

FIND YOUR FIT



MAGNET SCHOOLS

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WHAT ARE MAGNET SCHOOLS?



- Like magnets attract things, magnet schools attract students who want to learn about a specific theme.

Magnet School Themes:

- International Baccalaureate
 - Leadership & Communications
 - Creative & Performing Arts
 - Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)
- CCSD magnet programming increases student engagement and performance with hands-on and project-based learning.
 - Unique opportunities for learning like field trips, competitions, and performances.



CREATIVE & PERFORMING ARTS



All Creative & Performing Arts Programs

- Students in magnet art programs explore, experience, and produce art in its many forms.
- Students utilize the creative process to connect art with core subjects like reading, writing, and math.



Elementary & Middle School

- Elementary magnet art program students will explore, experience, and produce art in its many forms.
- Middle school magnet art programs allow students to concentrate and develop skills within one specific art specialty.



High School

- Auditions are required for magnet art programs available at Las Vegas Academy and Del Sol Academy.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

What is IB?



IB is a global adventure in learning!

- IB students are inquiring, caring, lifelong learners who embrace each other's differences.

Why IB?



- In IB, students learn a new language and participate in arts, PE, AND design classes.
- IB helps students develop skills for real-world applications, which include exploring global challenges.
- IB prepares students for success in high school, college, and beyond!



STEM

Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) is everywhere from technology to skyscrapers, even predicting the weather and powering up video games.

Elementary & Middle School

- Learning opportunities for STEM are integrated into core subjects (reading, writing, and math).
- Collaboration and project-based learning is evident throughout the school day.

High School

- Students will concentrate and develop skills within one specific STEM specialty.
- Some STEM-based programs require students to meet academic criteria.



LEADERSHIP & COMMUNICATIONS

What is it?

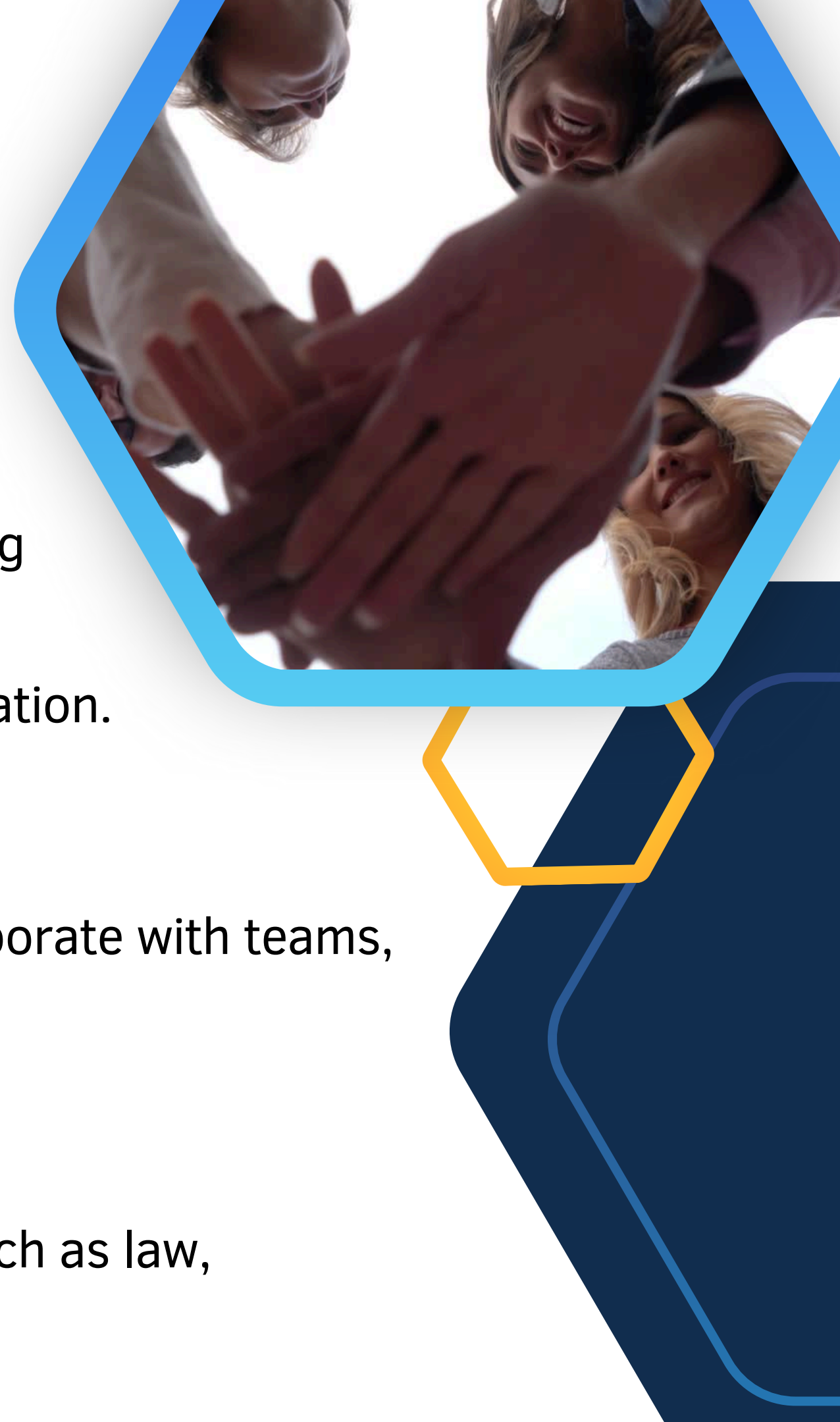
- Leadership and communications is about working together and sharing ideas to make a difference - preparing all students for the future!
- Students focus on responsibility, helpfulness, and effective communication.

Elementary & Middle School

- Students develop as leaders who take initiative, solve problems, collaborate with teams, and demonstrate their abilities to succeed.

High School

- Students will concentrate and develop skills within one specific area such as law, international leadership, law enforcement, etc.



Types of Magnet Schools

Full Magnet School

- Full magnet schools are dedicated entirely to a specialized curriculum, meaning all enrolled students participate in the magnet program.
 - All students must apply to attend
 - High School only-No athletics
 - Magnet students participate at zoned school
 - Southeast Career and Technical Academy is the only CTA with sports

Magnet Program Within a School

- A specialized thematic program is offered within a comprehensive school.



HOW TO ATTEND A MAGNET SCHOOL



01

Find Your Fit

Explore and research magnet school options through school-based open houses, workshops, shadow days, parent sessions, and community events.



02

Apply Online

Complete an application by the deadline, choosing up to three magnet schools or programs that best match your interests.



03

Selection

After the application deadline, applications are entered into the computerized, random lottery system to select students for available magnet seats.



04

After the lottery

Parents/Guardians will receive notifications about the lottery results both online and through email. Possible lottery results include Selected, Alternate Pool, and Not Qualified.

Finding Your Fit



Involve your student in the process



Explore your student's interests



Research schools & programs



Visit school campuses



Transportation Eligibility



Application

- Create a parent/guardian account in the online application system called SchoolMint.
- A maximum of three schools/programs per applicant.
 - Choices ranked in order of preference
 - Additional selections are permitted in the late application if not selected in the initial lottery.
- Changes can be made until the application deadline



DEADLINE:
January 13, 2026



Qualification Requirements

Elementary School K-5	Middle School 6-8	High School 9-12
Interest-Based	Interest-Based	Interest-based Criteria-based Audition-based

Criteria-Based Programs

Academy of Finance (AOF)	Computer Science	Finance and Business Leadership	Veterinary Science
Academy of Math, Science, and Applied Technology (AMSAT)	Cyber Defense and Advanced Computing Technology	Fire Science	
Advanced Computer Science	Cybersecurity	Forensic Science	
Architectural Design	Dental Assisting	Information Technology Systems	
Aviation-Aerospace Engineering	Digital Game Development	International Baccalaureate	
Aviation-Pilot	Emergency Medical Services (Pre-Med)	Medical (all programs)	
BioMedical	Energy Technology	Nursing	
Civil Engineering Technology	Engineering (all programs)	Sports Medicine	

Criteria-Based Point Calculations

First Semester Grade Point Average	
Criteria	Points Assigned
3.50 and above	8
3.00–3.49	6
2.50–2.99	4
2.00–2.49	2
Below 1.99	0

First Semester Mathematics Grade	
Criteria	Points Assigned
A in Pre-Algebra or above	6
B in Pre-Algebra or above	4
C in Pre-Algebra or above	2
D/F in Pre-Algebra or above	0

First Semester English Grade	
Criteria	Points Assigned
A in English 8 or above	6
B in English 8 or above	4
C in English 8 or above	2
D/F in English 8 or above	0

First Semester Science Grade	
Criteria	Points Assigned
A in Science 8 or above	6
B in Science 8 or above	4
C in Science 8 or above	2
D/F in Science 8 or above	0

Total Points	Qualified
26	16 and above

Magnet High School Options

School/Program	Qualification Requirement
Advanced Technologies Academy	
Advanced Computer Science	Criteria-based
Architectural Design	Criteria-based
BioMedical	Criteria-based
Business Management & Marketing	Interest-based
Cybersecurity	Criteria-based
Digital Game Development	Criteria-based
Engineering	Criteria-based
Graphic Design	Interest-based
Basic Academy of International Studies	
International Baccalaureate	Criteria-based
Canyon Springs High School	
Business	Interest-based
Cybersecurity	Criteria-based
Forensic Science	Criteria-based
International Leadership	Interest-based
Law	Interest-based
Multimedia Communications	Interest-based
Robotics	Interest-based

Clark High School	
Academy of Math, Science, and Applied Technology (AMSAT)	Criteria-based
Finance (AOF)	Criteria-based
Teacher Education (TEACH)	Interest-based
Del Sol Academy of the Performing Arts	
Ballet Foklorico	Audition-based
Band-Brass	Audition-based
Band-Percussion	Audition-based
Band-Woodwind	Audition-based
Cinematic Arts	Audition-based
Costume Design	Audition-based
Dance	Audition-based
Mariachi	Audition-based
Orchestra-Upper Strings	Audition-based
Orchestra-Lower Strings	Audition-based
Technical Theatre	Audition-based
Theatre	Audition-based
Visual Arts-2D Design/Visual Design	Audition-based
Vocal	Audition-based

Desert Pines High School	
Culinary Arts	Interest-based
Graphic Design	Interest-based
Marketing	Interest-based
Photography	Interest-based
Pre-Medical	Criteria-based
Radio Production	Interest-based
Video Production	Interest-based
East Career and Technical Academy	
Construction Technology	Interest-based
Culinary Arts	Interest-based
Early Childhood Education	Interest-based
Information Technology Systems	Criteria-based
Marketing/Hospitality and Tourism	Interest-based
Mechanical Technology	Interest-based
Medical Professions	Criteria-based
Sports Medicine	Criteria-based
Teaching and Training	Interest-based

Eldorado High School	
Animation and Digital Media	Interest-based
Cybersecurity	Criteria-based
Digital Game Development	Criteria-based
Military Science-Navy JROTC	Interest-based
Las Vegas Academy of the Arts	
Band-Brass	Audition-based
Band-Percussion	Audition-based
Band-Woodwind	Audition-based
Dance	Audition-based
Guitar	Audition-based
Jazz	Audition-based
Mariachi	Audition-based
Multimedia Arts and Communications	Audition-based
Orchestra-Upper Strings	Audition-based
Orchestra-Lower Strings	Audition-based
Piano	Audition-based
Technical Theatre	Audition-based
Theatre	Audition-based
Video Production	Audition-based
Visual Arts- 3D Design/Sculpture	Audition-based
Visual Arts-2D Design/Visual Design	Audition-based
Visual Arts-Photography	Audition-based
Vocal	Audition-based

Northeast Career and Technical Academy	
Business and Logistics	Interest-based
Computer Science	Criteria-based
Construction Technology	Interest-based
Cybersecurity	Criteria-based
Diesel Technology	Interest-based
Energy Technology	Criteria-based
Engineering and Design	Criteria-based
Human and Social Services	Interest-based
Medical Professions	Criteria-based
Teaching and Training	Interest-based
Northwest Career and Technical Academy	
Biomedical	Criteria-based
Construction Technology	Interest-based
Culinary Arts	Interest-based
Engineering & Design	Criteria-based
Hospitality & Marketing	Interest-based
Mechanical Technology	Interest-based
Teacher Education	Interest-based
Veterinary Science	Criteria-based
Rancho High School	
Aviation-Aerospace Engineering	Criteria-based
Aviation-Pilot	Criteria-based
Medical-Pre Medical	Criteria-based

South Career and Technical Academy	
Advanced Manufacturing and Robotics	Interest-based
Biomedical Science and Technologies	Criteria-based
Civil Engineering Technology	Criteria-based
Cyber Defense and Advanced Computing Technology	Criteria-based
Education and Leadership	Interest-based
Engineering and Energy Technologies	Criteria-based
Entertainment and Sports Marketing	Interest-based
Finance and Business Leadership	Criteria-based
Sports Medicine	Criteria-based
Southeast Career and Technical Academy	
Advanced Manufacturing	Interest-based
Architectural Design	Criteria-based
Automotive Technology	Interest-based
Construction Technology	Interest-based
Cosmetology	Interest-based
Culinary Arts	Interest-based
Cybersecurity	Criteria-based
Medical Professions	Criteria-based
Photography and Graphic Design	Interest-based
Sports Medicine	Criteria-based
Teaching & Training	Interest-based

Southwest Career and Technical Academy	
Automotive/Diesel Technology	Interest-based
Culinary	Interest-based
Dental Assisting	Criteria-based
Digital Game Technology	Criteria-based
Fashion Design	Interest-based
Multimedia Communications	Interest-based
Nursing	Criteria-based
Teacher Education	Interest-based
Video Production	Interest-based
Spring Valley High School	
International Baccalaureate	Criteria-based
Valley High School	
Hospitality and Tourism/Marketing (AOHT)	Interest-based
International Baccalaureate	Criteria-based
Military Science, Cyber Technology and Emergency Management (MSTEM)	Interest-based

Veterans Tribute Career and Technical Academy	
911 Dispatch	Interest-based
Emergency Medical Services (Pre-Med)	Criteria-based
Forensic Science	Criteria-based
Fire Science	Criteria-based
Law Enforcement	Interest-based
West Career and Technical Academy	
Biomedical Studies	Criteria-based
Biotechnology	Criteria-based
Business Management	Interest-based
Cybersecurity	Criteria-based
Digital Art and Design	Interest-based
Engineering	Criteria-based
Environmental Sciences	Criteria-based
Nursing	Criteria-based
Sports Medicine	Criteria-based

Application Preferences

Sibling Preference

- The sibling must currently be enrolled in and attending the magnet school to which the applicant applies as their first choice on-time application.
- Concurrent enrollment in the upcoming school year

Sibling = brother, sister, stepbrother, or stepsister living in the same household



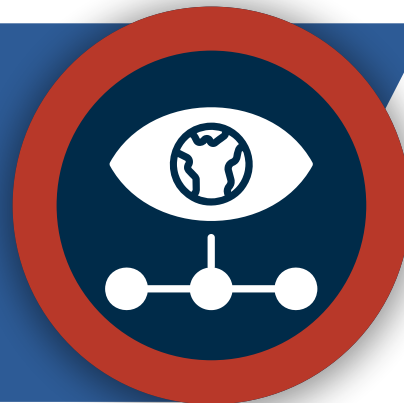
Feeder Preference

- The qualified applicant is currently enrolled in a magnet elementary or middle school when applying to an entry grade level at a magnet middle or high school.



Geographic Preference

- The qualified applicant lives in the magnet school's geographic preference area established by the CCSD Demographics & Zoning Department.



Transportation

- Transportation preference is only given to Career & Technical Academy applicants.
- The qualified applicant lives within the established CTA transportation zone



****If qualified applicants are twins/multiples and one twin/multiple is accepted through the general lottery, the other qualified twin/multiple will also be accepted into the school if they applied by the specified deadline. Applicants must apply to the same school.**

Application Timeline



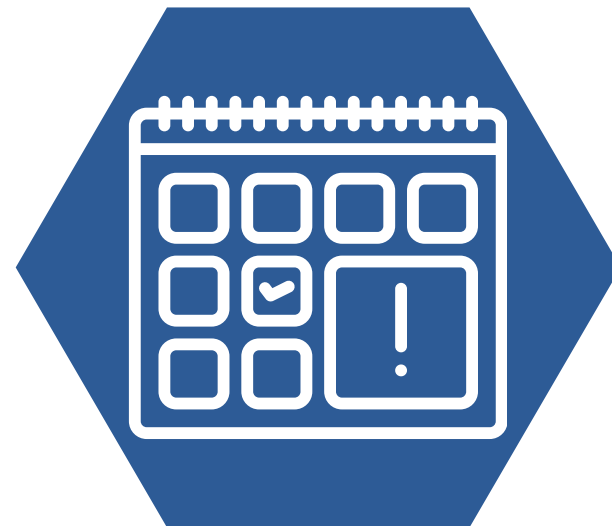
October 2025
Application Open



March 2026
Lottery Results Available



August 21, 2026
Magnet Enrollment ends for
2026–2027 School Year



January 13, 2026
Application Due Date



March 2026
Late Application Available

Lottery & Acceptance

If there are more qualified applicants than seats available, the selection is completed through a **computerized random lottery**.

After the Lottery

- Parents/guardians notified of lottery status via email/text.
- Results available on the parent application dashboard.

Lottery Results

Selected

- The student has been chosen in the lottery.
- Parent/Guardian must log into the parent account and accept the seat by the specified deadline.
 - All other choice applications will be auto-declined upon accepting a selected seat, including Open Enrollment & Central Technical Training Academy applications.
- Schools will communicate “next steps” for registration.

Alternate Pool

- The number of applicants exceeded the number of available seats.
- The student remains in “alternate pool” status until if/when a seat becomes available until the second week of the following school year.

Not Qualified

- This status is only given for high school criteria-based and audition-based programs.
- The student does not meet the criteria required to be considered in the lottery for this magnet program.

Magnet Student Expectations

Selected students sign a Magnet Contract, agreeing to expectations for enrollment.

- The **CCSD Magnet School** becomes the student's "assigned" school.
- Students will remain enrolled in the magnet school for the entire school year.
- Students must maintain good attendance and demonstrate satisfactory behavior.
- Students must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA.
- Students who do not follow the expectations outlined in the CCSD Magnet Contract may be placed on probation or dismissed from the magnet school.



TRANSPORTATION

Does your child need a bus to school?

YES

You may qualify to ride the bus to a magnet school if you live within the transportation zone.

NO

Calculate the distance and drive time between your home and the magnet school.

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Transportation Maps available at magnet.ccsd.net
OR
Visit CCSD Transportation website

Contact Us

All questions and requests for information should go to the student's CCSD magnet school of choice.



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