



Northeast Zone Elementary School Selection Booklet

for School Year 2020-21



KINDERGARTEN APPLICATION DEADLINE: **MARCH 27, 2020**

If your child turns 5 on or before December 1, 2020, it's time to register for Kindergarten classes that start in September, 2020.

If your child currently has a student ID number, you can complete the registration process at the RCSD Expo & Fair, your child's current preschool program, or the Office of Student Equity and Placement.

If your child is new to the RCSD, they will not have a student ID number. You must come to the Office of Student Equity and Placement in person to register your child before participating in the lottery. Please see page 4 for more information.

This booklet explains the selection process and provides information on the District's elementary schools. For more detailed information, visit our website at www.rcsdk12.org or:

[Speak to a School Selection Specialist](#)
Office of Student Equity and Placement
131 West Broad Street
Monday through Friday
8:00 am to 4:30 pm
585-262-8241

[Attend the RCSD Expo & Fair](#)
Saturday, January 11, 2020
10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Wilson Foundation Academy
200 Genesee Street, 14611

[Learn about school performance at: data.nysed.gov](http://data.nysed.gov)

Type in the name of any school you are interested in for complete report card information.

To participate in the lottery for a chance to obtain your school of choice, you must apply by March 27, 2020.

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Choosing an Elementary School is Important



Kindergarten is an important milestone on your child's educational journey. Your child will make friends, develop social skills, and learn the basics he or she needs to succeed in later school years.

This booklet provides information on all Rochester schools with Kindergarten. All District schools provide services to students in both general and special education. For detailed information regarding special education services at each school, please contact the Department of Special Education at 262-8220.

It is important to note that the information in this booklet is subject to change based upon recommendations made by the Superintendent and Board of Education.

Transportation is provided to students who live more than 1.5 miles from the school they attend.

Make an informed school choice!

- **Attend the RCSD Expo & Fair on January 11, 2020.**
Explore school options for students in all grades, Pre-K to 12.
- **Visit schools you are considering.**
In-person visits are a great way to learn before you choose.

Here's how it works

By participating in the lottery, families have a chance to enroll in an elementary school in their zone or one of our "citywide" schools. Space is limited, so you must apply before March 27, 2020 and participate in the lottery to be placed in one of the schools you select.

There are two ways your child can qualify for immediate placement in a school you want for Kindergarten:

1. You select your neighborhood school.
2. You have a sibling attending a school in your zone.

Even if your child qualifies for immediate Kindergarten placement as described above, you must apply by March 27, 2020, to be assured an immediate placement seat.

If your child regularly attends a District Pre-K program in your zone, the lottery is designed to give you preference at that school. The school must be in your zone and selected as your first choice.

The Kindergarten lottery process

A computer assigns a random number to each student who has submitted an application by March 27 (there is no preference given to applications submitted early). Students are placed in their first choice school if there are Kindergarten seats available in that school. If students do not receive their first choice, they will be placed in their next choice if there is space in that school. The process continues until all students have been placed. Every student is enrolled in the school as close as possible to his or her top choice.

To select a citywide school, choose it on the lottery application and that school becomes your top choice. In addition, you still need to rank 4 zone schools. The lottery system will try to place your child in your citywide choice first. If your child cannot be placed in the citywide school, the lottery system will place him or her in one of the other schools within your zone that you ranked on the application.

If you do not receive your first-choice school, you will be placed on a waiting list for that school and your child will be placed in one of the other ranked schools. If space becomes available prior to October 31, 2020, you will be contacted by the Office of Student Equity and Placement and given the option to move your child into that school.

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can register for Kindergarten?

If your child turns 5 on or before December 1, 2020, it's time to register for Kindergarten classes that start in September 2020.

When is the application deadline?

In order to participate in the Kindergarten lottery, you must apply on or before March 27, 2020.

What are my chances of getting my first choice school?

Students who participate in the lottery have consistently received their first choice school between 75% and 85% of the time. You must apply by March 27, 2020.

What happens to students who do not apply by March 27, 2020?

Students who do not participate in the lottery are placed in a school where space is available after the selection process is complete.

What happens if my selected school closes before the 2020-21 school year?

Occasionally, the District or the State decides that a school does not have the academic performance to remain open. Sometimes the facility is no longer adequate to meet the academic standards of the cutting edge technology expected to be delivered to today's students.

- If the lottery process has not begun, you will be asked to resubmit your school choices.
- If the lottery program is already in motion, that school will be removed from your selection, and your other rankings will move forward in order. In other words, if your first choice school closes, your second choice school becomes your first choice.

Steps for Participating in the Kindergarten Lottery:

Step 1: Learn about your school options.

Step 2: Prioritize your school selections (order your choice 1st, 2nd, 3rd...).

Step 3: Complete the application in this book by March 27, 2020.
You may also complete this step in person at the Office of Student Equity and Placement.

Step 4: All families will be notified of their child's school assignment in May of 2020.

Steps for Registering Your Child in Kindergarten:

For Children without an RCSD Student ID Number

Documents Needed for Registration:

Child's Identification

- Birth certificate

Proof of Address (*one of the following*)

- Rent/lease contract—must be dated within a month
- Mortgage statement
- Current utility bill
- Pay stub with address

Proof of Guardianship

- Parent ID
- Guardianship papers if different than birth certificate

Child's Immunization Record (*if available*)

Updated immunizations are required to attend school.

If you don't have any of the documents listed above, visit www.rcsdk12.org/enroll for a complete list of acceptable documentation.

School Badges Key



This school is actively engaged and on the journey to becoming a restorative school. This may include formal and informal practices to strengthen the school community in building relationships, repairing harm when it occurs.



This school is actively engaged and held as an exemplar model in restorative schools. This includes formal and informal practices to strengthen the school community in building relationships and repairing harm when it occurs, and engagement of students in restorative leadership.



Expeditionary Learning focuses on project-based learning, where students engage in interdisciplinary presentations and portfolios related to a group learning expedition.



The health center team includes a nurse practitioner, psychiatrist, primary mental health therapist, case managers, medical assistants, and other dedicated staff. Services include immunizations, physical exams, blood work, reproductive health, treatment of injuries or illnesses, prescriptions for minor conditions, and counseling for behavioral health issues.



Expanded learning time extends learning time beyond the traditional school day and school year to provide broader, more enriching learning experiences for students.



Community schools act as a hub, offering a coordinated approach to connect and cultivate assets in the community and to link families to services, so that educators can focus on teaching and students can focus on learning.



Probability of getting this school as your first choice (based on the 2019 lottery) is 90% or above



Probability of getting this school as your first choice (based on the 2019 lottery) is 75% or less



Probability of getting this school as your first choice (based on the 2019 lottery) is 25% or less

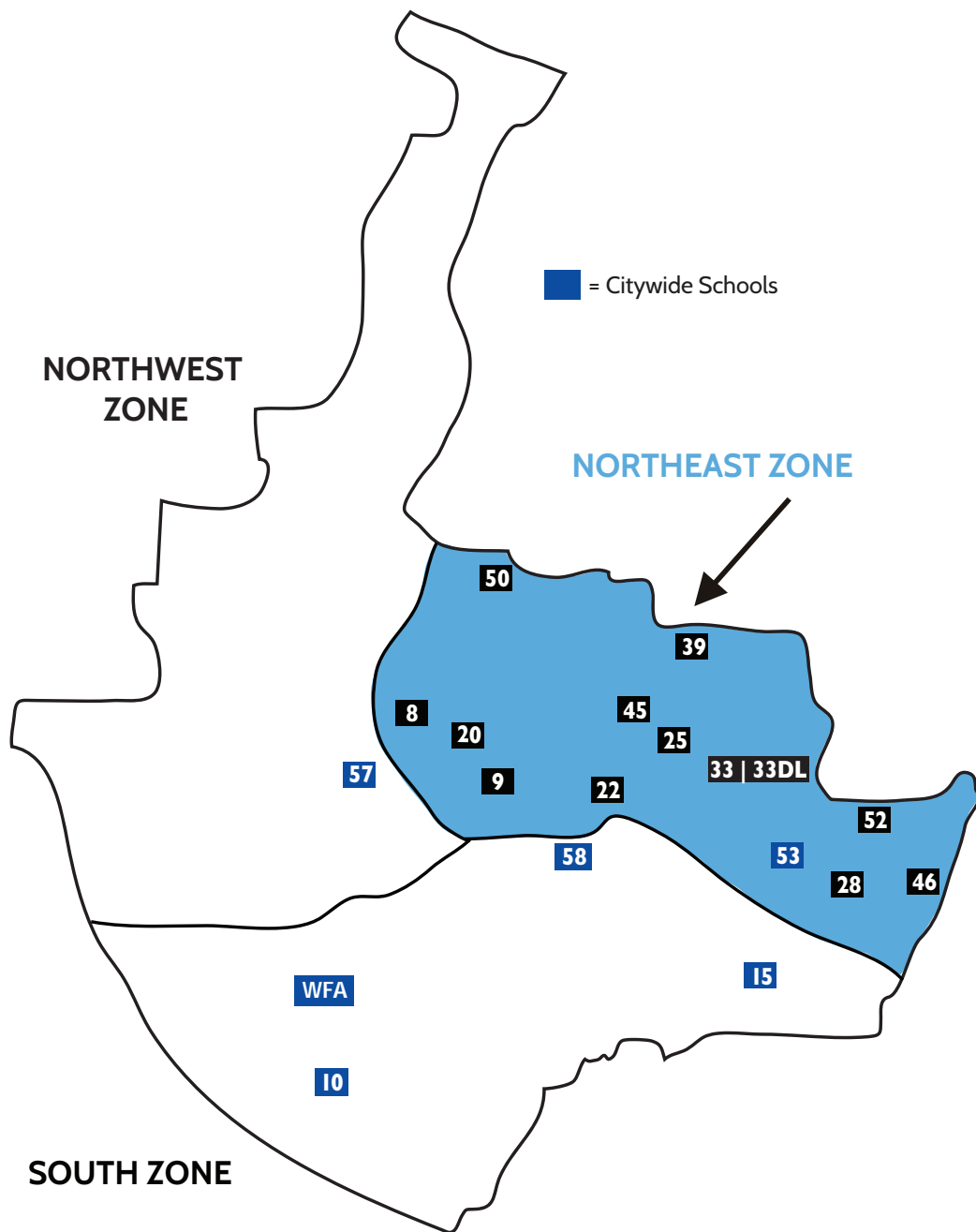
You live in the **NORTHEAST ZONE**, the following schools are available to your child:

Schools in the Northeast Zone:

- Roberto Clemente School No. 8
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. School No. 9
- Henry Lomb School No. 20
- Abraham Lincoln School No. 22
- Nathaniel Hawthorne School No. 25
- Henry Hudson School No. 28
- John James Audubon School No. 33
- Dual Language Program at School No. 33
- Andrew J. Townson School No. 39
- Mary McLeod Bethune School No. 45
- Charles Carroll School No. 46
- Helen Barrett Montgomery School No. 50
- Frank Fowler Dow School No. 52

Citywide Schools:

- Dr. Walter Cooper Academy School No. 10
- The Children's School of Rochester No. 15
- Montessori Academy School No. 53
- Early Childhood School of Rochester No. 57
- World of Inquiry School No. 58
- Joseph C. Wilson Foundation Academy No. 68



Roberto Clemente School No. 8

PreK-8
SCHOOL



1180 St. Paul Street
Rochester, NY 14621
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Parent Contact: Lakita Munden
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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **No**
Foreign Languages: **Spanish**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships:
Rochester Rotary, AmeriCorps, Black Physicians Network, Eastman Dental SMILEmobile, Center for Youth, Rochester Police Department (Clinton Avenue Section), YMCA, Children's Institute - Primary Project, St. Thomas Episcopal Church, IBERO-Project Clean, Lincoln Library, EL Education, Genesee Community Charter School, Common Ground Health, Healthi Kids NY, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Therapy Dog International, Assisi Institute, Foodlink Curbside Market, Finger Lakes Health, U of R Hoekelman Center, 4-H, WXXI

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Motto is "We Are Not Spectators, We Are Members Of A TEAM."
- Expanded Learning Time (ELT) School: Students receive additional time for academic, social-emotional, and enrichment opportunities beyond those offered during a traditional school day.
- Students participate in expeditions with the Common Core standards as the driving forces, which provide in-depth, cross-curricular opportunities where students explore a particular topic or idea.
- Through the partnership with EL Education, School No. 8 dedicates all resources to preparing students for high school with a focus on college skills.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. School No. 9

PreK-6
SCHOOL



485 Clinton Avenue North
Rochester, NY 14605
(585) 325-7828 • www.rcsdk12.org/9

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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships:
Rochester ViaHealth School-Based Health Center, AmeriCorps, Nazareth College, Adopt-A-Kindergarten, Adopt-A-Grandparent, Boy Scouts of Western NY, Christ Church of Pittsford, Junior Achievement, Brockport College, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Women Helping Girls, Metro-Justice

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Expanded Learning Time (ELT) School: Students receive additional time for academic, social-emotional, and recreational opportunities beyond those offered during a traditional school day.
- The Blossoming Reading program supports English Language Learners by developing literacy in the student's first language while also teaching English. The faculty utilizes various teaching models to accelerate core academic skill development in the student's native language as well as English, so that students can advance and participate in dual language or English classes.
- The STEM program offers opportunities in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. It incorporates technology and engineering into the regular curriculum. The program teaches independent innovation and allows students to explore greater depths of all subjects by utilizing the skills learned.

Henry Lomb School No. 20

PreK-6
SCHOOL



54 Oakman Street
Rochester, NY 14605
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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **No**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Summer Programs: **No**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Avenue D and Volunteers of America Child Care, David Gantt Center, Valley Manor Senior Living, Church Volunteers**

90%
OR ABOVE

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Technology: the school features two large computer labs and a mini-lab housed in the library.
- Physical activity and healthy eating: School No. 20 supports healthy habits, which include daily exercise and eating healthy foods.
- Playworks Program: Playworks is an Oakland-based national nonprofit organization that supports learning and physical health by providing safe and inclusive play to low-income students in urban schools.
- Student participation in programs: Cheerleading, Safety Patrol, Valley Manor field trips, Swain Ski Club, Chess Club.

Abraham Lincoln School No. 22

PreK-6
SCHOOL



595 Upper Falls Blvd.
Rochester, NY 14605
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Matthew.McCrea@rcsdk12.org

FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **Spanish**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Baden Street Settlement, Eastman Rochester New Horizons, First Unitarian Church of Rochester/UU22, Anthony Jordan Health Center, Monroe County Department of Human Services, Scott Spino Foundation, SMILEmobile, Common Ground Health, Nazareth College**

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SCHOOL FEATURES

- Expanded Learning Time (ELT) School: Students receive additional time for academic, social-emotional, and recreational opportunities beyond those offered during a traditional school day. Enrichment opportunities include Cheerleading, Yoga, Science Clubs, Math Mysteries, Step, Basketball, Lego Club.
- Bilingual Services:
 - Support native Spanish speakers through a One-Way Dual Language Enrichment Model in which students receive instruction in both English and Spanish, grades K-6.
 - Appreciation for bilingualism, Hispanic culture, and Spanish-speaking families is evident within the building and through various activities and celebrations that take place throughout the school year.

Nathaniel Hawthorne School No. 25

PreK-6
SCHOOL



965 Goodman Street North
Rochester, NY 14609
(585) 288-3654 • www.rcsdk12.org/25

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Magaly.Montalvo@rcsdk12.org

75%
OR LESS

FACTS

Uniforms Required: **No**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Kiwanis, Reformation Lutheran Church, Joy Community Church, Nazareth College, St. John Fisher College, Bishop Kearney Key Club, Allendale Columbia, Brighter Days Foundation, Scott Spino Foundation, Junior Achievement, Unity Health, Children's Institute, Foster Grandparents Program/Community Place, Center for Youth, East Irondequoit School District, Monroe Community College Dental Hygiene Clinic, Flaum Eye Institute, McSkipp, Healthi Kids, Bausch & Lomb, University of Rochester**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- STEPS Program (Speech/Language Therapy to Encourage Production of Sound), an eclectic approach to oral language development, integrates the communication processes of listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
- Differentiated instruction ensures that students are active in the learning process and are working to meet their potential.
- Collaborative Literacy Reading and Writing Program, where the curriculum authentically integrates social and emotional learning with literacy.
- Professional development program with St. John Fisher College and Nazareth College, which supports professional and student learning through the use of an inquiry-orientated approach to teaching.
- Parent involvement evening activities include Hispanic Heritage Night, Parents Supporting the Common Core Information Night, ELA/Math Game Night, Multicultural Night, Storytelling Night, and Black History Night.
- After-school clubs include School Newspaper Club, Boys Club, Girls Club, Community Garden Club, Storytelling Club, Godly Divas, annual musical combined with Durand-Eastman Middle School.

Henry Hudson School No. 28

K-8
SCHOOL



450 Humboldt Street
Rochester, NY 14610
(585) 482-4836 • www.rcsdk12.org/28

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Carmen.Torres@rcsdk12.org

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SCHOOLS

75%
OR LESS

FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **Spanish, Grade 8**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **East High School, Mercy High School, Honeoye Falls-Lima High School, Leadership Rochester, Harris Corp., Xerox Corp., St. Mary's Church, Jewish Literacy Program, Community Place Grandparents Program, Buffalo State College**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- A warm and nurturing school where students learn from a knowledgeable and caring staff. At School No. 28, "We build on every child's strength, every day, to ensure college and career readiness."
- Fully bilingual school, supporting students and families in Spanish and in English.
- Focus on literacy, integrating reading and writing into all of the content areas, including math and science, following the New York State Common Core Standards.
- Celebrate student successes at monthly STAR assemblies with families throughout the year.
- Strong character education that teaches good citizenship and prepares students for success in later years.

John James Audubon School No. 33

PreK-6
SCHOOL



500 Webster Avenue
Rochester, NY 14609
(585) 482-9290 • www.rcsdk12.org/33

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Mary.Munoz@rcsdk12.org
Parent Contact: Mary Peoples
Mary.Peoples@rcsdk12.org



FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **Spanish (Dual Language Program)**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Area colleges, Ryan Recreation Center, Sully Library, Foster Grandparent Program, Northeast Area Development (NEAD), Scribner Road School, Browncroft Church Volunteers, Books & Blankets Program, City of Rochester Bureau of Youth Services, area Rotary Clubs, School-Based Health Center through Rochester General Hospital**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Strong instructional focus that prepares students to meet academic standards in reading, writing, computation, and problem solving.
- Smart Boards, computers, and internet access are available in all classrooms to support student learning.
- School 33 offers a Two-Way Dual Language Program for Spanish Speakers Learning English.
- School-based health center through Rochester General Hospital available onsite to provide primary and wellness health care services to students.

Andrew J. Townson School No. 39

PreK-6
SCHOOL



145 Midland Avenue
Rochester, NY 14621
(585) 467-8816 • www.rcsdk12.org/39

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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **No**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Center for Youth, Church of Transfiguration, Rochester Community Foundation, Community Place, Black Women's Leadership Forum, Pillars of Hope, Xerox Junior Achievement, North Star Rites of Passage, RIT-Liberty Partnerships, Higher Ground Church of God and Phrophecy**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- EnCompass after-school program provides inquiry-based learning and targeted tutoring in ELA and math, three nights a week (Monday - Wednesday) for grades 1-5, with dinner provided.
- The Positive Behavioral and Intervention Supports (PBIS) model is promoted. School No. 39 teaches, models, reviews, and rewards students, reviewing expectations on an ongoing basis.
- Each grade level participates in a daily learning acceleration block (LAB). Students are grouped based on reading needs.
- After-school activities include Co-ed Basketball Team, Flower City Soccer, Rites of Passage (grade 5), Liberty Partnerships (grade 6), Sister Keepers (girls' group), EnCompass (grades 1-5), Soulful Expression Poetry Dance Club, Girls on the Run, Boy Scouts.
- Victorious Minds Academy: a teaching philosophy based upon the Relationship Model of Educational Intervention designed by Joy DeGruy.

Mary McLeod Bethune School No. 45

PreK-8
SCHOOL



1445 Clifford Avenue
Rochester, NY 14621
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Patricia.Engert@rcsdk12.org



FACTS

Uniforms Required: **No**
Foreign Languages: **Spanish**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Center for Youth, Genesee Mental Health, G2, Memorial Art Gallery, Inc., Xerox, Jewish Federation of Literacy Volunteers, Celebration of Life Community, Inc., Breath of Life Church, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Crazy Dog T-Shirts, Excellus, Rochester Urban League**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- School No. 45 grows leaders at every level using principles from *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People* for staff and *The Leader in Me* for students.
- Enrichment opportunities during the Leadership Block and Advisory engage students in work on legacy projects, goal setting, and building leadership skills.

- A community school with a strategic plan for welcoming and engaging the community. Vehicles for promoting engagement include a school website, Twitter, weekly robo call updates, participation on school committees, volunteerism, and evening events including Halloween in the Hallway, Heritage Dinner, and Leadership Day.
- Partnership with the Center for Youth expands and enriches offerings available to students with a focus on prevention and leadership/life skills.
- The skills required of the 21st century learning standards require an infusion of technology during core classes and enrichment opportunities. The School 45 Google environment gives students access to real-world experiences and knowledge in real time.
- Students and staff participate in restorative practices, many starting each day with Peace Circles.
- K-6: Full day of science every week! Includes labs in a real science lab.
- Middle School: All 8th grade students have the opportunity to take Algebra and Living Environment for high school credit.

Charles Carroll School No. 46

PreK-6
SCHOOL



250 Newcastle Road
Rochester, NY 14610
(585) 288-8008 • www.rcsdk12.org/46

Principal: Gina DiTullio
Gina.DiTullio@rcsdk12.org
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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Browncroft Community Church, Greater Rochester Health Foundation, Nazareth College Partnership, Xerox Science, SUNY Brockport, Liberty Resources School-Based Mental Health Services**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Expanded Learning Time (ELT) School: Students receive additional time for academic, social-emotional, enrichment and recreational opportunities beyond those offered during a traditional school day. This includes enrichment opportunities in areas such as Integrated Arts Projects, Financial Literacy, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics.

- As a school-wide instructional priority all students engage in ongoing literacy development through multiple learning opportunities.
- Safe and nurturing environment provides the foundation for successful learning environments. Positive Behavioral and Intervention Supports (PBIS) with clearly taught, monitored, and rewarded behavioral expectations. Restorative Practice principles are also used. Student leadership opportunities include a peer mediation program, service learning, student council, mentoring, and safety patrol.
- Parents as Partners is essential and has a longstanding history at School No. 46. Its active and involved Parent Teacher Association (PTA) supports activities that promote community and prepare parents to continue their role as their child's first educator. Some of the PTA-sponsored events include the Fall Meet & Greet, Holiday Bazaar, Scholastic School Book Fair, and June Family Picnic. PTA meetings include activities such as BINGO for Books, Family Taco Night, Movie Night, and more.

Helen Barrett Montgomery School No. 50

PreK-8
SCHOOL



301 Seneca Avenue
Rochester, NY 14621
(585) 266-0331 • www.rcsdk12.org/50

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Connie.Wehner@rcsdk12.org
Parent Contact: Jewell Brown
Jewell.Brown@rcsdk12.org



FACTS

Uniforms Required: **No**
Foreign Languages: **American Sign Language**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **SUNY Brockport, St. John Fisher College, Nazareth College, St. Joseph's Church, Northridge Church, Center for Youth, Foodlink, UR SMILEmobile**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Extracurricular activities include yearbook club, student council, and instrumental music.
- Upper school for grades 7 and 8 provides opportunities to explore different areas during the lunch time. Areas include art adventure, technology, physical activity/fitness, and library time.
- Help Zone maintained by the Center for Youth staff provides social-emotional support. They also provide social-emotional teaching modules to classes.

- "Eagle Pride" days are held on Fridays!
- Helen Barrett Montgomery is a Restorative Practice school. Restorative practices promote inclusiveness, relationship-building and problem-solving, through such restorative methods as circles for teaching and conflict resolution to conferences that bring victims, offenders and their supporters together to address wrongdoing.
- Helen Barrett Montgomery has CORE VALUES of SOAR: Self-Control, Outstanding Teamwork, Accountability, Respect.
- Student Government is an active student group that advocates for student issues within the school and plans a variety of activities throughout the school year.
- School Vision-Together we lead!
- Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 are trained as circle champions to support in restorative circles/conferences.
- The K-8 library has a diverse and widespread variety of books for students and their interests. The library is open for all students every day of the school week.
- The school has a diverse student population with over 18 different languages spoken by students.
- Students in grade 4-8 can learn to play an instrument. Students in grades 7 and 8 can participate in a modern rock band group learning to play guitar, bass, drums, and piano.

Frank Fowler Dow School No. 52

PreK-6
SCHOOL



100 Farmington Road
Rochester, NY 14609
(585) 482-9614 • www.rcsdk12.org/52

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Mary.Ferguson@rcsdk12.org
Parent Contact: Janice Wideman
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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes, Band**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Temple B'rith Kodesh, Xerox through LEGO League, Reading Buddy Partnership with Spiritus Christi Church**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- A high-performing school.
- Active partnerships with Xerox through LEGO League.
- School No. 52 has a number of clubs and activities including School Band, Piano Lessons, Instrumental Music Lessons, Musical Theatre, Choir, Drumming, Movement.

Dual Language Program at School No. 33

PreK-6
SCHOOL



500 Webster Avenue
Rochester, NY 14609
(585) 482-9290 • www.rcsdk12.org/33

Principal: Mary Munoz
Mary.Munoz@rcsdk12.org
Parent Contact: Loretta Cross
Loretta.Cross@rcsdk12.org

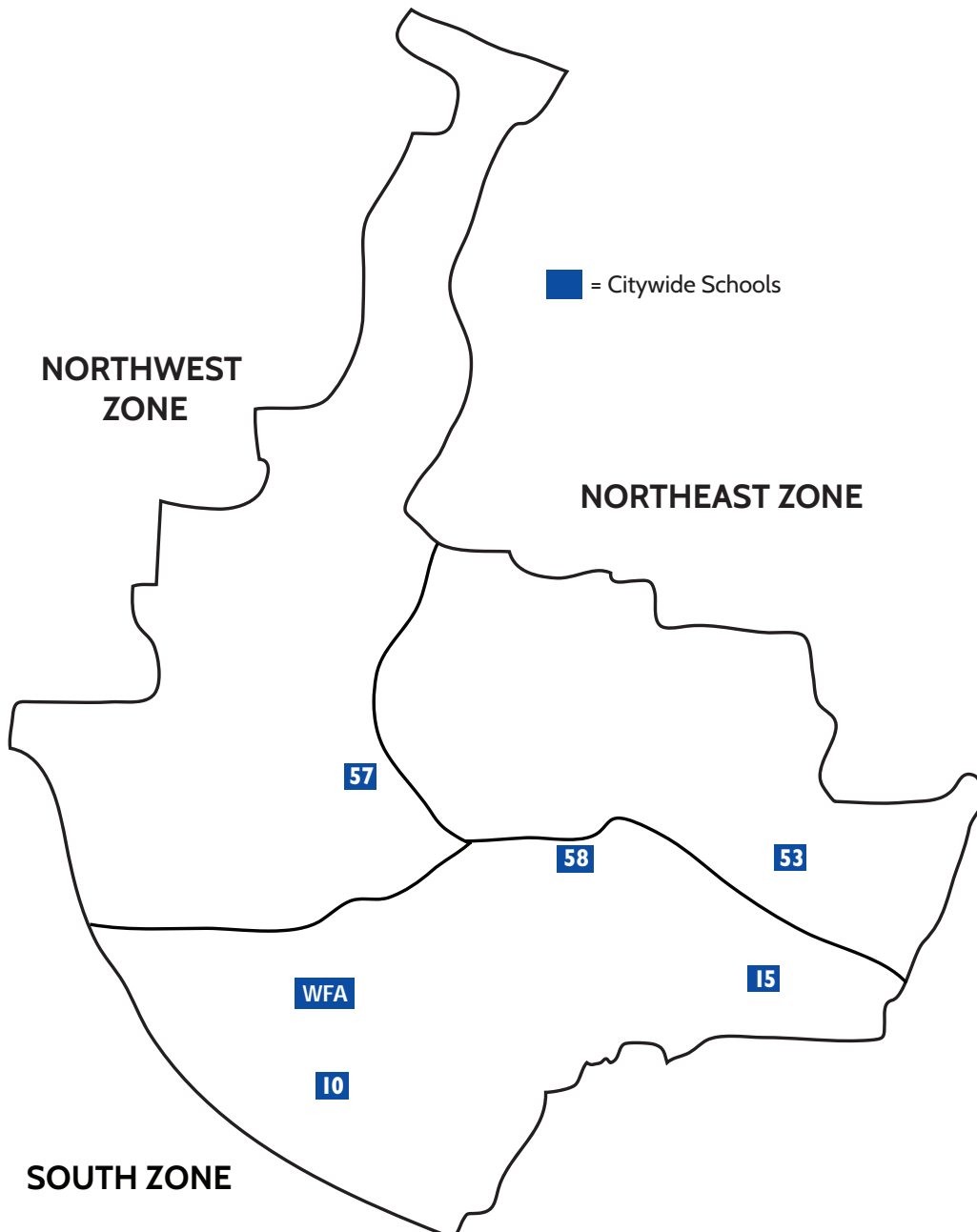
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The Dual Language Program:

- Helps students develop literacy in two languages (English and Spanish) from the time they first enter formal education.
- Classes are comprised of 50% Spanish-speaking students and 50% English-speaking students.
- Allows students to join the program at kindergarten and progress through the elementary grades (K-6) with the same classmates.
- Staffed by certified bilingual teachers.
- Uses proven teaching methods for second-language acquisition.
- Incorporates instructional strategies (cooperative learning, direct instruction, whole language, and individualized instruction) that help students develop fluency in both Spanish and English.

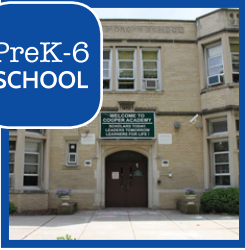
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- Early Childhood School of Rochester No. 57
- World of Inquiry School No. 58
- Joseph C. Wilson Foundation Academy No. 68



Dr. Walter Cooper Academy School No. 10

PreK-6
SCHOOL



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Principal: Camaron Clyburn
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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **EL Education, Greater Rochester Health Foundation, YMCA, Rochester Engineering Society, University of Rochester Medical Students, International Institute for Restorative Practices (IIRP)**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Dr. Walter Cooper Academy (DWCA) follows the EL Education model. The school engages its diverse student body in joyful, rigorous, and fascinating learning experiences, instilling both perseverance and a sense of responsibility in students. It is reinforced in the motto, "We never give up, never give up, never give up!"
- The EL Learning model promotes rigorous and engaging curriculum through long-term, interdisciplinary studies and active, inquiry-based learning along with the development of positive school culture and students' character.
- Daily morning meetings are held in every classroom along with weekly school-wide community meetings to foster a community of caring and respectful learners.
- Incorporates the use of technology in all grade level instruction with use of Smart Boards, iPads, EL MOS, cameras, Chromebooks, and a double computer lab.

The Children's School of Rochester School No. 15

PreK-6
SCHOOL



85 Hillside Avenue
Rochester, NY 14610
(585) 262-8830 • www.rcsdk12.org/15

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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **No**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **First Unitarian Church, University of Rochester School of Nursing, University of Rochester Refugee Student Alliance**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Extracurricular activities provide opportunities for families and community partners to work collaboratively in shared decision making. This includes the PTO and school work groups that provide school governance.
- Families are invited to participate in "Morning Briefings," which are assemblies and/or celebrations that provide an opportunity for students to share their accomplishments and establish a firm literacy foundation.
- English as a New Language (ENL) services support students' academic needs. Half of the students in this school are from other countries and bring a variety of cultural traditions and life experiences, which enrich instruction for all students. These are celebrated and shared at frequent school events for students, families, and community partners.

Montessori Academy School No. 53

PreK-6
SCHOOL



625 Scio Street
Rochester, NY 14605
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Principal: Dr. Kimberly Harris-Pappin
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OR LESS

FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **The Community Place**
(after-school program included), **Friends of Dr. Freddie Thomas, Inc.**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Incorporates the motto: "We Believe in the Child."
- Multi-age classrooms at three levels: Primary (ages 3, 4, 5); Lower Elementary (grades 1, 2); Middle Elementary (grades 3, 4); and Upper Elementary (grades 5, 6).
- Integrates the philosophical perspective of Dr. Maria Montessori into the Prepared Learning Environment through the teaching of Grace and Courtesy, Peace, Practical Life Skills, Sensorial, and uses Montessori

materials.

- Children engage in the Next Generation Learning Standards and NYS curriculum guided by the Montessori curriculum.
- Peer mentoring, role modeling, and long-term teacher-child relationships in multi-age classes.
- Students develop a global understanding of the world and become skilled at problem-solving by working collaboratively with peers.
- Considers child growth and development and children's interests in its student-centered, individualized instructional approach.
- Environment is designed to offer children opportunities to make positive choices and to enjoy academic success. Students are provided the materials, space, and time to build concentration, which promotes higher-level thinking skills.

Because the majority of Pre-K choose to stay for kindergarten, generally there are not many open seats for kindergarten.

Early Childhood School of Rochester School No. 57

PreK-2
SCHOOL



15 Costar Street
Rochester, NY 14608
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Parent Contact: Donita Cummings
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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **No**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **No**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Monroe Community College, St. John Fisher College, Charles Settlement House, Healthi Kids Program, Spiritus Christi Church, The OCHO Project, The Community Place, Genetaska Club of Rochester, Nazareth College, Jewish Family Services: Pencils and Paper, Rochester Teacher Center, University of Rochester, Rochester Chamber of Commerce, Brockport College, Geneseo College, Lake Avenue Baptist Church, Adonai Assemblies of God of Rochester, Roc Central Library, Optimist Club, and Arc of the Church of God in Christ**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- Only PreK-2 school in the Rochester City School District.
- Follows Next Generation Learning Standards curriculum, including a full block of ELA and math, and has a Speech and Language program.
- Raising a Reader Program and Foster Grandparent Program.
- Strong partnerships with local colleges for student teaching and internships.
- Active Parent Teacher Community Association (PTCA) group that sustains parents as partners, as well as All Pro Dads Program.
- Multiple clubs for student activities: Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts Club, Art Club, Music Club.
- Hosts an annual Black History family/community celebration dinner.
- Promotes a safe school environment and supports character building through School-Wide Positive Behavior Support Program (SWPBS).
- Students receive daily Response to Intervention (RTI) services delivered by both the classroom teachers and RTI specialists.
- Universal Pre-K program on campus.
- National Primary Project Program.

World of Inquiry School No. 58

K-12
SCHOOL



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FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **Yes, starting in 7th Grade**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **University of Rochester, Nazareth College, St. John Fisher College, Monroe Community College, Key Bank, Expeditionary Learning, Junior Achievement, Buddy Readers through a local church**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- A K-12 Expeditionary Learning (EL) school and recipient of the prestigious Blue Ribbon Award (2010).
- Staff follow EL best practices that promote rigorous and engaging curriculum; active, inquiry-based teaching; and a school culture that demands and teaches compassion and good citizenship.
- Students engage in a rigorous and well-rounded curriculum that integrates math, ELA, science, social studies, arts, music, and fitness within a learning expedition.
- Students engage in two grade-level “learning expeditions,” which are long-term intellectual investigations where learning is connected to real-world experiences through interdisciplinary projects that promote citizenship and character development.
- Students participate in two Outward-Bound excursions that challenge their mental and physical well-being.

Joseph C. Wilson Foundation Academy No. 68

K-8
SCHOOL



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Deasure.Matthew@rcsdk12.org
Parent Contact: Tiffany Bumphis
Tiffany.Bumphis@rcsdk12.org



FACTS

Uniforms Required: **Yes**
Foreign Languages: **Spanish, Kiswahili**
Chorus: **Yes**
Band/Orchestra: **Yes**
Instrumental Music Lessons: **Yes**
Business/College/Faith Partnerships: **Southwest Area Neighborhood Association (SWAN), University of Rochester**

SCHOOL FEATURES

- The only International Baccalaureate (IB) Middle Years Program for grades 7-8 in the Rochester City School District, and an IB Candidate School for the Primary Years Program for grades K-6.
- Primary grades K-6 students are introduced to the IB instructional framework through the implementation of the ten IB learner profiles and six transdisciplinary themes.
- The IB Middle Years Program provides a framework of academic challenge that encourages students to become critical and reflective thinkers. The students understand and embrace the connections between traditional subjects and the real world.

Northeast Elementary Schools At a Glance

	Grade Levels	Uniforms	Business/College/Faith Partnerships	Choir/Chorus	Band/Orchestra	Instrumental Music Lessons	Foreign Languages for English Speakers	Pre-K Site
Roberto Clemente School No. 8	PreK-8		X	X	X	X	X	X
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. School No. 9	PreK-6	X	X	X	X	X		X
Henry Lomb School No. 20	PreK-6		X	X	X	X		X
Abraham Lincoln School No. 22	PreK-6	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nathaniel Hawthorne School No. 25	PreK-6		X	X	X	X		X
Henry Hudson School No. 28	K-8	X	X	X	X	X	X	
John James Audubon School No. 33	PreK-6	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Andrew J. Townson School No. 39	PreK-6		X	X	X	X		X
Mary McLeod Bethune School No. 45	PreK-8		X	X	X	X	X	X
Charles Carroll School No. 46	PreK-6	X	X	X	X	X		X
Helen Barrett Montgomery School No. 50	PreK-8		X	X	X	X	X	X
Frank Fowler Dow School No. 52	PreK-6	X	X	X	X	X		X
DUAL LANGUAGE								
Dual Language Program at School No. 33	PreK-6	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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Citywide Elementary Schools At a Glance

	Grade Levels	Uniforms	Business/College/Faith Partnerships	Choir/Chorus	Band/Orchestra	Instrumental Music Lessons	Foreign Languages for English Speakers	Pre-K Site
CITYWIDE SCHOOLS								
Dr. Walter Cooper Academy School No. 10	PreK-6	X	X	X	X	X		X
The Children's School of Rochester No. 15	PreK-6		X	X	X	X		X
Montessori Academy School No. 53	PreK-6	X	X	X	X	X		X
Early Childhood School of Rochester No. 57	PreK-2	X	X	X		X		X
World of Inquiry School No. 58	K-12	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Joseph C. Wilson Foundation Academy No. 68	K-8	X	X	X	X	X	X	

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