

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT MAGNET PROGRAMS

General Magnet FAQs

FAQ's as provided by the Office of Magnet and Curriculum Enhancement Programs

1. Application process opens on October 16th and closes on January 25th for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year. Applicants may apply anytime during this period. It is **not** based on a first come first serve basis.
2. If you apply from private, charter or home school, the prospective student must register at their base school before January in order to get a student ID number. For enrollment information visit <http://www.wcpss.net/enroll>.
3. Students are allowed to apply to several magnet and year-round schools; rank them in order of preference.
4. If a student does not get their first choice, they will be assigned to the applicant pool ('wait list') for that school only. This pool will be processed early April if seats are available. Students/Parents will receive an email to notify them if they are selected.
5. If you are selected for a magnet school and you choose to decline, you must reapply to your base school through the transfer process that begins in February.
6. All magnet applications must be completed online. A Parent/Guardian must create a parent account to apply.
7. Students may be assigned to an express bus location if you are not going to provide your own transportation. Check with the magnet office for clarification concerning transportation.
8. Selection is done through a weighted lottery. A brief description is below. See the WCPSS Magnet site for more details. Priority Points are determined by the following:
 - a. Siblings for returning students. Siblings must apply and are linked by address
 - b. Students living in a high performing area in order to create diversity.
 - c. Students assigned to overcrowded schools.
 - d. Priority given to 8th grade students within the magnet pathway, if application is received.
10. Parents will be notified through their account in February concerning the application status.
11. Magnet pathway schools for Brentwood include: Centennial Middle and Carroll Middle. Our pathway for high school is Southeast Raleigh and Athens Drive. Families may apply to other magnet middle and high schools but they will have priority status to the schools listed above.

If you have a question not addressed here, please contact:

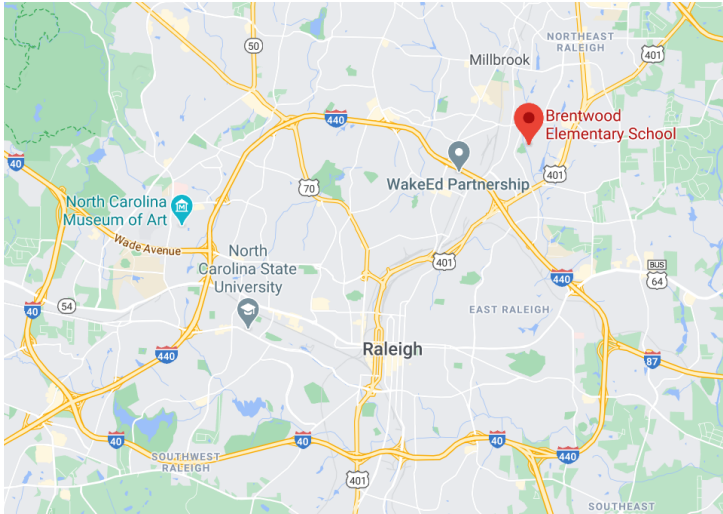
- Brentwood's Magnet Coordinator, Kristen McBryde at kmcbryde@wcpss.net or 919-850-8720
- WCPSS Magnet Communications at magnetcenter@wcpss.net or 919-533-7295.

Brentwood Magnet FAQs

★ **What are your school hours?**

- We are a traditional school and our instructional day is 8:30-3:00. Students may be dropped off as early as 8:00.

★ **Where are you located?**



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★ **How many students are in each class?**

- Our average class sizes vary from grade to grade but range from 14-22.

★ **Do you offer a before and after school program?**

- Currently we have an Afterschool program facilitated by Raleigh Parks and Rec. It is held on the Brentwood campus 3:00 - 6:00 PM on student instructional days for an additional cost. We do not offer a before school program but students can be dropped off as early as 8:00.

★ **What is a typical schedule?**

- We follow district-wide minute requirements for each subject area. Students have daily lunch, recess, and specials. Below is an example of a Kindergarten schedule.

■ 8:30-8:45	Morning Meeting
■ 8:45-9:15	English Language Arts (Letterland)
■ 9:15-10:00	Specials
■ 10:00-10:10	Snack and Read Aloud
■ 10:10-12:10	English Language Arts (Small groups, whole group, and writing)
■ 12:10-12:40	Lunch
■ 12:40-1:10	Recess
■ 1:10-1:55	STEM
■ 1:55-3:00	Math

★ **Do you offer electives?**

- Students do not have electives. Each student participates in a specials rotation each week that includes STEM, Music, Art, Media, and PE.