**Detroit Public Schools “Open-Doors Day”**

**All-Schools Open House and Enrollment Fair!**

When: Saturday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Offerings: Free healthy breakfast and lunch samples, informational tours and a chance to meet principals and staff, curriculum demonstrations and more! Free shuttles will be available from school hubs. Adult Ed Centers will be open too.

For more information go to detroitk12.org/enroll or call 313-240-4DPS

NEW: School of the Week spotlight

Each and every week, we highlight one of our amazing schools with a feature story, photos, and a special video on the homepage of the district’s website. View all recent School of the Week features by visiting www.detroitk12.org/schooloftheweek.

More Pre-K, community schools, art/music enrichment, quality and customer service will be our hallmark moving forward

Starting earlier and working longer. Working harder and working smarter. Joining together and expecting more.

Detroit Public Schools on April 11 renewed its commitment to supporting all families, providing the highest quality public education available, and supporting a regional workforce that will drive the city’s economic rebirth through a brand new transformative plan developed by hundreds of community members.

Among the new initiatives, DPS will invest early in individual children through expanded preschool programs for all four-year-olds and will adopt a new Community Schools Model offering parenting skills and life/job skill training, and a range of local services to be provided at schools during extended hours. Services will be developed based on what local schools and parents want and may include homework assistance, language programs, child care and elder care, literacy development, prenatal training, technology skills, financial literacy, social workers and other professional services.

This fall, the District will launch major initiatives that expand course offerings and extend academic opportunities in effective, safe school settings, including:

- “Career Academy” programs for students at Career Technical Centers with a comprehensive high school diploma opportunity;
- An art and music enrichment program for every elementary school student partnering with individuals and agencies with a proven track record in Detroit;

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Dear parents, guardians and families,

Whether you are a current member of the Detroit Public Schools family, or a family seeking quality educational options for your child for the future, I hope that this newsletter will provide you with important information about how your child’s educational experience can and will change for the better in the coming school year. Both new programs and success stories are provided here to help you with determining the best choices for your child’s education.

I truly believe that Detroit Public Schools is at the most important crossroads in its history. We must make necessary and bold changes quickly in order to ensure that we will not just survive, but thrive.

To help us achieve this, Detroit Public Schools has engaged in an historic strategic planning process, involving parents, students, teachers, principals, staff, clergy, civic and community leaders and policy makers – nearly 500 people in total – working to help us better understand how to improve our performance and customer service, broaden services and provide desired programs, all within a safe learning environment.

Our strategic plan will be the roadmap we follow to create a stronger, more sustainable district that will not only maintain the students we have, but help us grow and prosper by regaining market share. Gone are the days when anyone had a monopoly on the education of our children. In fact, I think competition is a good thing. It forces us to be the best – not just academically but across the board. These plans are designed to dramatically change our mindsets and the way we do things here. We must be courageous in our actions and do things that push us as a district – and you as a community – out of our comfort zones. From this point forward we are planning to win.

And we know that will ultimately improve academic outcomes for all children.

I hope you will place your trust in Detroit Public Schools and enroll your child in one of our outstanding schools.

– Roy S. Roberts
DPS Superintendent

Karen Ridgeway
Superintendent of Academics

Karen P. Ridgeway, Superintendent of Academics, is a product of Detroit Public Schools who graduated with the first full graduating class of Martin Luther King, Jr. Senior High School. In her more than 30 years with DPS, she has served as a teacher for special education students, acting special education department head, special instructor – Wayne County Youth Home, school-wide test coordinator, Program Associate, Director of Assessment and Executive Director for the Office of Research, Evaluation, Assessment and Accountability for Detroit Public Schools. Ridgeway holds a B.S., M.Ed., and Ed.S. from Wayne State University.
• Expanded longer school-year programs at select schools

And DPS plans to be more customer-focused than ever before! Constantly and consistently exceeding expectations will become a new Detroit Public Schools Customer Service ethic that starts with how phone callers and guests are greeted and have their concerns resolved, and will infuse customer service into all aspects of our organization. We will launch new training programs through an experienced and respected customer service leader and we will make sure our employees are motivated and rewarded. Our safety initiatives will embrace more community volunteers to keep your child safe, and partner agencies will help us to create a disciplined, consistent school culture and safe routes to schools. We will also institute and enforce a new district-wide Attendance Policy.

Because every school knows the educational best path for its students, we will give school leaders the tools to have more autonomy so they can make the best curriculum decisions at the school level. We will create a hybrid school model between DPS’ Centrally-Supported Schools and our Detroit Rising College Preparatory Schools, which are self-governed. And, we will provide training at the school level so that principals and their staffs are better equipped to market their strengths and advantages to local communities.

Additional goals address: leveraging technology in the schools and for parents to stay connected to their child’s success, as well as in such key business functions as Human Resources and Finance where the entire infrastructure will be replaced; creating school-service based central office departments; ensuring fiscal stability; greatly expanding grant funding; and the dire need to instill continuity and stability across DPS for both teachers and families.

Our motto for YOUR child: Starting earlier and working longer. Working harder and working smarter. Joining together and expecting more!

Join us!

For full details on the new Detroit Public Schools Strategic Plan, go to Detroitk12.org/strategicplanning

On the Rise! Grad Rates & MEAP scores are UP!

Detroit Public Schools students scored record gains on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program Test for the fall of 2012, with improvement in 17 out of 18 assessments. DPS increases outpaced statewide progress, “closing the gap,” in 14 out of 18 assessments administered.

In Reading, students made gains ranging from 3% to 11.3% in all grades 3 through 8. Particularly impressive, DPS students closed the gap with statewide peers in grade 8 reading by 7.1%. In Mathematics, improvement in students’ proficiency ranged from .5% to 6.7% in grades 3 through 8. Gains were also seen in Science, Writing and Social Studies in all grades, except one.

“These gains aren't due to any one silver bullet,” said Karen Ridgeway, Superintendent of Academics. “They are due to a comprehensive academic plan that includes robust professional development for our teachers and all academic staff, constant data analysis and regular alterations to teaching strategies to meet the needs of every child individually.”

But that’s not all! DPS’ high school graduation rate increased five percentage points for 2012, bringing the rate to 64.7%, the highest rate since 2006, while closing the gap with statewide rates by greater than three percentage points. The district had 5 schools with graduation rates above 90%!

Top this: A challenge to 2013 grads to score more than $106 million in scholarships and grants

Detroit Public Schools’ 2012 graduating class scored more than $106 million in scholarships and grants, up from $77.4 million for the 2010-11 school year.

Dr. Barbara K. Smith, Director of the Office of Guidance & Counseling, said she’s confident this year’s graduating class will top these numbers thanks to the resources DPS has provided to students to ensure they meet their college and career goals.

In early February of 2013, 25 DPS high school seniors were selected to receive the inaugural Detroit Urban Scholars Scholarship from Wayne State University, putting these students on the pathway to college early in their high school careers. DPS students received 25 of the 30 scholarships offered.

The Detroit Urban Scholars Scholarship is awarded to high-achieving incoming freshmen who have shown promise in their ability to excel academically as well as provide a continuous service and leadership stance in their communities. The students selected to receive the scholarship will be awarded a total of $24,000 ($6,000 per year for four consecutive years).
Community Report: Bond Program

DPS’ Bond Construction Program creates 21st Century learning environments to help students achieve academic excellence.

The DPS Bond School Construction Program brought Detroit children 17 safe, new or significantly renovated state-of-the-art learning facilities online to ensure students achieve success.

Opened in Fall 2012, East English Village Preparatory Academy, which was built on the site of the former Finney High School, and neighborhood schools, Munger PreK-8 and Mackenzie PreK-8, were the final three facilities in the DPS Bond Construction Program. September 2011 marked the largest grand opening of facilities with the completion of nine new and renovated schools open to 8,000 students. Martin Luther King Jr. Senior High School, Samuel Gompers Elementary Middle-School and Amelia Earhart Elementary-Middle School are brand new facilities built from the ground up in just over one year. Extensive renovations were done at Marcus Garvey Academy, Beckham Academy, Bunche Elementary-Middle School, Denby High School, Henry Ford High School and Western International High School.

District-wide initiatives funded by the Bond Construction Program included more technology in classrooms and improved security measures in nearly all schools, as well as the demolition of unsafe buildings, and the construction of a new 23,000-square-foot Police Headquarters and Command Center.

The building projects support the district’s Academic Plan to ensure students are educated in technologically appointed classrooms, with excellent lighting, air and sound quality.

Amenities in the schools included new science laboratories, high-tech media centers, a new performing arts wing in some schools, new athletic complexes at various high schools, including multi-seasonal, synthetic fields for track, football, soccer and other athletic programs. Bright, airy, colorful spaces with lots of windows to maximize natural light were signature features of the new buildings.

Federal regulations stipulated the bond dollars must be spent within three years, and DPS met that goal!

DPS school buildings are Going Green!

Studies show that schools built with green or environmentally-friendly techniques are better for achievement. That’s why DPS is going green!

DPS has constructed seven new schools to the standards of the US Green Building Council’s Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards. These schools have many sustainable features that reduce operating costs, including high levels of building and roof insulation, efficient heating and cooling systems and lighting control systems.

They are also good for the environment and help boost student achievement. Natural light and modern lighting improve student visual perception; improved acoustics help students hear better; and non-toxic building materials reduce student illness and asthma rates. DPS is proud to provide these green schools of the future for our students!
DPS bond dollars put Detroiters to work with 60% of all subcontracts awarded to Detroit-headquartered companies!

In addition to building new and modernized DPS facilities and demolishing closed and unsafe structures, the DPS Bond Construction Program exceeded average regional participation goals by hiring more Detroit businesses and Detroit residents to work skilled trades and non-trade jobs for the third consecutive and final year of the $500.5 million Bond Construction Program.

More than 60% of all subcontracts were awarded to Detroit-headquartered businesses and more than 50% of all worker hours were performed by Detroit residents, a mark that well exceeds the regional average goal of 25 - 45%.

The Construction Program has also employed 209 DPS students as part of the successful Summer Student Worker Program.

Thank you, voters!

Detroit voters approved Proposal S in November 2009 which allowed the district to borrow $500.5 million in federal stimulus dollars for school capital improvement projects at discounted interest rates. DPS received the sixth largest allocation in the nation.

The DPS School Construction Program included:

- Brand new construction of seven schools
- Significant renovations at 10 schools
- Five large additions including the multipurpose Harambee Center at Marcus Garvey Academy, an athletic complex at Western International High School, a special education wing at East English Village Preparatory Academy and new gymnasiums at Bethune-Fitzgerald Academy and Bunche Elementary-Middle School
- Demolition of 10 schools
- Mechanical upgrades and stabilization projects at 36 schools
- A new high-tech DPS Police Headquarters & Command Center
- District-wide security improvements

NEW facilities

- Samuel Gompers Elementary-Middle School
- Amelia Earhart Elementary-Middle School
- East English Village Preparatory Academy
- Munger Elementary-Middle School
- Mackenzie Elementary-Middle School
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Senior High School
- Mumford High School
- DPS Police Headquarters & Command Center

Major Renovations

- John R. King Academic and Performing Arts Academy
- Bethune-Fitzgerald Academy
- Denby High School
- Henry Ford High School
- Western International High School
- Marcus Garvey Academy (Harambee Center)
- Beckham Academy
- Bunche Elementary-Middle School
- Northwestern High School
- Ronald Brown Academy

Final new construction underway at East English Village Prep

A new $6.67 million addition to replace the old Kettering West Wing facility for Special Education students is under construction now and will open this Summer adjacent to the new East English Village Preparatory Academy at the corner of Warren and Cadieux. The new 20,000 square-foot wing connects to EEVPA and will allow student access to the Olympic-sized swimming pool, gymnasium and cafeteria in the main building.

The new facility will have 13 classrooms with modern technology and heating and cooling systems, a dedicated clinic, computer lab, showers and changing rooms. In addition, students will have an outdoor classroom and nature area.
Detroit School of Arts students perform at Carnegie Hall
The Detroit School of Arts Wind Symphony and Symphony Orchestra had the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to perform for the National Invitational Band and Orchestra Festival at Carnegie Hall in New York City on March 29, 2013. The Detroit School of Arts Achievers Ladies Ensemble was also selected as the featured choir for the Choral Festival at Carnegie Hall on April 28, 2013.

Benjamin Carson & MCH at Cody students receive White Coats
The first graduating class of the Medicine and Community Health Academy at Cody participated in a Pinning and White Coat Ceremony on January 31, 2013. The ceremony recognized the 120 students’ accomplishments of the past 3 ½ years and marked the beginning of the busiest part of the students’ senior year. More than 120 Benjamin

Detroit Rising College Prep Schools offer a demanding college prep curriculum in a safe, nurturing neighborhood environment that features small class sizes, individual attention and opportunities for internships, scholarships and college visits.

With support from the community and expert educators who are in the driver’s seat, Detroit Rising College Preparatory Schools are held to high standards of accountability and rigorous performance expectations, including these academic targets:

- 90 percent of all seniors will graduate by 2016
- 90 percent of all graduates will enroll in a post-secondary program

Monthly data dashboards for each school are set to record progress on student achievement (Mean ACT scores, cumulative GPA, growth from fall to spring on the MAP assessment), percent of students on track to graduate, 12th graders accepted to postsecondary programs, retention, average daily attendance, and school budgets.

**Detroit Rising Schools:**
- Detroit School of Arts
- Detroit Collegiate Preparatory High School at Northwestern
- Detroit Institute of Technology College Preparatory High School at Cody
- Medicine and Community Health Academy at Cody
- Cody Academy of Public Leadership
- Dr. Benjamin Carson High School of Science and Medicine
- Osborn Collegiate Academy of Mathematics, Science and Technology
- Osborn College Preparatory Academy
- Osborn Evergreen Academy of Design and Alternative Energy

**Natasha Baker**

Natasha Baker serves as the DPS Chief Innovation Officer providing policy direction for the Detroit Rising Schools in conjunction with the local schools Governing Councils. Baker joined the DPS team in August 2012 and is working to create innovative strategies and data-driven urban school models that drive student achievement in college-going school cultures.

An educator who began her career as a teacher in Compton, California, Baker previously was a teacher and dean in Brooklyn and Queens, New York. She also served as a principal and later as the Chief Academic Officer of four k-8 open admissions schools in post-Katrina New Orleans as a result of her participation in the Building Excellent Schools Fellowship, a highly selective Boston-based non-profit charter school leadership training program.

**A glimpse at some of the great things happening in DPS…**
Carson High School students participated in a similar White Coat Ceremony on October 25, 2012, the first of what will become a common practice at the school. The ceremony, traditionally conducted at U.S. medical schools, is a "rite of passage" to welcome students to the medical profession.

Chrysler Elementary named one of the 25 Coolest Schools in America

Parent & Child Magazine released its ranking of the Coolest Schools in America on August 20, 2012, selecting Chrysler Elementary School of Journalism as one of the 25 Coolest Schools across the nation. The schools were featured in the August/September issue of the Scholastic publication for having found "ways to engage students, families and communities inside the classroom by thinking outside the box." Chrysler students published their 13th book on June 12, 2012 titled, "Chrysler Elementary Presents: Bullying Hurts Everyone." Former Principal Linda Whitaker said the school’s book publishing program helped to implement having significant gains in writing scores and an increase in student engagement and confidence. Chrysler also won the 2013 Michigan State K5 Reserve Chess Championship and the 2013 Michigan State K3 Reserve Chess Championship at MSU on February 2, 2013.

U of M inspires Cass Tech students to become “Doctors of Tomorrow”

Cass Technical High School has developed a partnership with the University of Michigan Medical School as part of a larger effort to connect U of M with high schools in under-served areas and to stimulate minority students’ interest in careers in the medical field. The partnership trains “Doctors of Tomorrow” and focuses on academic preparation, career enrichment, individual mentoring and hands-on training at the Medical School for 20 Cass Tech ninth grade students. Students were able to visit the Medical School on November 30, 2012.

Offering more technology in the classroom...And in homes!

Students across the district are enjoying a healthy serving of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) subjects to strengthen our overall academic curriculum and prepare students for 21st Century careers like medical scientists, engineers, biochemists, pilots and more!

Extended time in Mathematics instruction is in place for all K-8 students, ninth-graders are receiving double doses of Algebra, and there has been an increase in the number of AP mathematics courses for high school students.

Strong partnerships with organizations such as the Cranbrook Institute of Science, DAPCEP (Detroit Area Pre-College Engineering Program), the PNC Bank Grow Up Great program and many others offer students hands-on learning experiences in STEM-related fields outside of the classroom to complement our rigorous academic curriculum.

Through the Detroit School Garden Collaborative, school gardens are being installed to provide connections with both nutrition and science.

Students of all grade levels also enjoy participating in programs such as SEEK (Summer Engineering Experience for Kids) camp, “You be the Chemist” Detroit regional science competition, Chess leagues, Academic Games™, Robotics teams, the Society of Automotive Engineers’ A Word in Motion (AWIM) program, an annual Alternative Spring Break tradition with the Michigan Technological University’s NSBE (National Society of Black Engineers) chapter and much more.

Did you know? All students in grades 6-12 have access to Netbook computers, and students in grades 8-12 enjoy take-home Netbooks! New Apple MacBooks, iMac computers, iPad tablets and SmartBoards are available in most classrooms.
DPS Centrally Supported Schools

Note: Preschool may be added at some locations

Elementary-Middle Schools (PreK-5; PreK-6; PreK-8; Special Education)

Academy of the Americas
5680 Konkel
P: (313) 596-7640
Grades Served: PreK-8

Ronald Brown Academy
11530 E. Outer Drive
P: (313) 886-2911
Grades Served: PreK-6

Bunche Elementary-Middle School
2715 Macomb
P: (313) 494-8350
Grades Served: PreK-8

Burton International Academy
2100 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard
P: (313) 596-3800
Grades Served: PreK-8

Amelia Earhart Elementary-Middle School
1000 Scotten
P: (313) 849-3945
Grades Served: PreK-8

Ann Arbor Trail Magnet Elementary-Middle School
7635 Chatham
P: (313) 274-8560
Grades Served: PreK-8, Application

Bagley Elementary School
8100 Curtis
P: (313) 494-7175
Grades Served: PreK-8

Bates Academy
19701 Wyoming
P: (313) 494-7000
Grades Served: PreK-8, ASD and CI, Application

Beard Early Childhood Center
840 Waterman
P: (313) 849-3183
Grades Served: PreK

Bennett Elementary School
2111 Mullane
P: (313) 849-3585
Grades Served: PreK-5

Bow Elementary-Middle School
19801 Prevost
P: (313) 852-0500
Grades: PreK-8

Catherine C. Blackwell Institute of International Studies, Commerce and Technology
9330 Shoemaker
P: (313) 866-4391
Grades Served: PreK-8, Application

DPS Authorized Charter School 2013-2014
Facility Type
- Elementary School
- K-8, Elementary/Middle School
- High School
- K-12
- Alternative Ed

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### Gompers Elementary-Middle School
14450 Burt  
P: (313) 494-7495  
Grades Served: PreK-8

### Greenfield Union Elementary-Middle School
420 West Seven Mile Rd.  
P: (313) 866-2999  
Grades: PreK-8, CI, LD, ECD, Vision Impaired

### Ludington Magnet Middle School
19501 Berg Rd.  
P: (313) 494-7577  
Grades Served: 5-8, Application/Neighborhood

### Maybury Elementary School
4410 Porter St.  
P: (313) 849-2014  
Grades Served: Prek-3

### Moses Field Center
1100 Sheridan  
P: (313) 866-5790  
Grades Served: Prek-8, Special Education, Ages: 3-13

### Pulaski Elementary-Middle School
19725 Strasburg  
P: (313) 866-7022  
Grades Served: Prek-8

### Sampson-Webber Leadership Academy
4700 Tireman Ave  
P: (313) 596-4750  
Grades Served: Prek-8

### Schulze Academy for Technology & Arts
10700 Santa Maria  
P: (313) 340-4400  
Grades Served: Prek-8

### Thirkell Elementary School
7724 14th St.  
P: (313) 596-0990  
Grades Served: Prek-5

### Harms Elementary School
2400 Central  
P: (313) 849-3492  
Grades Served: Prek-5

### Henderson Academy
16101 W. Chicago  
P: (313) 852-0512  
Grades Served: Prek-8

### Holms, A. L. Elementary-Middle School
8950 Crane  
P: (313) 866-5644  
Grades: Prek-8

### Hutchinson Leadership Academy at Howe
2600 Garland  
P: (313) 866-4169  
Grades Served: Prek-8, ASD

### John R. King Academic and Performing Arts Academy
15850 Strathmore  
P: (313) 866-9600  
Grades Served: Prek-8

### Keidan Special Education Center
4441 Collingwood  
P: (313) 873-9400  
Grades Served: Special Education, Ages: 3-13

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P: (313) 873-9400  
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4441 Collingwood  
P: (313) 873-9400  
Grades Served: Special Education, Ages: 3-13

### Ludington Magnet Middle School
19501 Berg Rd.  
P: (313) 494-7577  
Grades Served: 5-8, Application/Neighborhood

### Maybury Elementary School
4410 Porter St.  
P: (313) 849-2014  
Grades Served: Prek-3

### Moses Field Center
1100 Sheridan  
P: (313) 866-5790  
Grades Served: Prek-8, Special Education, Ages: 3-13

### Pulaski Elementary-Middle School
19725 Strasburg  
P: (313) 866-7022  
Grades Served: Prek-8

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Grades Served: Prek-8

### Schulze Academy for Technology & Arts
10700 Santa Maria  
P: (313) 340-4400  
Grades Served: Prek-8

### Thirkell Elementary School
7724 14th St.  
P: (313) 596-0990  
Grades Served: Prek-5
K-12, All-Girls Academy
Detroit International Academy for Young Women
9026 Woodward
P: (313) 873-3050
Grades: K-12, Application

6-12, All-Boys Academy
Frederick Douglass College Preparatory Academy for Young Men
2001 W. Warren
P: (313) 596-3555
Grades Served: 6-12, Application

K-12, Special Education
Turning Point Academy
12300 Linnhurst
P: (313) 866-2200
Grades Served: K-12, Special Education

High Schools (9-12, Special Education, Transitional)
Breithaupt Career and Technical Center
9300 Hubbell
P: (313) 866-9551
Grades Served: 9-12

Cass Technical High School
2501 Second Avenue
P: (313) 263-2000
Grades Served: 9-12

Communication and Media Arts High School
14771 Mansfield
P: (313) 866-9300
Grades Served: 9-12; Application

Davis Aerospace Technical High School at Golightly
900 Dickerson Avenue
P: (313) 822-8820
Grades: 9-12, Application

Diann Banks-Williamson Education Center
5020 Cadieux
P: (313) 922-5600
Grades Served: 9-12, Special Education

Charles R. Drew Transition Center
9600 Wyoming
P: (313) 873-6880
Grades Served: Post-Secondary, Special Education, Ages 18-26

East English Village Preparatory Academy
5020 Cadieux
P: (313) 922-5600
Grades Served: 9-12, Application

Golightly Career and Technical Center
900 Dickerson Avenue
P: (313) 822-8820
Grades Served: 9-12

Jerry L. White Center High School
14804 W. McNichols
P: (313) 416-4200
Grades Served: 9-12, Special Education, Ages: 14-19

Martin Luther King, Jr. Senior High School
3200 E. Lafayette
P: (313) 494-7373
Grades Served: 9-12, Examination for MSAT & CISC programs/Neighborhood

Renaissance High School
6565 W. Outer Drive
P: (313) 416-4600
Grades Served: 9-12, Examination

West Side Academy
4701 McKinley
P: (313) 456-9000
Grades Served: 9-12, Alternative, Ages 14-20

Western International High School
5000 Scotten St.
P: (313) 849-4758
Grades Served: 9-12

Detroit Rising College Preparatory Self Governing Schools
Detroit School of Arts
123 Selden
P: (313) 494-6000
Grades Served: 9-12, Application

Detroit Collegiate Preparatory High School at Northwestern
2200 W. Grand Blvd.
P: 313-899-7370
Grades Served: 9-12, Application

Dr. Ben Carson High School of Science and Medicine
571 Mack Avenue
P: (313) 494-1805
Grades Served: 9-11, Application

Cody Academy of Public Leadership
18445 Cathedral
P: (313) 852-6612
Grades Served: 9-12

Cody Medicine and Community Health Academy
18445 Cathedral
P: (313) 866-9200
Grades Served: 9-12

Detroit Institute of Technology College Prep High School at Cody
18445 Cathedral
P: (313) 852-6606
Grades Served: 9-12

Osborn Collegiate Academy of Mathematics, Science & Technology
11600 E. 7 Mile Rd.
P: (313) 866-0360
Grades Served: 9-12

Osborn College Preparatory Academy
11600 E. 7 Mile Rd.
P: (313) 866-0350
Grades Served: 9-12

Osborn Evergreen Academy of Design, Technology & Alternative Energy
11600 E. 7 Mile Rd.
P: (313) 866-0343
Grades Served: 9-12

DPS Authorized Charter Schools
Aisha Shule/W.E.B. Dubois Preparatory School
20119 Wisconsin
P: (313) 345-6050
Grades Served: 6-12

Capstone Academy
3500 John R. and S250 John R.
P: (313) 576-5009
Grades Served: 6-12

David Ellis Academy
18977 Schafer
P: (313) 927-5395
Grades Served: K-6

EMAN Hamilton Academy
14233 Southampton
P: (313) 866-4505
Grades Served: K-8

GEE Edmonson Academy
1300 W. Canfield
P: (313) 228-0910
Grades Served: Pre-K-7

GEE White Academy
5161 Charles
P: (313) 866-3595
Grades Served: Pre-K-8

International Preparatory Academy, MacDowell Campus
4201 W. Outer Drive
P: (313) 494-7310
Grades Served: Pre-K-8

Martin Luther King, Jr. Education Center
16827 Appoline
P: (313) 341-4944
Grades Served: K-8

New Paradigm Glazer Academy
2001 La Belle
P: (313) 852-1500
Grades Served: Pre-K-6

New Paradigm Loving Academy
1000 Lynn
P: (313) 252-3028
Grades Served: Pre-K-6

Ross-Hill Academy
3111 Elmwood
P: (313) 922-8088
Grades Served: K-8

Rutherford Winans Academy
16411 Curtis
P: (313) 852-0709
Grades Served: Pre-K-5

Timbuktu Academy of Science and Technology
10800 E. Canfield
P: (313) 823-6000
Grades Served: K-8
DPS gets creative to get parents engaged and involved, and it’s WORKING!

Getting parents involved in their children’s education is a critical ingredient to DPS’ recipe for student success so DPS is getting creative with new and enhanced workshops and other cool offerings.

As of the start of the 2013 school year, DPS parent engagement in school programs had increased by 30%, parent involvement with their students’ activities increased by 63%, and parents reporting their attendance at parent meetings increased by 49% since the year before.

A total of 4,868 parents attended workshops, a nearly three-fold increase, and the number of parent meetings held at local schools increased by 25%.

Among the most valuable services provided at the district’s eight Parent Resource Centers were workshops, computers, staff and family support, and academic toolkits.

In total, parents visited our PRCs 29,200 times during the school year, which is a 7% increase over the previous year.

The district is also on track to have more than 5,000 parents visit workshops by the end of the school year.

What’s new:

• One-Stop Support Shop at Drew Transition Center, where parents of students with special needs can access an array of services
• Dad’s clubs
• New workshops hosted by the Home Depot
• Specialty “Baby and Me” workshops for parents of children ages 0-5
• Free access to online tax preparation, and more!
• In April and May: Making your Money Matter series

DPS also offers Parent Connect, an online program to allow parents to keep track of their students’ attendance, grades and more! For more information, or to find out how to sign up, go to www.detroitk12.org/parents
Parents of students with special needs now have a One-Stop Support Shop centrally located on the campus of Drew Transition Center, 9600 Wyoming. The new Parent Resource Center at Drew opened in September 2012 to serve all Detroit Public Schools parents with students in the district’s Special Education Program.

The One-Stop Support Shop provides ongoing services from a variety of partners and service providers including: Community Living Services, Detroit Parent Network, Alliance for Families, Michigan Rehabilitation Services, Neighborhood Service Organization, PsyGenics and Synergy Partners LLC.

Throughout the school year, parents are able to participate in mini workshops, receive information from partners, and hear from parent panels.

A full continuum of education and support services are offered for students from birth to age 26. Special needs students within DPS who meet state requirements will earn diplomas, and most benefit from the Inclusion Model, which places students classified as learning disabled into a general education setting while providing instructional support and other services.

Healthy eating helps to create healthy minds and bodies. That’s why the Office of School Nutrition is committed to supporting the educational development of our students by providing FREE healthy breakfasts and hot nutritional lunches to all students in grades K-12. On-site preparation ensures that meals are served hot in compliance with Federal, State and local Health Department regulations.

And through the Farm to School program, DPS and the local farming community work together to offer fresh fruits and vegetables at schools. Each month local farmers are identified by the Office of School Nutrition to deliver fresh fruits and/or vegetables to each school in an effort to support Michigan-based farmers, as well as increase student exposure to fresh foods.

DPS is excited to offer parents multiple ways to learn about district and individual school news, including personalized and automated calls and a new service that allows us to deliver important information to you via text messaging.

How? Simply text the word “yes” to the number 68453.

Note: The district must have accurate contact information for you on file at your child’s school.
B.O.L.D. businesses do their part to support DPS students

Employees from businesses and organizations across the metro Detroit area are leaving their desks and stepping inside classrooms to help improve academic achievement in schools throughout the district.

Through the DPS Volunteer Business Corps/B.O.L.D. Program (Businesses/Organizations Optimizing Learning in Detroit), more than 100 businesses and organizations are directly linked with schools. Through these strong partnerships, students enjoy mentorship and tutoring programs, academic enrichment, school makeovers, field trips and so much more.

Some of our key Business Corps Partners are:

**PNC Bank** partners with several DPS schools through its Grow Up Great program including Beard Early Childhood Center, Blackwell Institute, Burton International Academy, Emerson Elementary-Middle School, Fleming Early Childhood Center, Priest Elementary-Middle School and Schulze Elementary-Middle School. PNC Grow Up Great is a multi-year, $350 million initiative designed to improve early childhood education — particularly in underserved areas — from birth to age five for success in school and life. The program emphasizes math, science, the arts and financial education for young children.

**Lear Corporation**, partner of East English Village Preparatory Academy and J.E. Clark Preparatory Academy for a three-year Student Tutoring Program which aims to strengthen educational pathways and lifelong learning at each school. One hundred EEVPA students travel four days each week to neighboring Clark Academy through a paid tutoring program aimed at raising student achievement and supporting successful transitions to high school. The $1.5 million initiative also involved the installation of a new computer lab at Clark, mentoring by Lear executives, and supports neighborhood efforts to improve the physical environment around the schools.

**Compuware Corporation**, partner of Marcus Garvey African Centered Academy and Bunche Elementary-Middle School. In addition to volunteering weekly to read with students, Compuware also hosts monthly skits and round-table talks on topics ranging from "Body Pride" to "What You Do Today Follows You for the Rest of Your Life." Students also enjoy an annual End-of-the-Year Celebration at the Compuware Headquarters.

**Fifth Third Bank** provides creative financial literacy programs to Northwestern High School, Randolph Career and Technical Center, Golightly Career and Technical Center, Davis Aerospace High School and Brewer Elementary-Middle School.
Volunteer Readers: We need YOU!

In celebration of recent MEAP test reading gains, DPS is issuing a call for new Reading Corps volunteers! A Reading Corps Rally and Training in March attracted nearly 500 attendees and an estimated 275 new volunteers who received training after the rally. Current tutors from across metro Detroit, who number nearly 900, were also honored. Volunteers are expected to commit one hour weekly or bi-weekly to tutor two students for one-half hour each. For more information, please e-mail readingcorps@detroitk12.org

The Detroit Public Schools Foundation is calling all DPS alumni!

Did you attend a DPS elementary, middle or high school? If so, you’re considered a great product of DPS! To help alumni – new and not so new – support the district, the DPS Foundation has developed a program making it easy for alumni to keep in touch with their academic roots and to support programs and activities benefitting DPS students. Reinforcing the strong connection DPS alumni feel toward their schools and the students of Detroit, the DPS Foundation has built an online community at DPSAlumni.org to make getting involved, giving back and reuniting with fellow alumni easier.

DPS students need the support of alumni. Take this opportunity to get involved and impact a student’s life. Start by registering with us today at dpsalumni.org
Safety is a top priority at DPS

The DPS Police Department, a deputized police force, includes 53 police officers patrolling schools 24-7. The district also has 43 Campus Police Officers at all high schools, and at other sites, and security personnel in all K-8 schools, as well as additional security officers in all high schools.

The Department is housed in a new $5.6 million 23,000-sq ft. state of the art Command Center and Headquarters that opened in January 2011. At the Command Center, DPS officers can monitor campuses 24-hours a day using high-tech video surveillance cameras and alarms.

Many schools have updated alarm and video surveillance packages throughout the interior and exterior that are fed to video systems at the Command Center. And to make schools safer for students and staff, DPS has instituted a visitor ID badge system, requiring visitors to all Detroit Public Schools high schools, career technical schools and the district’s new Police Command Center be put through on-the-spot sex-offender registry checks as part of a new security clearance system.

All high school students have also been issued new photo ID badges that are color-coded by school, allowing campus security personnel to instantly identify students who belong on their campus.

Stats show safer schools

Comparing the 2010-11 and 2011-12 school years, overall on-campus incidents were down 10%, from 1,207 to 1,087 reported incidents, with 70 of 115 schools reporting declines in activity.

Reported reductions in serious crimes were sharper, with decreases of 15 to 61%: B&E’s, down 28%; arson, down 61%; felonious assaults, down 35%; concealed weapons, down 15%; and robbery, down 28%.

Detroit Public School League: Building on a legacy of success

Composed of the athletic teams from Detroit’s 21 public senior high schools, the Detroit Public School League continues to build on a legacy of success. The PSL each year produces many of the state’s top high school teams and premier student-athletes while never wavering from its primary goals, which are: providing opportunities for student-athletes to develop their athletic talents; promoting leadership, team-building skills and good sportsmanship; and maintaining an academic focus that maximizes opportunities for student-athletes to earn college scholarships and strengthens their preparedness for higher education.

College recruiters flock to PSL events because of the league’s well-documented reputation for developing top-notch athletic talent. Though most noted for its basketball and football prowess, the PSL offers a full range of competition in track and field, cross country, tennis, golf and swimming for boys; and softball, volleyball, track and field, cross country, tennis and golf for girls.

Each year, the PSL hosts its football championship game at Ford Field, its baseball championships at Comerica Park, and its basketball and softball championships at the University of Detroit Mercy. No other league can boast of hosting its premier events in the city’s premier sports venues.

Fittingly, the PSL has become an acronym for Proud Strong Learners. Based on standout athletic performances as nominated by their coaches, a boy and girl student-athlete each week are named the Proud Strong Learners of the Week, culminating with the annual Proud Strong Learners of the Year Awards ceremony in June when all the weekly honorees are celebrated at a special event. On every level of high school athletics, the PSL continues to be second to none.

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