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EAST UPPER SCHOOL



East Upper School's mission is to enable students to take charge of their future by being tenacious, thinking purposefully, and advocating for themselves and others. East is committed to offering a rigorous learning environment by providing a longer school day, foreign language study, a one-way dual language program, and advanced coursework. Restorative practices are used to promote lifelong, peaceful problem-solving, and each day a 30-minute "family group" connects two adults to a small group of students to foster relationships and promote unity and a natural support system.

The Student Support Center provides connections to community-based organizations, and the Educational Partnership with the University of Rochester enhances all components of the school, including the on-campus University of Rochester Medical Clinic that offers free services to any East scholar. East has a large selection of interscholastic sports, and Driver Education classes are offered.

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GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING HERE

Strong Instructional Support | Family Group | Career Pathways

At East, students can participate in a variety of strong [career pathway programs](#) tailored to national and local labor demands, created with input from college and industry partners and focused on preparing students for success beyond high school graduation. Unique to East, students can study Culinary, Vision Care, Information Technology, BioMedical and Laboratory Health Sciences, Teaching and Learning, and Business.

WE ARE MORE THAN ACADEMICS





EDISON CAREER & TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL



Edison Career and Technology High School provides more than a high school education. It has a rich history of Career and Technical Education (CTE), or Critical and Timely Education, as the school likes to call it. At Edison, students have the opportunity to invent their future and the foundation needed to make it happen. A newly renovated campus offers state-of-the-art CTE learning spaces, a new library, and Maker Space.

Edison is more than academics. In addition to AP course offerings and foreign language study, students can participate in technical training and work-based learning. Their CTE Pathways connect high school classes with technical learning, mentoring, job shadowing, and paid co-ops to help students get ahead. You can earn industry credentials and college credits, in addition to participating in clubs, sports, and other extracurricular activities. Put it all together, and you get a one-of-a-kind educational experience!

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INVENT YOUR FUTURE

Leader in Career and College Preparation | Job Shadowing and Internships | Strong Business Partners

At Edison, students follow one of four distinct career pathways, where they will get hands-on training and on-the-job experience that tie into their class instruction, making classes more relevant and exciting. Each pathway is designed to prepare students to move into in-demand career fields or college after graduation.

Check out their [video here](#) and their interactive [website here](#).

FIND YOUR FUTURE





FRANKLIN UPPER SCHOOL



Franklin has been part of Rochester's history for over 100 years. In a partnership with family, school, and community, Franklin is dedicated to providing all students equitable access to high-quality education and graduate students who are prepared to become productive members of society. Franklin is committed to supporting cultural and linguistic diversity, deep student engagement, and the pursuit of lifelong learning.

Unique to Franklin is F.U.N. Afterschool Discovery Time for Franklin Upper Ninth and tenth-graders. During this afterschool program, students work on projects, engage with career and college exploration, and perform activities that will assist them directly with their studies. The goal is to enhance student learning with fun, hands-on activities and provide homework guidance to help students with the skills and credits needed for a path to success.

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GROUNDING IN PRIDE AND EXCELLENCE

Student Engagement | Positive Relationships | Rich History

Proactive, positive, and culturally relevant relationships are fostered in a learning environment where academics, social-emotional support, and equity promote achievement and enhance life skills for a path to post-secondary success. In addition to AP course offerings, foreign language study, and the Seal of Biliteracy program, students can also participate in athletics, student government, greenhouse club, outdoor club, SEAM club, literacy club, and many more. In addition to the multiple clubs, Franklin provides an academic and tutoring program after school for grades 9-12.

WISDOM ILLUMINATES OUR PATH





JAMES MONROE UPPER SCHOOL



James Monroe Upper School is the Jewel of the City because Monroe students shine bright! Monroe provides excellent learning opportunities. The renovated campus offers state-of-the-art facilities where staff, students, and families work together to create a learning community that fosters respect and caring for each other. Monroe offers strong academic programs, championship athletic teams, and unique cultural experiences.

In addition, Monroe students have the opportunity to achieve the NYS Seal of Biliteracy, which signifies a high level of proficiency in more than one language. This pathway promotes biliteracy and proficiency in reading, writing, listening, and speaking in both Spanish and English. Students who earn the Seal of Biliteracy have a distinct advantage when applying to college.

Monroe is a Community School with partnerships that bring education, social-emotional services, youth development, and community engagement under one roof. Monroe gives students effective social-emotional support while minimizing the loss of instructional time and providing individualized academic support. This special approach leads to improved academic achievement, stronger families, and overall healthier communities.

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JEWEL OF THE CITY

Biliteracy Focus | Community School | Student Leaders

The Monroe SMART (Sports Majors, Athletics, and Regents Track) program is a unique pathway designed to help students achieve a NYS Regents Diploma while meeting NCAA guidelines and preparing for sports-related opportunities beyond the playing field. This one-of-a-kind academic program offers several unique elective classes, such as Advanced Weight Lifting, Mechatronics, and Responding to Emergencies, which ends with students receiving First Aid and CPR certification and college credit.

OUR COMMUNITY TODAY, THE WORLD TOMORROW





JOSEPH C. WILSON MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT ACADEMY



Students who want to be challenged academically should consider Joseph C. Wilson Magnet High School. The International Baccalaureate (IB) program encourages critical analysis, research skills, and service as part of the learning process, with curriculum and assessments that are consistent among 4,000 IB schools worldwide. The only IB program in the RCSD, Wilson prepares graduates to excel in the global economy as inquisitive, knowledgeable, and caring young people. Students who complete the IB program and earn the diploma are encouraged to apply to the University of Rochester, as accepted applicants are awarded a four-year, full-tuition scholarship.

Wilson balances a rigorous academic program and a variety of career pathways with extensive art, music, athletic, and extracurricular offerings. Students who are hard-working, motivated, disciplined, and determined to become successful, contributing members of society will find a home at Wilson.

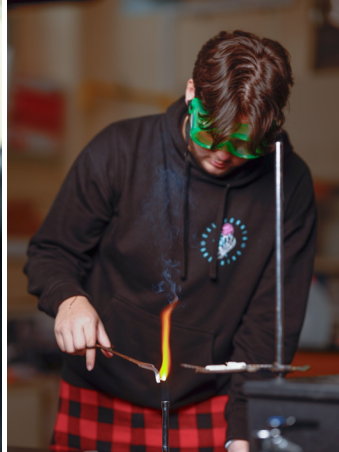
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INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE TO GUIDE STUDENT SUCCESS

International Mindset | Multiple Graduation Pathways | Academic Rigor

In addition to IB, Wilson offers higher-level foreign language study and multiple AP courses. The school has the AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) program, which is designed to help underachieving students with high academic potential prepare for college and career readiness. The program is provided as both an elective credit-bearing class and a schoolwide AVID focus using strategies and practices to aid student development. Wilson also offers bilingual classes and extensive support in specialized education services, including within their Autism Spectrum Disorder program.

ANALYSIS, RESEARCH, SERVICE, GROWTH





NORTHEAST COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL



Northeast College Preparatory High School is committed to providing a well-rounded education while promoting student voice to lift a culturally responsive curriculum that nurtures lifelong learners, advocates, and leaders. Students are offered an opportunity to lead by analyzing the school community, identifying problems and needs, conducting research, and presenting possible solutions to administration and teacher leaders through the Student Voice Committee. Northeast creates a school model where student voice matters and impacts what they do, embedded through the MIKVA curriculum, social-emotional learning, relationship building in advisory, and student wellness and development through the Ninth Grade Academy.

The campus houses a fully operational Rochester Regional health center, which offers a variety of services, including physical exams, immunizations, walk-in and scheduled appointments, medications, and counseling. The Family and Community Connections office provides services to help remove barriers for students and families to thrive, including a food pantry, clothing closet, access to agencies, and support from the home school assistant and attendance support specialist. Northeast also has over 15 agency partners, which are instrumental in mentoring, enrichment, and community engagement.

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EMPOWERING STUDENTS TO UTILIZE THEIR VOICES

Panther Pride | Community School | Social Justice

Students can take AP and dual-credit courses through Monroe Community College, allowing them to earn college credits in high school. In addition to academics, Northeast offers a variety of arts and music courses, athletics, and extracurricular activities. All students are exposed to leadership development through JROTC, and 9th-graders learn what it takes to be successful through the Freshman Seminar class. Social, emotional, and mental well-being is a priority, and additional enrichment and engagement are prioritized through Saturday school, night school, and recess institutes, which are offered throughout the year.

MANY PATHS TO THE FINISH LINE





ROCHESTER EARLY COLLEGE INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL



Students who want to go to college while in high school – look no further! The only high school in the RCSD that offers the Early College model, Rochester Early College provides an opportunity for students to earn a Regents diploma and 24-60 college credits in four years. Scholars with a strong work ethic who are highly motivated to get a head start on a two- or four-year college degree should consider Rochester Early College International High School. Through its close partnership with Monroe Community College, scholars receive personal attention in a small school environment.

Diversity in all facets is celebrated and respected at Rochester Early College. Scholars tackle rigorous academic challenges and embrace all individual differences on a daily basis. In addition to academics, Rochester Early College offers a variety of extracurricular activities, including athletics, Student Government, and JROTC.

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GRADUATING GLOBALLY COMPETENT, COLLEGE-READY SCHOLARS

Innovative | Rigorous Academics | Small School Environment

Every scholar is expected to take a full course load during all four years, either at the high school or MCC campus. Dual-credit courses with college credits, which begin in 9th grade, are offered in the areas of Art, Health, Microsoft Office, Personal Money Management, English, Spanish, Chinese, and Introduction to Business. Scholars in grades 11 and 12 will take classes on the MCC campus free of charge. The school provides a strong support system to help scholars be successful.

COLLEGE BEGINS TODAY





SCHOOL OF THE ARTS



Students who desire high academic achievement and want to develop their artistic talents should apply to the School of the Arts (SOTA). Students at SOTA carry a full academic course load in addition to a rigorous Fine Arts sequence in one of six subject areas – Creative Writing, Dance, Drama, Music (Instrumental and Vocal), Theatre Technology, and Visual Arts. Each semester, students are required to participate in performances, showcases, recitals, and exhibitions within their major field of study. Due to the extensive Performing Arts calendar, SOTA students commit to instruction that extends well beyond the school day.

Admission to the School of the Arts is based on a formal audition process. Students will be scheduled for an audition once they complete the SOTA application. The deadline to apply is December 16, 2022. Auditions will take place in the last week of January. Please visit www.sotarochester.org for additional information, including the application.

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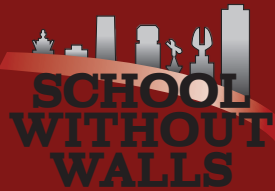
ACADEMICS COMPLEMENTED BY AN ARTS-BASED CURRICULUM

Strong Academics | Artistic Talents | Neighborhood of the Arts

SOTA offers traditional academics complemented by an arts-based curriculum, with an educational philosophy that melds together the electricity of the creative arts and the energy of academic learning. Academic and arts programs are enhanced through the school's association with community partners, including the Hochstein School, Eastman School of Music, Memorial Art Gallery, and Rochester Museum and Science Center. In addition to AP classes in academics and the arts, students at SOTA also have the opportunity to participate in athletics, clubs, and performance events throughout the school year.

MAKE YOUR CANVAS COME ALIVE





SCHOOL WITHOUT WALLS

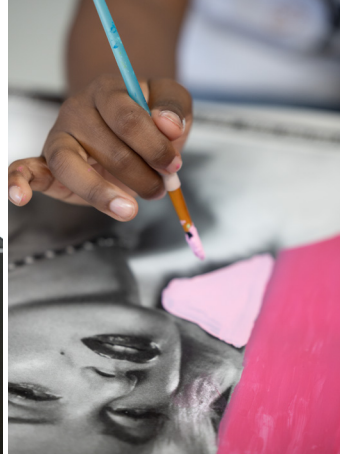
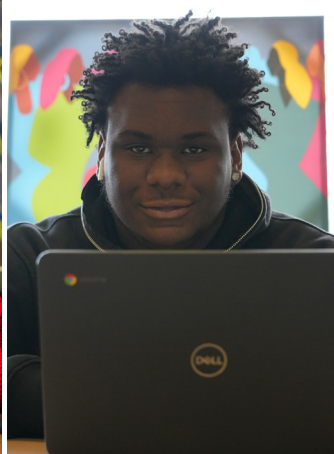


School Without Walls is one of the oldest, nontraditional high schools in the nation and part of the NY Performance Standards Consortium. It is a community of learners who hold each other to high standards of behavior, school culture, and academics. Students are expected to excel in rigorous academics and complete performance-based assessments. School Without Walls emphasizes critical thinking and responsible citizenship, with a learner-centered interdisciplinary philosophy. Students are given opportunities to be involved in the school's management, decision-making, and problem-solving.

The campus has undergone renovations, including the construction of a gymnasium and fitness room and state-of-the-art science and art classrooms. School Without Walls does not participate in the NCAA clearinghouse, so students anticipating a Division I or II athletic scholarship should take this into consideration before applying.

Admission to School Without Walls is based on a separate application that is mailed to every 8th-grade student. The deadline to apply is Friday, March 31, 2023. Please call the school or visit the website for additional information.

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A NONTRADITIONAL COMMUNITY OF LEARNERS

Rigorous Academics | Community Service | Performance-Based

Students take part in extensive community service each year and learn to utilize community resources to enhance their learning. Seniors complete a yearlong project, hold public exhibitions, and defend their work to a review panel of community experts, teachers, and students. Each student has an advisor who conducts regular individual conferences. Students do not receive direct transportation to school; instead, they are provided an RTS bus pass allowing them to travel throughout the community to fulfill their requirements.

LEARNING THAT KNOWS NO BOUNDS

