K-8 Choice Programs

Indianapolis Public Schools (IPS) offers a variety of Choice options for students in Grades K–8 that fit every child and every learning style.

These schools focus on different academic methods — Reggio Emilia, Montessori, Paideia, Spanish Immersion, Medical/STEM, High Ability, International Baccalaureate and others — to ensure that all students are prepared for the next phase of their academic journey.

CLASSICAL LIBERAL ARTS
Herron Preparatory Academy | Grades K–3
110 E 16th St., Indianapolis, IN
Offering a world-class, classical, liberal arts curriculum in the heart of Indianapolis, Herron Preparatory Academy is creating a new standard for excellence in public education. A sister school to Herron High School and Riverside High School.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
Cold Spring School | Grades K–8
3650 Cold Spring Road, Indianapolis, IN 46222
Students learn through an environmental education which helps them discover the human impact on nature and how to preserve the earth.

HIGH-ABILITY LEARNERS
Sidener Academy for High Ability Students | Grades 2–8
2424 Kessler Blvd. E. Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46220
Students gain math, science, language and social studies skills through learning projects on topics of interest as they discover the answers to their own questions. (Students must be tested to enter this program.)

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
Center for Inquiry School 2 | Grades K–8
725 N. New Jersey St., Indianapolis, IN 46202
Center for Inquiry School 27 | Grades Pre-K–K–8
545 E. 19th St., Indianapolis, IN 46202
Center for Inquiry School 70 | Grades K–8
510 46th St., Indianapolis, IN 46205
Center for Inquiry School 84 | Grades K–8
440 E. 57th St., Indianapolis, IN 46220
Students learn through discussion, writing, reading, collaborative projects and the study of local and world issues. They are developed into internationally-minded individuals. (CFI students can only enter Grades Pre-K–7.)

MEDICAL/STEM
Henry W. Longfellow Medical/STEM Middle School 28 | Grades 7–8
510 Laurel St., Indianapolis, IN 46203
Students work to gather the skills to think critically, solve complex problems, and drive advancements in math, science, technology and medical curricula. Students also have the opportunity to take Algebra I and II.

MONTESSORI
Francis W. Parker School 56 | Grades Pre-K–K–8
2353 N. Columbia Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46205
George Washington Carver School 87 | Grades Pre-K–K–8
2411 Indianapolis Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46208
Rousseau McClellan School 91 | Grades K–8
5111 Evanston Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46205
Students learn through self-directed activities on the part of the child and observation on the part of the teacher. It is a highly hands-on approach to learning. (Students can enter without previous Montessori experience at Grades Pre-K–1, 4, 6 and 7.)

PAIDEIA (THE CULTURE OF SOCIETY)
Ernie Pyle School 90 | Grades Pre-K–6
3351 W. 18th St., Indianapolis, IN 46222
Students learn through the basic skills of reading, writing, math and scientific methods, as well as the development of social skills in every learning experience.

REGGIO INSPIRED (PROJECT-BASED LEARNING)
IPS/Butler University Laboratory School 60 | Grades Pre-K–8
3330 N. Pennsylvania Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46205
IPS/Butler University Laboratory School 55 | Grades Pre-K–8
1349 E. 54th St, Indianapolis, IN 46202
Students gain math, science, language and social studies skills through learning projects on topics of interest as they discover the answers to their own questions.

ACTION-BASED LEARNING
Frederick Douglass SUPER School 19 | Grades K–8
2020 Dawson St., Indianapolis, IN 46203
Students learn and understand through a powerful and energetic philosophy of learning through movement, music and technology.

SPANISH IMMERSION
Theodore Potter School 74 | Grades K–6
1601 E. 10th St., Indianapolis, IN 46201
Students gain math, science, language and social studies skills through learning projects on topics of interest as they discover the answers to their own questions. (Students can only enter Theodore Potter without Spanish-language experience in Grades K–2.)

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS
Edison School of the Arts 47 | Grades K–8
777 S. White River Parkway W. Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46221
Students are inspired to achieve excellence in education in a culturally diverse environment through developing creativity in the arts.

WORLD LANGUAGES/STEM/SPANISH IMMERSION
Harshman Middle School | Grades 7–8
1501 E. 10th St., Indianapolis, IN 46201
Students gain skills and the ability to think critically, solve complex problems and drive advancements in science and technology. Students also have the opportunity to take Algebra I and II.

CHOICE APPLICATION LOTTERY

During the Choice Application Lottery, families should apply online through the Enroll Indy OneMatch app at www.enrollindy.org/apply. Families can now apply to IPS Choice, Innovation and Neighborhood schools.

Lottery dates are:

ROUND 2: Jan. 26—April 20, 2023 (results released May 11, 2023)

Other Ways to Apply
Submitting your application online is the preferred method, but families can also apply by calling Enroll Indy at 317-426-3234.

For a list of non–Choice options, including traditional and neighborhood Pre-K–8 schools, visit www.myips.org.