

UNIT 4
MAGNET
SCHOOLS

TODAY WE
BECOME.

Elementary

GARDEN HILLS
ACADEMY
MATH + ENGINEERING
LEADERSHIP

Elementary

STRATTON
ACADEMY
OF THE ARTS

Middle-Grade

FRANKLIN
STEAM
ACADEMY

Today we become

Joyful **risk-takers.**

Bold **questioners.**

Vibrant **problem solvers.**

At Unit 4's elementary and middle Magnet Schools, minds ignite with the excitement of learning.

Students **explore** their burning curiosities,
resulting in astonishing lightbulb moments.
Your kids will be **ready to take on life** beyond
school, becoming experienced learners
equipped with **empathy** and **authenticity.**

WHY CHOOSE A MAGNET SCHOOL





Parents choose Magnet Schools for several reasons.

They might be a **better fit** for your kids' **learning styles** and **strengths**.

The thematic instruction is **engaging** and **inspiring**.

Their **diversity** ensures that all students are **nurtured, supported,** and **valued**.

Typically, Magnet Schools have these defining features:

DIVERSITY

Magnet Schools strive to have student populations reflective of the broader community, which instills empathy, respect, and collaboration with people from a rich tapestry of backgrounds.

INNOVATIVE INSTRUCTION

Educators at Magnet Schools are committed to fostering students' different learning styles. With high expectations to empower all students, Magnet Schools emphasize teamwork, project-based learning, and community engagement.

UNIQUE LEARNING FOCUS

Centered around rigorous learning themes, like engineering, the arts, leadership, math and more, Magnet Schools focus on preparing kids for the world beyond school.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Students learn the value of partnerships that help build tomorrow's thriving communities. Here at Unit 4's Magnet Schools, kids acquire lifelong skills—and do pretty amazing projects—through collaboration and guidance from community leaders and organizations.

Magnet schools encourage students to become doers today, learning innovative, problem-solving approaches that truly prepare them for tomorrow.

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High expectations. High-level persistence.

Elementary education

At Garden Hills Academy, our focus on math and engineering prepares elementary school kids for a lifetime of serious inquiry and analytical thinking, while our leadership program empowers them to become tomorrow's global citizens.

Your student's education will be enhanced by integrating subject areas with a focus on math, engineering, and design that is exciting, challenging, and relevant.

The five pillars that Magnet Schools are founded on—diversity, innovative curriculum and professional development, academic excellence, high-quality instructional systems, and family and community partnerships—will all play a role in shaping your student's academic and social education.

Learn more about math and engineering leadership thematic instruction:

magnet.champaignschools.org/gardenhills | 2001 Garden Hills Drive, Champaign, IL 61821 · (217) 351-3872

**GARDEN HILLS
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Elementary education

Stratton Arts Academy in downtown Champaign teaches the elementary school core curriculum through an arts lens, including visual art, music, drama, and dance. We foster thorough self-expression and persistence today that results in tomorrow's big-picture thinkers and career-ready leaders.

Arts integration presents students with the opportunity to learn through inquiry-based hands-on experiences in the classrooms.

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Learn how your student could benefit from arts-integrated education:

magnet.champaignschools.org/stratton | 902 North Randolph Street, Champaign, IL 61820 · (217) 373-7330

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Today's ingenuity. Tomorrow's innovators.

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Middle-level education

At Franklin STEAM Academy, we create connections in our middle school's project-based approach to education.

Where technology-rich learning integrates subjects, and where today's imagination and grit solve real world issues tomorrow.

Alongside their core curriculum, your student will have the option to explore classes and extra-curricular opportunities in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math that are exciting, challenging, and rewarding.

The five pillars that Magnet Schools are founded on—diversity, innovative curriculum and professional development, academic excellence, high-quality instructional systems, and family and community partnerships—will all play a role in shaping your student's academic and social education. The innovative thematic instruction at Franklin STEAM Academy will provide your student with the preparation to succeed in their educational careers and in the workplace.

Learn more about opportunities at Franklin STEAM Academy:

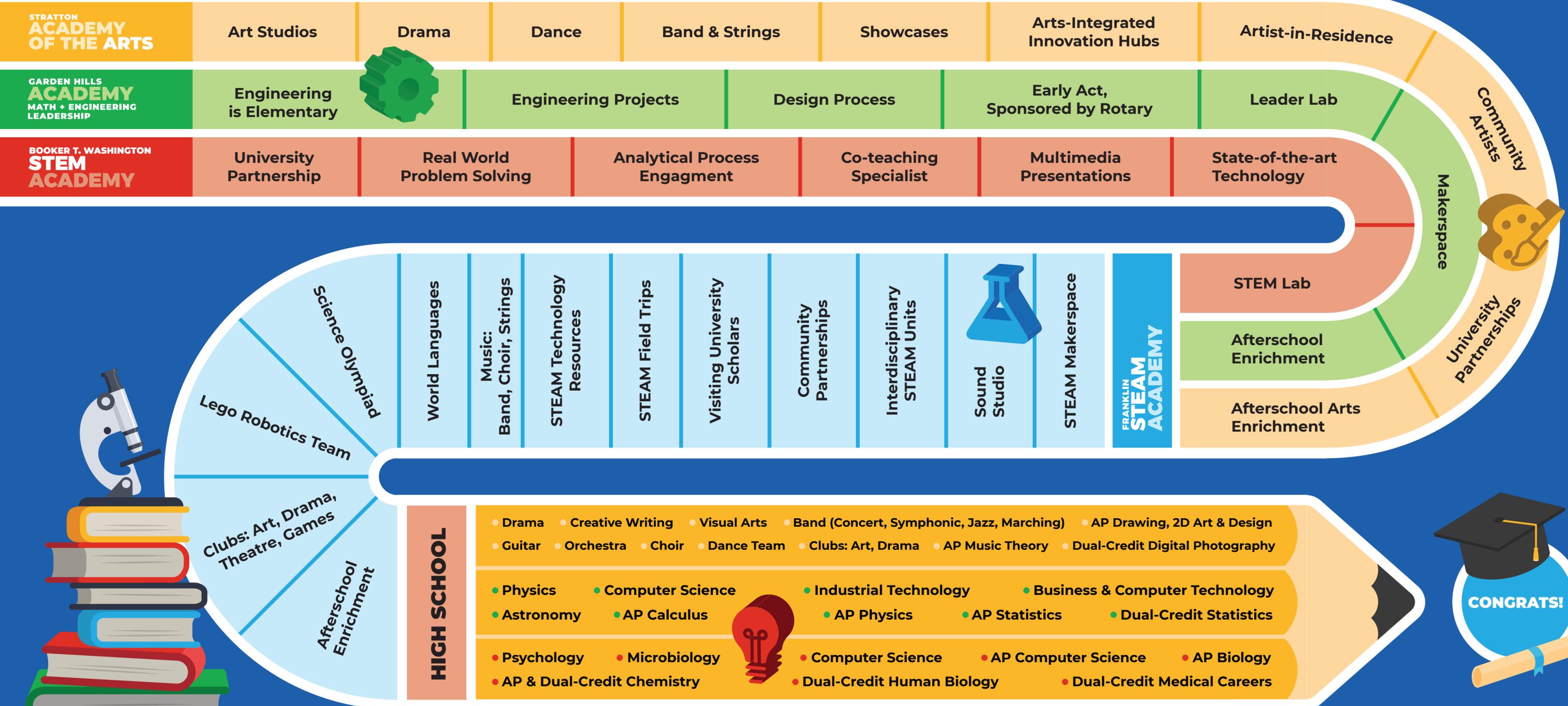
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How can my student get into a Magnet School?

If your child is entering kindergarten, new to Unit 4 and entering grades 1 through 8, or a current Unit 4 student requesting a transfer, **you can indicate your preference for a Magnet School during the enrollment process.**

Magnet schools are open to any student in the district.

For more information visit www.champaignschools.org/choice

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