests. The curriculum is tailored to meet the intellectual needs and learning styles of advanced and gifted students. They also work with each student in areas beyond academics, nurturing qualities such as teamwork, compassion, respect and leadership through counseling, community service and group dynamic classes. Each student is guided toward social goals that are equal to their academic accomplishments.

**Website:** <https://leegiftedacademy.com/>

### **RANSOM EVERGLADES SCHOOL**

**6-8 · 9-12**

Founded in 1903, Ransom Everglades School is a coeducational, college preparatory day school for grades 6 - 12 located on two campuses in Coconut Grove, Florida. The mission of Ransom Everglades School is to provide an educational environment in which the pursuit of honor, academic excellence and intellectual growth is complemented by concern for the physical, cultural and character development of each student. The school provides rigorous college preparation that promotes the student's sense of identity, community, personal integrity and values for a productive and satisfying life, and prepares the student to lead and to contribute to society.

**Website:** [www.ransomeverglades.org/](http://www.ransomeverglades.org/)

### **RIDGECREST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND THE CENTER FOR GIFTED STUDIES**

**1-5**

The Center for Gifted Studies at Ridgecrest Elementary has been serving gifted students for over 20 years. The center admits students in grades one through five who meet gifted eligibility criteria, and who are selected in the magnet lottery process. Students use integrated pieces of information to develop a well-rounded approach to learning rather than basing education on isolated, often unrelated, facts. Program teachers work with the students one-on-one to help them identify their strengths and areas of need, thus enabling them to be self-directed learners while building a strong sense of accomplishment.

**Website:** [www.pcsb.org/ridgecrest-es](http://www.pcsb.org/ridgecrest-es)

### **THE GREENE SCHOOL**

**PK-5 · 6-8**

Located in West Palm Beach, Florida, The Greene School offers an accelerated curriculum to students in Pre-K through 8th grade. Through an inquiry-based classroom environment, Greene School students embrace learning beyond the mere acquisition of knowledge, and instead we prepare students to analyze situations, make decisions, solve problems, and communicate effectively in a dynamic world.

**Website:** [www.thegreeneschool.com/](http://www.thegreeneschool.com/)

## **GEORGIA**

### **FULTON SCIENCE ACADEMY GIFTED PROGRAM**

**PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

Fulton Science Academy Private School envisions a pre-K through 12th grade nationally ranked and recognized school serving advanced and gifted student populations committed to academic success, civic responsibility, and high ethical values within a safe environment that celebrates diversity and is supported by the collaborative efforts of its stakeholders and the broader community. Their mission is to engineer an educational framework designed for the highest academic results and enduring strength of character utilizing an innovative STEAM curriculum for college preparedness and lifelong student success.

**Website:** <http://fultonscienceacademy.org/fsa-gifted-program/>

## GEORGIA ACADEMY

11-12

The Georgia Academy resides on the campus of Middle Georgia State University in Cochran, Georgia. The purpose of the Academy is to provide an academically enriched residential environment for top-performing high school juniors and seniors seeking to enhance and accelerate their education by simultaneously earning their high school diploma and associate degree. The curriculum of an Academy student will satisfy both high school and MGA graduation requirements simultaneously.

*Website:* [www.mga.edu/georgia-academy/](http://www.mga.edu/georgia-academy/)

## THE DINOFF SCHOOL

K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

The Dinoff School, recognizes that students who possess exceptional gifts and talents should be granted the direction, time, encouragement, and resources to maximize their potential, whether it be in the area of intellect, specific academics, creativity, or leadership. While a school for the gifted, the Dinoff School also has an emphasis on performing arts.

*Website:* <https://thedinoffschool.com/>

## UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

9-12

Recognizing the need to offer opportunities for academic acceleration to talented high school students, the University of West Georgia allows early entrance through the Dual Enrollment program. The program is a non-need based grant program for qualified students at accredited public or private high schools in the state of Georgia. Dual Enrollment students are eligible to take classes in the Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters. Homeschooled students may also be considered if they meet Dual Enrollment admission requirements.

*Website:* [www.westga.edu/admissions/college-credit-now.php](http://www.westga.edu/admissions/college-credit-now.php)

# HAWAII

## ASSETS SCHOOL

K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Assets School serves gifted and capable students specializing in those with dyslexia and other language-based learning differences. They provide a strength-based program, complemented by outreach and training, that empowers students to become effective learners and confident self-advocates.

*Website:* <http://assets-school.net/>

# IDAHO

## ALZAR SCHOOL

10-11

The Alzar School offers academic semesters for motivated high school sophomores and juniors. These semesters immerse students in a rigorous, challenging educational setting that emphasizes leadership training.

*Website:* <http://alzarschool.org/>

# ILLINOIS

## ILLINOIS MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE ACADEMY

10-12

Established in 1985, the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA) is a tuition-free public residential high school for academically talented students in grades 10-12 located in Aurora,

Illinois. IMSA develops creative, ethical leaders in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. IMSA is both a public residential Academy and a catalyst and laboratory for the advancement of STEM teaching and learning statewide, with responsibility to stimulate further excellence for all Illinois schools in mathematics and science through student and educator outreach, teacher training and turnkey STEM curricula, student enrichment and entrepreneurship and makerspace education.

**Website:** [www.imsa.edu/](http://www.imsa.edu/)

### **LATIN SCHOOL OF CHICAGO**

**K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

Founded in 1888, Latin School is one of the oldest independent schools in the city of Chicago. The school was designed to provide students with a rigorous college-preparatory education in the classical tradition, with a curriculum that was heavily influenced by Classical studies and the Greek and Latin languages. Key among the values of Latin School are inclusivity and the diversity of people, cultures, and ideas. The Lower School serves students K – 4th grade with both junior and senior kindergarten options; the Middle School offers grades 5 – 8 and the Upper School serves students in grades 9 – 12.

**Website:** [www.latinschool.org](http://www.latinschool.org)

### **MID-WEST ACADEMY FOR GIFTED EDUCATION**

**K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

Midwest Academy for Gifted Education is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit school. MAGE was created because they detected an important need in the Greater Chicagoland area for an independent elementary school focused on the unique socio-emotional and cognitive needs of gifted learners. They believe learning should develop collaboration skills, creativity and critical thinking in young people. They celebrate and promote the innate talent and interests of each individual student while challenging them to construct their unique understanding of the world.

**Website:** [www.mage.education/](http://www.mage.education/)

### **NOBLE ACADEMY**

**9-12**

The Noble Academy is one of the highest performing non-selective schools in the city of Chicago. Rated a Level 1+ school and boasting the second highest non-selective ACT score in the city, The Noble Academy has transformed public education by creating the collegiate experience of learning in a very unique high school setting. The Academy's exclusive partnership with Phillips Exeter Academy, a top private school in New Hampshire, gives rise to a range of opportunities for The Noble Academy students. All classes are taught using the Harkness Method of instruction. Seated around oval tables, students engage in discussion-based, student led learning. Unlike teacher-driven classrooms of 30+ students, Harkness allows small groups of students to thrive intellectually, as teachers gently guide the discussion, encouraging students to collaborate rather than compete, and ensuring the mastery of critical thinking skills.

**Website:** <http://thenobleacademy.noblenetwork.org/>

### **NORTHSIDE COLLEGE PREPARATORY**

**9-12**

Located in Chicago, Illinois, Northside College Prep is a public four-year high school dedicated to creating a community of learners who strive to fulfill individual and collective intellectual, emotional, social, and ethical potentials. Northside is home to innovative and progressive educational programs where students construct knowledge through relevant and engaging experiences. In addition, Northside's rich liberal arts offerings extend into over 100 clubs and activities that support student interest and service learning. A full array of competitive athletic teams help to build character and life skills via competition, teamwork, and friendship.

**Website:** [www.northsideprep.org/](http://www.northsideprep.org/)

**QUEST ACADEMY**

PK-5 · 6-8

Located in Palatine, Illinois, Quest Academy provides gifted children with a challenging curriculum and a nurturing environment. Their program emphasizes sound character along with scholarship and creativity in both the academics and the arts. The Quest community values the individuality of each child and encourages each to strive for personal excellence.

*Website: [www.questacademy.org/](http://www.questacademy.org/)*

**ROYCEMORE SCHOOL**

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Roycemore School is an independent, nonsectarian, co-educational college preparatory school located in Evanston, Illinois serving students in pre-kindergarten through Grade 12. It was founded as a girls' college preparatory school and became coeducational in 1962. Roycemore has a welcoming, positive and energetic school culture. Students, teachers, administrators and parents work together to maintain a community that reflects the School's core values: respect for others, appreciation of differences, and a commitment to academic excellence in a challenging but non-competitive environment.

*Website: [www.roycemoreschool.org/](http://www.roycemoreschool.org/)*

**THE AVERY COONLEY SCHOOL**

PK-5 · 6-8

The Avery Coonley School is an independent school located in Downers Grove, Illinois, whose mission is to provide a learning environment that is appropriate for both academically bright and gifted children who are motivated to learn and have demonstrated the potential for the scholastic achievement necessary to succeed in a challenging academic program, in order that they may become positive, productive, and respectful members of society.

*Website: [www.averycoonley.org/](http://www.averycoonley.org/)*

**UNIVERSITY LABORATORY HIGH SCHOOL**

7-8 · 9-12

University Laboratory High School is a selective admission, public, laboratory school sanctioned by the State of Illinois and associated with the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The school serves academically talented students, residing in Illinois, from the subfreshman level (combined 7th and 8th grades) through high school.

*Website: [www.uni.illinois.edu/](http://www.uni.illinois.edu/)*

**UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAB SCHOOLS**

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Founded by the renowned educator John Dewey in 1896 and located in Hyde Park, the University of Chicago Laboratory Schools is a private, co-educational day school that is affiliated with the University of Chicago. Families who choose Lab care deeply about curiosity, inquiry, and creativity. All are attracted to a diverse community and an environment that creates and nurtures the habits of expansive thinking and complex problem-solving.

*Website: [www.ucls.uchicago.edu/](http://www.ucls.uchicago.edu/)*

**WALTER PEYTON COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL**

9-12

Walter Peyton College Prep High School is a selective enrollment public high school and an international model for global teaching and learning. Nestled in the heart of downtown Chicago, Peyton has a distinguished and award-winning reputation for its world-class math, science, world-language, humanities, fine arts, and adventure education programs.

*Website: [www.wpcp.org/](http://www.wpcp.org/)*

# INDIANA

## SYCAMORE SCHOOL

PK-5 · 6-8

At Sycamore School, they understand that gifted children need a special education, and their mission reflects their focus and drive. The school exists so that academically gifted students can experience the enriched, accelerated education they need to reach their full potential and to lead responsible, constructive, fulfilling lives. Sycamore School is Indiana's only accredited, private, independent Pre-school - 8th Grade school for gifted students.

*Website: [www.sycamoreschool.org/](http://www.sycamoreschool.org/)*

# IOWA

## BUCKSBAUM EARLY ENTRANCE ACADEMY

10-12

The University of Iowa's Belin-Blank Center has offered early entrance to university programming since 1999. The Bucksbaum Early Entrance Academy empowers high-achieving students with a passion for STEM and the Arts/Humanities to begin full-time on-campus study at The University of Iowa after their sophomore year of high school.

*Website: [www2.education.uiowa.edu/belinblank/students/academy/](http://www2.education.uiowa.edu/belinblank/students/academy/)*

# KENTUCKY

## COVINGTON LATIN SCHOOL

5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Located in Covington, Kentucky, Covington Latin School is a co-educational, Catholic, accelerated, college preparatory high school offering a classical education. As its central purpose, CLS aims to form Christian leaders by challenging its students to attain their academic, intellectual, social and moral potential. The School's commitment to acceleration allows advanced fifth, sixth and seventh grade students the opportunity to begin their high school career.

*Website: [www.covingtonlatin.org/](http://www.covingtonlatin.org/)*

## NOE MIDDLE SCHOOL GIFTED AND TALENTED MAGNET PROGRAM

6-8

Noe Middle School is one of the largest and most diverse middle schools in Jefferson County. Noe offers the district's only Gifted and Talented Magnet Program at the middle school level, the Advance Program, the ESL Program, and the Exceptional Child Education (ECE) Program. Noe puts special emphasis on the arts by providing a Visual and Performing Arts Magnet Program.

*Website: <http://schools.jefferson.kyschools.us/Middle/Noe/>*

## THE GATTON ACADEMY

9-12

The Carol Martin Gatton Academy of Mathematics and Science in Kentucky is a residential program for bright, highly motivated Kentucky high school students who have demonstrated interest in pursuing advanced careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Housed on the campus of Western Kentucky University, students take college classes, engage in faculty-led research, and have the ability to study abroad. The goal is to enable Kentucky's exceptional young scientists and mathematicians to learn in an environment which offers advanced educational opportunities, preparing them for leadership roles in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

*Website: [www.wku.edu/academy/](http://www.wku.edu/academy/)*

# LOUISIANA

## ISIDORE NEWMAN SCHOOL

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Founded in 1903, Isidore Newman School is a co-educational independent school that serves high achieving and highly motivated students in Pre-K through 12th grade. With a current enrollment of just over 1,000 students, Newman is the NAIS-accredited, only co-educational, non-sectarian, independent day school in the city of New Orleans. The school has a national reputation for excellence and achievement in academics, athletics, and the arts with our students matriculating to the most selective colleges and universities in the country.

*Website:* [www.newmanschool.org](http://www.newmanschool.org)

## LSUS DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAMS

11-12

Louisiana State University, Shreveport offers two options for qualified high school students who wish to earn college credits while still in high school through The Louisiana Early Start (ES) and The LSU Shreveport Academic Excellence Program (AEP).

*Website:* [www.lsus.edu/admissions-and-financial-aid/undergraduate-admissions/dual-enrollment-programs](http://www.lsus.edu/admissions-and-financial-aid/undergraduate-admissions/dual-enrollment-programs)

# MARYLAND

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY UNIFIED MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE, COMPUTER SCIENCE PROGRAM

6-8

Located in Silver Springs, Maryland, the Mathematics, Science, Computer Science Program at Montgomery County Unified offers rigorous academic study in mathematics, science, and computer science to highly gifted students. This program is much more than accelerated mathematics courses. Students have opportunities to work with professional scientists and mathematicians from government agencies. The program offers access to many academic competitions and the opportunity to conduct fieldwork. Throughout all of their specialized coursework, students work with an academic cohort to conduct independent inquiries using mathematics, computer science, and the scientific process to solve real-world problems.

*Website:* [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/middle/math-sci-compsci.aspx](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/middle/math-sci-compsci.aspx)

# MASSACHUSETTS

## ACADEMY HILL SCHOOL

PK-5 · 6-8

Academy Hill School provides an intellectual, principled, creative, and enriching foundation for gifted and high-potential students to become the next visionaries, innovators, and leaders.

*Website:* [www.academyhill.org/](http://www.academyhill.org/)

## BOSTON UNIVERSITY ACADEMY

9-12

Boston University Academy is an academically rigorous independent day school located on the Boston University campus. BUA is the only high school in New England that is part of a major research university, offering a distinctive curriculum to students in grades nine through twelve. Boston University Academy provides students with an unparalleled college preparatory program that combines liberal arts coursework with classes at Boston University. Small class sizes and close relationships with faculty allow students to pursue their passions and nurture their talents.

*Website:* [www.buacademy.org/home](http://www.buacademy.org/home)

## **MASSACHUSETTS ACADEMY OF MATH AND SCIENCE**

11-12

The Massachusetts Academy of Math and Science is a free, co-educational, public school of excellence that enrolls approximately 100 academically accelerated 11th and 12th grade students from Massachusetts. Math and science are emphasized within a comprehensive, interactive academic program. Rigorous junior year classes and senior classes taken at Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI) prepare students for college academics before they've graduated from high school.

*Website:* [www.massacademy.org/](http://www.massacademy.org/)

## **PHILLIPS ACADEMY ANDOVER**

9-12

Founded in 1778, Phillips Academy is an independent, coeducational secondary school with an expansive worldview and a legacy of academic excellence.

*Website:* [www.andover.edu/](http://www.andover.edu/)

## **THE SAGE SCHOOL**

PK-5 · 6-8

The Sage School's mission is to prepare gifted students to excel, by providing a comprehensive program of academic rigor and social growth inspired by passionate teachers within a nurturing community. They are a small, cohesive, nurturing community that values the free expression of ideas, the individual contributions of all its members, and all types of diversity. The Sage School is New England's recognized leader in gifted education, with a proven history of preparing graduates to confidently navigate and succeed in a dynamic world.

*Website:* [www.sageschool.org/](http://www.sageschool.org/)

# **MICHIGAN**

## **EMERSON SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8

Emerson School is a K-8 school in Ann Arbor, MI designed for gifted and academically talented students. The mission of Emerson School is to provide a whole child, multiple method approach to instruction for gifted and for academically talented students. The school encourages creativity, problem solving, and the development of basic skills, while providing a warm, supportive environment that promotes responsibility for oneself and others.

*Website:* [www.emerson-school.org](http://www.emerson-school.org)

## **STEPPINGSTONE SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8

Steppingstone School for Gifted Education, located in a vibrant Michigan community, is dedicated to providing an outstanding education that addresses both the intellect and humanity of gifted children. They strive for accessibility to all gifted students regardless of ability to pay, for a sustainable population housed in an attractive facility that supports our mission, and to attract and retain the best teachers for our students and the best support staff for our teachers and parents. Steppingstone School is an internationally recognized resource for gifted education, where daily interactions and research with national and international education institutions are woven into the fabric of our operations.

*Website:* [www.steppingstoneschool.org/](http://www.steppingstoneschool.org/)

## **SUMMERS-KNOLL SCHOOL**

PK-5 · 6-8

Summers-Knoll School is recognized as Ann Arbor's only independent progressive preschool through eighth grade program. The school's unique combination of project and place based interdisciplinary curriculum and its focus on the development of key academic and 21st century skills makes the school unique in the region.

*Website:* <http://summers-knoll.org/>

## THE ROEPER SCHOOL

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

The Roeper School is a private coeducational day school for gifted children, with campuses in Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills, Michigan in Greater Detroit, serving students at all levels from preschool through the 12th grade. Founded by George and Annemarie Roeper in 1941, The Roeper School is known for educating the whole child in an emotionally supportive, intellectually engaging environment. Roeper seeks students who are curious about learning, internally motivated, self-directed, and have a high ability to think abstractly.

*Website:* [www.roeper.org/](http://www.roeper.org/)

# MINNESOTA

## ARETE ACADEMY

4-5 · 6-8 · 9-11

Arete Academy of Exceptional Education is committed to partnering with parents to educate and support twice-exceptional students – gifted students who also have learning disabilities – so they can learn the academic, social and emotional skills needed to overcome their disabilities, reach their full potential and apply their gifts to make lasting contributions to the world.

*Website:* [www.aretacademymn.org/](http://www.aretacademymn.org/)

## BLAKE SCHOOL

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

The Blake School is an independent pre-k-12, private, non-sectarian, coeducational, college preparatory day school with campuses in Minneapolis, Hopkins, and Wayzata. They offer a rigorous education grounded in shared values – respect, love of learning, integrity, courage and a commitment to pluralism. Students become lifelong learners who make lasting contributions to the world.

*Website:* [www.blakeschool.org/](http://www.blakeschool.org/)

## CYPRUS CLASSICAL ACADEMY

PK-5 · 6

Cyprus Classical Academy is designed for advanced and gifted children who have the ability to learn beyond the typical school curriculum. Located in Burnsville, Minnesota, Cyprus offers customized and individualized classes and pacing for each student, and each subject is assessed individually. Currently they enroll students in pre-kindergarten through sixth grade.

*Website:* [www.cyprusclassicalacademy.com/](http://www.cyprusclassicalacademy.com/)

## STAR HOMESCHOOL ACADEMY

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

STAR (Scholars Together Always Reaching) is a secular and inclusive group for the families of highly gifted children. Through classroom settings and the ever-important lunch and recess hour, highly gifted children interact with others who are closer to being both intellectual and social peers than they may find in settings geared solely to their age or academic level. The STAR community is self-selected, meaning that it does not require proof of giftedness. Classes are designed for children aged 5-18 (plus limited preschool activities) who tend to succeed when working 2-3 grade levels ahead and moving through material more quickly than traditional classes.

*Website:* [www.homeschool-life.com/mn/star/](http://www.homeschool-life.com/mn/star/)

# MISSOURI

## METRO ACADEMIC & CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL

9-12

Metro Academic and Classical High is a magnet public high school in St. Louis, Missouri. Metro provides a challenging, quality education focused on high standards and expectations in an

atmosphere of unity, enthusiasm, caring, and respect for self, others and the community. They encourage service to the community, while promoting learning in all areas to prepare students to become responsible members of society who can function in a technology oriented world.

*Website: [www.slps.org/Domain/2483](http://www.slps.org/Domain/2483)*

### **NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY DUAL CREDIT PROGRAM**

9-12

Through dual credit, high school students can earn college credit from Northwest Missouri State University while still in high school. Currently, all in high school dual credit courses are taught by high school faculty. Northwest has online dual credit course offerings that are taught by adjunct faculty.

*Website: [www.nwmissouri.edu/kc/dualcredit/index.htm](http://www.nwmissouri.edu/kc/dualcredit/index.htm)*

## **NEVADA**

### **HYDE PARK MIDDLE SCHOOL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS**

6-8

Hyde Park Middle School is a magnet school serving students grades 6 – 8 in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Academy provides opportunities for gifted and high-achieving students to develop their academic talents through Honors and Pre-AP programs in Math, Science, Language Arts, and Social Studies, providing one to two year acceleration in all parts of the middle school curriculum.

*Website: [www.hydeparkms.org/](http://www.hydeparkms.org/)*

### **THE ALEXANDER DAWSON SCHOOL AT RAINBOW MOUNTAIN**

PK-5 · 6-8

The Alexander Dawson School located in Summerlin, a suburb of Las Vegas, Nevada, is a non-sectarian, non-profit school offering students in preschool through eighth grade an inspired and meaningful education. Students achieve their individual potential while savoring life and meeting the challenges of the world.

*Website: [www.adsrm.org/page](http://www.adsrm.org/page)*

### **DAVIDSON ACADEMY**

6-8 · 9-12

The Davidson Academy of Nevada is a free public day school and online campus (Nevada residents) for profoundly gifted middle and high school students. Since 2006, Davidson has offered a unique educational environment for gifted and 2e learners, grouping students by ability and not age. To attend, students must score in the 99.9th percentile on accepted intelligence and/or achievement tests, as well as demonstrate motivation, social and emotional maturity, and an overall readiness for a fast-paced educational environment. Out-of-state students attending the online campus are charged tuition.

*Website: [www.davidsonacademy.unr.edu/](http://www.davidsonacademy.unr.edu/)*

## **NEW HAMPSHIRE**

### **PHILLIPS EXETER ACADEMY**

9-12

Phillips Exeter Academy was co-founded by John and Elizabeth Phillips in 1781 who believed every student should have access to the very best education – one that embraces the ideals of both goodness and knowledge. Now a co-educational residential school with more than 1,000 high school students from the U.S. and 33 foreign countries, Exeter has a centuries-old tradition of academic excellence and a commitment to empowering Exonians to find their place in the world. Phillips Exeter Academy is a community that celebrates curiosity and cultivates potential. With a student-to-teacher ratio of 5:1, more than 450 courses in 18 subject areas, and the opportunity to study on five continents, Exeter provides unparalleled opportunities for discovery and exploration, of both self and subject matter.

*Website: [www.exeter.edu/](http://www.exeter.edu/)*

# NEW JERSEY

## PRIMORIS ACADEMY

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Primoris Academy is a nonprofit 501(c)(3), private school for intellectually gifted learners in Pre-K through 12th grade. They believe that a learning environment befitting their level incites children to perform and develop at their true potential. Therefore, students are placed based on ability rather than by age, and experiential learning is at the core of our approach. Through an accelerated, rigorous program that emphasizes creativity and collaboration, they cultivate our students' ability to think critically and dream big.

*Website:* <http://primorisacademy.org/>

## THE CALAIS SCHOOL

K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

The Calais School is a New Jersey special education private school for students in grades K through 12 Plus with multiple learning disabilities as well as anxiety, mood, behavior and autism spectrum disorders. Students are referred to The Calais School by school districts, health professionals, and concerned parents throughout northern New Jersey. They offer the only program for gifted and talented students with special needs in their Twice Exceptional Program, which has been recognized by the New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) as one of the 10 best programs in the state.

*Website:* [www.thecalaisschool.org/educational-programs/](http://www.thecalaisschool.org/educational-programs/)

# NEW YORK

## BRONX HIGH SCHOOL OF SCIENCE

9-12

Since 1938, the Bronx High School of Science has been one of New York City's most selective public high schools. BHSS is one of 9 specialized high schools located in New York and operated by the New York City Department of Education. Their mission is to provide educational and social opportunities that are unique for gifted and talented students to best prepare them for meaningful and useful roles in science and society.

*Website:* [www.bxscience.edu/](http://www.bxscience.edu/)

## BROOKLYN SCHOOL OF INQUIRY

K-5 · 6-8

Brooklyn School of Inquiry, often referred to as BSI, is a progressive, constructivist New York City public school, located in the Bensonhurst neighborhood of Brooklyn. Their mission is to provide exemplary teaching targeted to the unique needs of our students who become self directed learners and think of themselves as active members of the world community.

*Website:* <https://brooklynschoolofinquiry.org/>

## BROOKLYN TECHNICAL HIGH

9-12

Brooklyn Technical High School, commonly referred to as Brooklyn Tech, is a New York City public high school that specializes in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. They inspire and challenge potentially high achievers to maximize their talents for the benefit of society.

*Website:* [www.bths.edu/](http://www.bths.edu/)

## HOLLINGWORTH PRESCHOOL

Preschool

Hollingworth Preschool is a small university-based preschool on the campus of Teachers College, Columbia University. The preschool serves children ages 3-5. Their child responsive approach is influenced by a range of educational theories. Daily life in the classroom is based on the belief that

children learn best through inquiry, through play, and through experience.

*Website: [www.tc.columbia.edu/hollingworth/preschool/](http://www.tc.columbia.edu/hollingworth/preschool/)*

### **HUNTER COLLEGE CAMPUS SCHOOLS**

**K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

The Hunter College Campus Schools embraces its mission to create a nurturing and vibrant educational environment for intellectually gifted and talented students. The Elementary School (K-6) and the High School (7-12) are predicated upon a deep love for learning and a respect for disciplined habits of mind, depth of study and passion for inquiry.

*Website: [www.hunterschools.org/high-school/high-school-welcome](http://www.hunterschools.org/high-school/high-school-welcome)*

### **LONG ISLAND SCHOOL FOR THE GIFTED**

**PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

The Long Island School for the Gifted (LISG), located in South Huntington, NY, provides an appropriate education for gifted children in pre-kindergarten through ninth grade, in a nurturing environment where they will be both intellectually challenged and comfortable socially, thereby providing these children with the opportunity to grow and develop to their potential.

*Website: [www.lisg.org/](http://www.lisg.org/)*

### **LONG ISLAND WHOLE CHILD ACADEMY**

**K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

The Long Island Whole Child Academy has taken the one-room schoolhouse and revolutionized it into a 21st Century center of experimentation and learning, offering a rigorous and open-ended academic program infused with clinically proven strategies to reduce school-related anxieties, ADHD, and dysregulation. Their team of educational and clinical collaborators work in tandem to deliver the best in gifted educational content designed for each unique child.

*Website: [www.liwholechild.org/](http://www.liwholechild.org/)*

### **MARK TWAIN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL FOR THE GIFTED AND TALENTED**

**6-8**

Mark Twain Intermediate School for the Gifted & Talented sets itself apart from others because of its dual mission. Students are immersed in an environment of academic rigor blended with a full visual art and performing arts experience, all in an extremely supportive environment. Twain is organized into clusters, or mini-schools, of four classes with a team of teachers assigned to each. Clusters are scheduled for conference periods to facilitate interdisciplinary planning, data analysis and communication with parents to discuss student progress.

*Website: <http://is239.schoolwires.com/>*

### **NEST + M SCHOOL**

**K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12**

Located on the Lower East Side of NYC, NEST+m is the only K-12 public school located in Manhattan, and it educates gifted and talented students from all 5 boroughs. NEST+m is committed to nurturing and challenging all forms of giftedness, and to creating an environment that supports all forms of achievement. The school is committed to providing not just an outstanding academic education for all our students, but to creating programs that support their growth as scholars, artists, and citizens of the world.

*Website: <https://nestmk12.net/>*

### **QUEENS HIGH SCHOOL FOR THE SCIENCES**

**9-12**

Queens High School for the Sciences at York College (QHSSYC) is dedicated to providing a rigorous college preparatory curricula emphasizing the sciences and mathematics, in collaboration with York College/CUNY. The philosophy of the school recognizes that students are often more successful in college and careers when nurtured in a small learning community based on high academic expectations.

*Website: [www.qhss.org/](http://www.qhss.org/)*

### **SPEYER LEGACY SCHOOL**

**K-5 · 6-8**

Speyer is the only K-8 independent school for accelerated learners in NYC. It is a place where students are inspired to be intellectually curious and passionate. At Speyer, students are empowered to pursue their intellectual passions, guided by faculty who help them develop the habits of mind and strength of character to realize their extraordinary potential. They learn in a research-based environment that responds and adjusts to match their academic abilities and their emotional development to challenge intellect and nurture integrity. We cultivate a deep understanding of who each child really is – not just as a learner but as a whole person.

**Website:** [www.speyerlegacyschool.org/](http://www.speyerlegacyschool.org/)

### **STUYVESANT HIGH SCHOOL**

**9-12**

Stuyvesant High has served as a premier school for the development of talent in science, mathematics and technology. They are part of eight specialized public high schools established and run by the New York City Department of Education to aimed at serving the needs of academically gifted students.

**Website:** <http://stuy.enschool.org/>

### **TAG YOUNG SCHOLARS**

**K-5 · 6-8**

At the Talented and Gifted School for Young Scholars faculties, parents and students work together to prepare all students to excel in life and develop to their full potential, both intellectually and socially.

**Website:** <http://tagscholars.com/>

### **THE 30TH AVENUE SCHOOL**

**K-5 · 6-8**

The 30th Avenue School, also known as Q300, is a progressive, citywide gifted and talented school designed for bright kids that highlights three core values: inclusion, inquiry and responsibility. Through the inclusion of diverse student identities, inquiry-based learning, and data-driven decision-making, they aim to graduate students who collaborate with others to ask meaningful questions, to solve complex problems, and to engage responsibly with their communities and beyond.

**Website:** [www.ps300q.org/](http://www.ps300q.org/)

### **THE ACADEMY OF TALENTED SCHOLARS**

**K-5**

The Academy of Talented Scholars, also known as TAOTS, is a National Blue Ribbon Award winning “Choice School” in Bensonhurst, Brooklyn (District 20) using the Schoolwide Enrichment Model founded by principal Josephine Sportella-Giusto. With the collaborative efforts of a highly dedicated and qualified staff, TAOTS strives for all of our students to meet and exceed academic standards. They believe in establishing strong partnerships between parents and the community in order to enhance student learning and experiences. In a safe and supportive environment, all students will achieve academic, social, and emotional success.

**Website:** <https://taots.org/>

### **THE ANDERSON SCHOOL P. S. 334**

**K-5 · 6-8**

The Anderson School P. S. 334 is a K-8 public gifted & talented school on the Upper West Side of Manhattan in New York City.

**Website:** [www.ps334school.org/](http://www.ps334school.org/)

### **THE CLARKSON SCHOOL**

**9-12**

The Clarkson School (TCS) is a selective early college program for talented and motivated high school-aged students who enroll as first-year university students at Clarkson University. Students will live in a special living and learning community that provides additional support for personal growth, academic achievement and professional development. Clarkson School students take the

same courses as Clarkson University first-year students and enjoy the same unlimited access to athletics and recreation, the Student Success, Diversity and Inclusion office and clubs and activities.

**Website:** [www.clarkson.edu/clarkson-school](http://www.clarkson.edu/clarkson-school)

### **THE HIGH SCHOOL FOR MATH, SCIENCE & ENGINEERING**

9-12

The High School for Math, Science and Engineering (HSMSE) at The City College of New York is a unique and unparalleled, collaborative, educational experience in which talented students are challenged to expand their intellect and to develop the habits of inquiry, expression, critical thinking, problem seeking as well as problem solving, research and presentation. The academically rigorous learning environment will focus on math, science and engineering while emphasizing civic responsibility and the value of knowledge for its own intrinsic reward.

**Website:** <http://hsmse.org/>

### **THE LANG SCHOOL**

1-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

The Lang School offers high potential, gifted, and twice exceptional (2E) learners in grades 1-12 a child-centered, STEM- and STEAM-driven education informed by the ethics and poetics of the humanities. Curious young minds thrive here – perhaps for the first time – learning at their level with affinity and ability peers in small classes of no more than 12 students. Specially trained educators differentiate the content and delivery of our flexibly standards-based academics, so every student receives an education that fits.

**Website:** [www.thelangschoo.org/](http://www.thelangschoo.org/)

### **THE LOWER LAB SCHOOL NYC**

K-5

At the Lab School, the focus is to meet the needs of students identified as gifted and talented. Their goal is to provide an appropriate education for those students in one of several ways: acceleration, curriculum compacting, and in-depth study. The New York Lower Lab School is a District 2 Gifted and Talented Public Elementary school for students Kindergarten through Fifth grade. Students must apply for admission under the jurisdiction of the New York City Dept of Education.

**Website:** <https://ps77lowerlab.org>

## **NORTH CAROLINA**

### **ASHEVILLE SCHOOL**

9-12

Founded in 1900, Asheville School is one of the few remaining true small boarding schools in America. It is a nurturing community, where the students and faculty genuinely know one another – thanks to family-style seated meals, senior chapel talks and century-old traditions.

**Website:** [www.ashevilleschool.org/](http://www.ashevilleschool.org/)

### **EARLY COLLEGE AT GUILFORD**

9-12

The Early College at Guilford (ECG) is a highly selective public high school with a rigorous curriculum track for students 9th through 12th grade. The mission of the ECG is to make a positive different in the lives of students by providing exceptionally challenging educational opportunities that support academic development at the highest standards. Students take honors and advanced placement courses in the ninth and tenth grades, and college courses with undergraduate students in grades eleven and twelve. Students graduate with a high school diploma and up to two years of credit from Guilford College.

**Website:** [http://ecg.gcsnc.com/pages/Early\\_College\\_At\\_Guilford/About\\_Us](http://ecg.gcsnc.com/pages/Early_College_At_Guilford/About_Us)

### **METROLINA REGIONAL SCHOLARS ACADEMY**

K-5 · 6-8

Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy is a charter school in Charlotte, NC which provides a differentiated and challenging learning environment to support the distinctive intellectual, social, and emotional needs of highly gifted children. Metrolina serves students K through 8th grade.

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Website: [www.scholarsacademy.org/](http://www.scholarsacademy.org/)

## **NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS**

9-12

North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics is the nation's first public residential high school focused on science, technology, engineering, and math. They challenge and inspire talented students from across North Carolina through a residential campus, online program, summer STEM enrichment programs and more!

Website: [www.ncssm.edu/](http://www.ncssm.edu/)

# **OHIO**

## **MENLO PARK ACADEMY**

K-5 · 6-8

Menlo Park Academy is Ohio's only tuition-free K-8 community school focused solely on serving the needs of gifted learners, educating the whole child and offering flexible options for modern families.

Website: [www.menloparkacademy.com/](http://www.menloparkacademy.com/)

## **THE SCHILLING SCHOOL FOR GIFTED**

K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

The Schilling School for Gifted Children is a not for profit, independent, coeducational institution founded in 1997. Nationally, it is one of only two schools serving gifted students K-12. They focus on individualized gifted education, embracing the "whole child" philosophy wherein the mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual facets of a child's development will be nurtured. Their curriculum is not bound by the common core and standardized testing limitations. The unique schedule allows for extensive elective offerings including 9 foreign language options available in all grades.

Website: [www.schillingschool.org/](http://www.schillingschool.org/)

# **ONLINE**

## **LAUREL SPRINGS SCHOOL GIFTED & TALENTED ACADEMY**

6-8 · 9-12

Laurel Springs School is a fully accredited private online school for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade, offering challenging academic programs that honor each child's individual learning style and educational needs. As a distance learning program, the school is able to create an individualized learning plan that is built upon each student's strengths and needs. Additionally, Academy students are placed in the most appropriate courses for their learning level, regardless of their chronological age. Laurel Springs offers experiences for gifted and talented students that develop the intellect, encourage achievement, and nurture academic and personal goals.

Website: <https://laurelsprings.com/academics/gifted-talented-academy/>

## **OAK MEADOW**

K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Oak Meadow provides a flexible, progressive education for independent learners in kindergarten to grade 12. Oak Meadow was founded by a group of parents and teachers seeking to reignite their children's spark for learning. Believing that children are sensitive and intelligent and that learning can be joyfully integrated into life, their approach was progressive, compassionate, and child-centered. They are a fully accredited distance learning school that meets strict professional, academic standards. Their curriculum is print-based by design to reinforce solid reading comprehension and study skills.

Website: [www.oakmeadow.com/](http://www.oakmeadow.com/)

## **PENNSYLVANIA CYBER CHARTER SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Serving students in K-12th grade, the Pennsylvania Cyber Charter School's (PA Cyber) online learning environments, personalized instructional methods, and choices of curricula connect Pennsylvania

students and their families with state-certified and highly-qualified teachers, and rich academic content that is aligned to state standards. Founded in 2000, PA Cyber is headquartered in Midland and maintains a network of support offices throughout the state. As a public school, PA Cyber is open for enrollment by any school-age child residing in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and does not charge tuition to students or families.

**Website:** [www.pacyber.org/](http://www.pacyber.org/)

### **STANFORD ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL**

7-8 · 9-12

The Stanford Online High School (OHS) is an accredited, diploma-granting independent school serving students in grades 7 – 12. The OHS brings together academically talented and motivated students from around the world into a vibrant intellectual community with teachers who are passionate about their disciplines, accomplished in their fields, and above all, dedicated to teaching. Students can customize their school experience with a variety of enrollment options: full-time, part-time, or single-course. OHS offers online instruction which includes live, synchronous seminars on a college-style class schedule, encouraging independence, discipline, and strong time-management skills.

**Website:** <https://ohs.stanford.edu/>

### **TIME4LEARNING**

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Time4Learning provides online curriculum for children in PreK through 12th grade. Their lessons can be used for homeschooling, after-school enrichment, and summer learning.

**Website:** [www.time4learning.com/](http://www.time4learning.com/)

### **TROY UNIVERSITY ACCELERATE DUAL ENROLLMENT ONLINE**

10-12

Troy University's ACCELERATE students enjoy the advantages of earning college credit while still in high school. Since all courses are completed entirely online, this program is flexible enough to fit into any busy schedule and offers a multitude of benefits for schools, students and families.

**Website:** <https://trojan.troy.edu/online/accelerate/>

## **OREGON**

### **ACCESS ACADEMY**

1-5 · 6-8

ACCESS Academy is an alternative, accelerated program for highly gifted students in 1st through 8th grade, located in Portland, Oregon. A vibrant, supportive community of 350 gifted learners, ACCESS Academy provides curriculum acceleration and enrichment options, including a flexible program designed to meet students' needs based on ability level rather than chronological age or grade.

**Website:** [www.pps.net/access](http://www.pps.net/access)

## **PENNSYLVANIA**

### **ACCELERATED HIGH SCHOOL**

9-12

Accelerated High School (AHS) at the University of Pittsburg is a challenging program and an excellent indicator of college readiness. All AHS students are required to meet all Dietrich School course requirements, including extensive inside and outside of class assignments. The University has high expectations for its students to have academic maturity and independence, and AHS encourages students to seek advice to determine if they are ready for the challenge of college courses. Once admitted through AHS, a student can enroll in a maximum of six credits per term as a part-time, non-matriculated student in the Kenneth P. Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences while continuing his or

her high school education. AHS students are subject to the same policies and regulations as all other Dietrich School undergraduates.

**Website:** <http://chs.pitt.edu/accelerated-high-school>

## THE GRAYSON SCHOOL

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-10

The Grayson School is Pennsylvania's only independent school offering an accelerated academic program created specifically for gifted learners. Their innovative, research-based curriculum provides challenging academics, project-based learning, enrichment, and individualized pacing in a safe and nurturing environment for students in grades Pre-K through 10.

**Website:** <http://thegraysonschool.org/>

# SOUTH CAROLINA

## CHARLES TOWNES CENTER

3-5 · 6-8

Housed at the Sterling School in Greenville, South Carolina, the Charles Townes Center is a select program for highly gifted students grades 3-8. The purpose of the Charles Townes Center (CTC) is to provide gifted and talented students with a highly challenging, full-time instructional program that enriches, accelerates, and extends the program of studies in Greenville County Schools. The curriculum in each content area exceeds South Carolina Standards. Differentiation in the depth, breadth, and pace of instruction is designed to challenge the abilities of advanced learners, with strong emphasis on the development of higher order thinking skills.

**Website:** [www.greenville.k12.sc.us/sterling/aboutss.asp](http://www.greenville.k12.sc.us/sterling/aboutss.asp)

## PALMETTO SCHOLARS ACADEMY

6-8 · 9-12

Palmetto Scholars Academy (PSA) is a Gifted and Talented Charter School located in North Charleston, South Carolina. They have an advanced and rigorous curriculum designed to meet the educational, social, and emotional needs of gifted and talented learners. They encourage community involvement and students are required to complete a minimum of ten service hours per academic school year.

**Website:** [www.palmettoscholarsacademy.org/](http://www.palmettoscholarsacademy.org/)

# TEXAS

## ACE ACADEMY

PK-5 · 6-8

ACE Academy is a private, independent school for gifted students in Austin, Texas. ACE offers classes for students from Pre-K to 8th grade in flexible groupings and combines strong, integrated academic curriculum with a global outlook. They are dedicated to bringing gifted students together with one another and with teachers who are passionate about giftedness and creativity.

**Website:** <http://austingifted.wpengine.com/>

## E. A. YOUNG ACADEMY

K-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

E.A. Young Academy is an accredited K-12, not-for-profit private academy dedicated to gifted, talented and high ability scholars in North Richland Hills, Texas. They are passionate about serving the needs of gifted students by providing a creative, challenging and unique learning environment. They believe the essential purpose of education is to empower learners to fully develop their talents and abilities in order to become innovative, problem solving, compassionate stewards of our global community.

**Website:** [www.eayoungacademy.com/](http://www.eayoungacademy.com/)

**EL PASO COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL****PK-5 · 6-8**

El Paso Country Day School (EPCDS) was founded in 1980 by Dr. Laura Alpern to address the need for a quality educational program that serves academically advanced students. EPCDS is a private, non-denominational, non-profit, independent school with a strong academic foundation exceeding the standards of its accrediting agency, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Their education combines excellence in academics, hands-on experiential learning, individualized instruction, and the development of a positive self-concept.

**Website:** <https://epcnds.org/>

**RAINARD SCHOOL****PK-5 · 6-8**

Rainard is a community dedicated to education of gifted students in Pre-K through 8th grade. They are Houston's only non-profit private school for gifted children, helping them to develop socially, emotionally, and academically.

**Website:** [www.rainard.org/](http://www.rainard.org/)

**RUBICON ACADEMY****PK-5 · 6-8**

Rubicon Academy brings education to life for gifted children. Their goal is to prepare students for the competitive global economy that awaits them in the future. They are committed to providing a challenging and enjoyable learning experience for those families who believe that character and academic accomplishment are vital to success.

**Website:** <https://rubiconacademy.com>

**SCHOOL FOR THE TALENTED AND GIFTED****9-12**

Founded in 1982, the School for the Talented and Gifted (TAG) is a college-preparatory magnet high school in the Dallas Independent School District. TAG features a dynamic community of learners who are guided by a dedicated faculty and supported by a rigorous curriculum, both of which prepare them for the most demanding college programs in the country.

**Website:** <http://tagmagnet.org/>

**T.H. ROGERS SCHOOL VANGUARD MAGNET****K-5 · 6-8**

T.H. Rogers is devoted entirely to providing the best education for special needs and gifted children from across the entire district. The specialized staff of over 200 addresses the learning requirements and unique needs of the very diverse student populations. A unique concept in educational programming is promoted in blending three diverse school programs: K-8 Vanguard Magnet, Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Preparing Students for Independence (formerly Program for the Multiply Impaired). The ultimate goal at T.H. Rogers is for each student to become a well-rounded individual, reaching his or her full potential for the world in which he or she lives.

**Website:** [www.houstonisd.org/rogersms](http://www.houstonisd.org/rogersms)

**TEXAS ACADEMY OF MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE****9-12**

UNT's Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science is the nation's first early college entrance residential program for gifted high school students. Mentored by faculty at the University of North Texas, TAMS students tackle complex, real-world problems, working on solutions and breakthroughs in fields ranging from healthcare to energy consumption. TAMS serves as an important pipeline for STEM education, nurturing the next generation of innovators.

**Website:** <https://tams.unt.edu>

# UTAH

## REALMS OF INQUIRY

7-8 · 9-12

Realms of Inquiry, a cooperative learning community that offers an accredited curriculum for grades 7 through 12, is dedicated to providing a supportive learning environment for bright and intellectually creative students. Working closely with faculty, each student designs a program tailored to his or her particular interests and learning style.

*Website:* [www.realmsofinquiry.org](http://www.realmsofinquiry.org)

# VERMONT

## THE PUTNEY SCHOOL

9-12

The Putney School is an independent, progressive high school in Southern Vermont. Since 1935, Putney has been a leader in experiential education, project-based learning and sustainability.

*Website:* [www.putneyschool.org/](http://www.putneyschool.org/)

# VIRGINIA

## EDLIN SCHOOL

K4, K5, 1-5 · 6-8

Edlin is an academically gifted private school for K4, K5, and 1st through 8th grade established in 1989. The school emphasizes a classic curriculum in combination with STEAM and uses proven methods to create the best learning conditions for gifted students.

*Website:* [www.edlinschool.com/](http://www.edlinschool.com/)

## LOUDOUN SCHOOL FOR THE GIFTED

6-8 · 9-12

Loudoun School for the Gifted is the most innovative school in the region of Ashburn, Virginia. It is the only school for advanced middle and high school students, and the first co-educational independent high school in Loudoun County.

*Website:* [www.loudounschoo.org/](http://www.loudounschoo.org/)

## MAGGIE L. WALKER GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL FOR GOVERNMENT AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

9-12

The Maggie L. Walker Governor's School for Government and International Studies (MLWGS) is an innovative public high school offering a comprehensive college preparatory program emphasizing government, international studies, science, mathematics, languages, and fine arts. Established in 1991, MLWGS is the product of a public/private partnership to support the needs and interests of the region's gifted high school students. The school serves students selected on the basis of aptitude and interest in its mission.

*Website:* <http://mlwgs.com/>

## MARY BALDWIN UNIVERSITY EARLY COLLEGE

9-12

Mary Baldwin University offers two programs for high school students who are ready for college: The Early College Program and the Program for Exceptionally Gifted (PEG). The coed Early College offers the opportunity for bright 16- and 17-year-old students to skip their final years of high school and immerse themselves in college at MBU. Program for the Exceptionally Gifted (PEG) is for girls as young as 13 years of age who live in a supervised living-learning residence hall.

*Website:* [www.marybaldwin.edu/early-college/](http://www.marybaldwin.edu/early-college/)

## **NYSMITH SCHOOL FOR THE GIFTED**

PK-5 · 6-8

Founded in 1883, the Nysmith School for Gifted and Talented is a private school located in Herndon, Virginia. Recognized by Johns Hopkins University CTY as one of the 2015 Top 10 Schools in the World, Nysmith allows gifted learners to work at their own level and pace by maintaining small class sizes and low teacher to student ratios. The environment is uniquely supportive because it encourages all gifted children to work toward their potential without fear of social consequences.

*Website:* [www.nysmith.com/](http://www.nysmith.com/)

## **THOMAS JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

9-12

Established in 1985, Thomas Jefferson HS for Science & Technology is a Virginia state-chartered magnet school with a comprehensive curriculum emphasizing the sciences, mathematics, and technology. TJHSST offers specialized programs, including IBET (Integrated Biology, English and Technology), Technical Research Laboratories, and the TJ Mentorship Program. All eligible students must reside in one of six Virginia counties: Arlington, Fairfax, Falls Church City, Loudoun, and Prince William.

*Website:* [www.tjhsst.edu/](http://www.tjhsst.edu/)

# **WASHINGTON**

## **NOVA SCHOOL**

6-8

NOVA Middle School, located in Olympia, Washington, is an intellectual home for highly capable learners, where curiosity is encouraged to expand the mind and meaningful relationships inspire transformation.

*Website:* [www.novaschool.org/](http://www.novaschool.org/)

## **OPEN WINDOW SCHOOL**

K-5 · 6-8

Located in Bellevue, Washington, Open Window School provides a challenging academic curriculum blended with nurturing support from teachers that prepares students for long-term success.

*Website:* [www.openwindowschool.org/page](http://www.openwindowschool.org/page)

## **PIONEER SCHOOL**

K-5

Pioneer School is a K-5 non-profit educational organization, founded in 1980 by Betty Burley-Wolf. They are committed to serving highly capable students whose primary need is academic stimulation and expect to work in partnership with parents who are significantly involved in the education of their children.

*Website:* [www.pioneerschool.com/](http://www.pioneerschool.com/)

## **SEABURY SCHOOL**

PK-5 · 6-8

Seabury is the only independent school in the South Puget Sound area with programs specifically designed for intellectually advanced children in pre-K through 8th grade. Although the instruction at Seabury is individualized and each student is encouraged to grow their individual strengths and talents, students are able to learn together with other intellectually advanced peers. Small class sizes allow their teachers, who have extensive training and experience in education for highly capable learners, to provide differentiated instruction to develop each child's individual talents and strengths.

*Website:* [www.seabury.org/](http://www.seabury.org/)

## **SOUNDVIEW SCHOOL**

PK-5 · 6-8

Soundview School educates preschool through 8th grade students with the International Baccalaureate philosophy. Students learn in flexible, multi-age classrooms that provide personalized learning experiences structured around our core beliefs. The Soundview community is built and

dependent upon close, personal relationships among students, families, and teachers.

*Website: [www.soundview.org/](http://www.soundview.org/)*

## WASHINGTON D.C.

### GEORGETOWN DAY SCHOOL

PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

Georgetown Day School is a coed, preK-12, non-sectarian private school in Washington, DC with small class sizes and a diverse school community. Their comprehensive, innovative curriculum includes hands-on learning, honors and AP classes, as well as advanced-level math and STEM courses. An education is not just college prep and SAT scores. GDS teachers focus on providing the best education for each child, from elementary grades through high school. The school performing arts program includes theater, dance, and music. The athletics program offers competitive sports for student athletes, including cross-country, track, soccer, lacrosse, and crew/rowing. With a strong commitment to financial aid, an independent school tuition is affordable.

*Website: [www.gds.org/](http://www.gds.org/)*

## WISCONSIN

### CONSERVE SCHOOL

9-12

Conserve School is for students who have demonstrated a genuine interest in the natural world and who are motivated to conserve it. This semester-long immersion in environmental studies and outdoor activities deepens students' love of nature, reinforces their commitment to conservation, and equips them to take meaningful action as environmental stewards.

*Website: [www.conserveschool.org/](http://www.conserveschool.org/)*

### EAGLE SCHOOL

K-5 · 6-8

The Eagle School is a K-8th grade school dedicated to serving gifted and talented students. They provide challenging curriculum, supportive social-emotional guidance, small class sizes and a beautiful campus set in a natural setting adjacent to parks, trails, woods, and wetlands.

*Website: <https://eagleschool.org/>*

### LAUNCH

9-12

LAUNCH represents the collaboration of education, business and community, providing students with a unique, immersive experience, resulting in highly skilled, adaptable, global innovators and leaders. LAUNCH provides a unique learning experience where students connect academic and technical knowledge and skills to engage in real-world business problems, projects, needs and ideas. Students will have the opportunity to learn in courses taught by Elmbrook teachers and also be guided by business/industry professionals as they work collaboratively with peers to provide real solutions to business/industry projects/problems.

*Website: <http://launch.yourcapsnetwork.org/>*

### UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MILWAUKEE

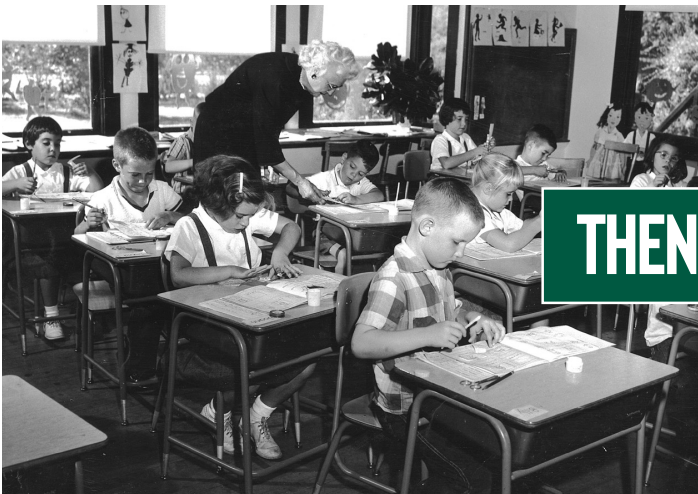
PK-5 · 6-8 · 9-12

The University School of Milwaukee is a pre-kindergarten through 12th grade in the greater Milwaukee area and is one of the top college preparatory schools in the United States. Students are able to accelerate their learning through the school's Summer Institute for Academic Advancement, which offers summer courses to students who wish to continue their academic pursuits outside of the traditional school year.

*Website: [www.usmk12.org](http://www.usmk12.org)*

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Since Harker's founding in 1893 we have offered unrivaled academic programs and extracurricular offerings for students to explore their interests, discover their passions, and develop the skills to succeed in an ever-changing world. We are honored to have educated the students of the valley for over a century and will proudly continue our unwavering commitment to excellence for generations to come.



THEN & NOW



We invite you to learn more about our history, programs and public events, such as the Harker Concert Series and Harker Speaker Series, by visiting our website.

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# IEA PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

## ACADEMY

Academy provides young students performing at the Kindergarten-8th grade levels with challenging summer, after-school and weekend enrichment classes that focus on exploration and application of knowledge.

## CAROLINE D. BRADLEY SCHOLARSHIP

The CDB Scholarship awards highly gifted students with a four-year scholarship to a high school that best fits their individual intellectual and personal needs.

## CONSULTING

IEA provides a variety of consulting services to families with highly gifted children as well as tools and training to help educators support the needs of gifted learners in schools. IEA also hosts free parent support group meetings, and IEA staff members speak at a variety of events and conferences relevant to gifted youth.

## EXPLORE

EXPLORE matches gifted and advanced high school students with distinguished mentors, hands-on research opportunities and professional experience in their field of interest.

## GIFTED RESOURCE CENTER

The GRC is a free, searchable online database that helps students, parents, and educators identify opportunities and resources for gifted children.

## GIFTED SUPPORT GROUP

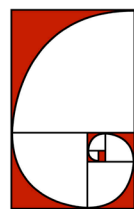
During the school year, IEA offers complimentary monthly gifted support group meetings featuring experts on various aspects of gifted youth. Sharing experiences with parents and educators who interact with gifted kids has proven to be enormously helpful.

## LABS

Learning Among Brilliant Scientists (LABS) advances students' intellectual curiosity and passion for STEM by exposing them to innovative research conducted by brilliant scientists in the field. LABS students gain access to new knowledge and are introduced to the skills needed to be a successful scientific researcher through workshops that include a seminar and hands-on learning experience.

## YUNASA

IEA's pioneering Yunasa summer camps unite highly able youngsters and experts in the social and emotional development of gifted children. In a nurturing setting, campers explore and grow the intellectual, spiritual, emotional, social and physical aspects of their lives.



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