

# DISCOVER THE MAGNET ADVANTAGE.

Wake County's award-winning magnet schools create well-rounded students by challenging them with programs tailored to their strengths and exposing them to new experiences. Innovative and pioneering programs encourage students to think creatively and analytically to solve problems, while diverse student body populations enable students to explore their world from a different perspective. Wake County magnet schools provide students the tools they need to see things differently.



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# WHAT THEY ARE SAYING.



"Stephanie loves to build things. As soon as something is done, she starts asking herself how could it be improved. This leads to rebuilds and amazing structures. You can see that she is putting the engineering approach to work for her."

**Roy and Jennifer Harwell**, parents of Stephanie Harwell, a 5th grade student at Brentwood Magnet Elementary School of Engineering and Research Triangle Park's STEM Student of the Year



"By Christmas, the entire kindergarten class knew their numbers and many words, and could easily follow the teacher's instructions in Chinese. They're like sponges. They absorb the language so quickly. It's amazing."

**Maria Sawyer**, mother of Robert Sawyer, now a 3rd grade student Stough Chinese Language Immersion Magnet Elementary School.



"Our teachers use their gifts and talents to support our students as they discover *their* gifts and talents. Our magnet theme produces well-rounded students, because students are given opportunities to explore areas they might not otherwise try."

**Jenni Johnson**, magnet coordinator at Hunter Gifted and Talented Magnet Elementary School.

## SAVE THE DATES.



### MAGNET ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS MINI-FAIRS

**JANUARY 4, 2018**

Farmington Woods Magnet Elementary School  
9:30AM - 11AM

**JANUARY 9, 2018**

Green Magnet Elementary School  
9:30AM - 11AM

**JANUARY 17, 2018**

Washington Magnet Elementary School  
10AM - 11:30AM

### OPEN HOUSES

**JANUARY 10, 2018**

Year-Round Elementary Schools

**JANUARY 11, 2018**

Year-Round Middle Schools

### MAGNET APPLICATION PERIOD

**JANUARY 2018**



# POINT OF PRIDE.

The Wake County Public School System has been a leader in the magnet school movement since 1982. We now host more than 20 programs in over 40 schools. Every single year, the vast majority of our magnet schools are recognized by Magnet Schools of America as either schools of Excellence or Distinction. We invite you to explore all of our magnet themes to find those that best meet the unique strengths and interests of your child.



Does your child love to...	Then consider this theme...	Theme description	Schools where theme is offered
<b>Tinker and build?</b>	Engineering	Students learn science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) in ways that make learning fun, working together to solve real world problems.	Brentwood Magnet Elementary School
<b>Use computers to create?</b>	Design and Computer Sciences OR Entrepreneurial Design	Students use state-of-the-art technology, including robotics and 3D printers, to engage in hands-on, project-based learning. There is strong emphasis on helping students apply their learning in the real world.	Bugg or Conn magnet elementary schools
<b>Explore nature?</b>	Environmental Connections	Students will have daily hands-on opportunities to investigate and connect with the natural world.	Lincoln Heights and Millbrook magnet elementary schools
<b>Dream of being a world leader?</b>	Leadership & World Languages	Students receive regular instruction in a foreign language. They also learn leadership skills modeled on <i>The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People</i> .	Combs and Green magnet elementary schools
<b>Speak another language?</b>	Language Immersion	Students can become fluent in a second language, either Spanish or Mandarin, by receiving classroom instruction in that language.	Stough (Mandarin), Jeffreys Grove (Spanish) and Hodge Road (Spanish) magnet elementary schools
<b>Go on adventures?</b>	Museums	Through partnerships with local museums, arts centers, and government organizations, students are engaged in learning beyond the classroom walls.	Brooks Magnet Elementary School
<b>Learn about other countries and people?</b>	International Studies	Teachers have four guiding concepts: recognizing perspectives, investigating the world, taking action and communicating ideas. Students receive daily study in a world language.	Wiley Magnet Elementary School
<b>Indulge curiosities and be challenged?</b>	International Baccalaureate	An internationally standardized program of study, recognized worldwide for its rigor and high academic standards.	Farmington Woods, Fox Road and Smith magnet elementary schools
<b>Explore lots of different areas?</b>	Gifted and Talented	Students can choose from a wide array of electives: Architecture, Theater Production, Coastal Ecology, Orchestra, Mystical Mythology, Robotics and more than 100 others.	Fuller, Hunter, Poe, Underwood, Washington and Zebulon magnet elementary schools
<b>Learn through play?</b>	Play and Ingenuity	Teachers will use game-like learning to teach students about strategy, cooperation, communication skills, and problem solving. In grades K-2, learning happens through play-based experiences. In grades 3-5, students learn through game design and prototyping.	Powell Magnet Elementary School
<b>Be independent?</b>	Montessori	This time-honored educational approach offers a nurturing and supportive learning environment that develops the whole child, including social, emotional, academic, and physical needs.	Kingswood Magnet Elementary
<b>Connect with neighbors and community organizations?</b>	Interactive Community	Students focus on experiences that develop a sense of community, both inside and outside the school building.	Partnership Magnet Elementary School



## CHARGE UP FOR COLLEGE!

For two decades, Southeast Raleigh Magnet High School has offered second-to-none opportunities for students to design and build using the latest technologies. That won't change with the school's new magnet theme, University Connections: Design, Art and Engineering. Now, the school will be offering even more, including strong partnerships with N.C. State and other local colleges. Students can choose college and career pathways in Design, Visual & Performing Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences or Engineering, Math & Sciences.

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# MAGNET APPLICATION PERIOD

**JANUARY 2018**  
APPLY ONLINE

### HOW TO APPLY

- **EXPLORE** magnet options  
[www.wcpss.net/magnet](http://www.wcpss.net/magnet)
- **IDENTIFY** the magnet programs that host programs for your address at [wcpss.net/eligible](http://wcpss.net/eligible)
- **ATTEND** open houses, information sessions and school tours
- **APPLY** by creating a parent account January 2018
  - Identify 1-5 schools to which you would like to apply
  - Rank as first choice, second choice, third choice
  - Apply anytime during the application period
- **CHECK** for a notification on February 2018 in parent account



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