



SUMMER NEWSLETTER

The latest news from the City of St. Charles School District



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Superintendent's Desk

Dr. Jason T. Sefrit, Superintendent

Our 2022-2023 school year was a success in so many ways. I'm very proud of the work our staff and students accomplished together. We have definitely turned the page from the pandemic, and we are hard at work preparing for the start of the 2023-2024 school year. The first day of school is Tuesday, August 22nd. Our primary focus continues to be to provide a learning environment that is safe, respectful, and where everyone is responsible for ensuring a high level of learning and growth for every student.

Our Big Rocks of Response to Intervention (RTI) and Student Needs continue to drive our district's mission to **Reach, Teach, and Empower** all students.



Every day, students and staff are valued, supported, and loved as we continue to work together toward our shared goals. SCSD is a special place where students and staff can bring their diverse backgrounds, skill sets, and passion to better themselves, others, and the group as a whole. We are truly united in our strength of diversity, equity, and inclusion.

We are excited to share that The City of St. Charles School District is implementing and participating in district-wide **Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS)**. PBIS is a systematic approach aimed at establishing positive student culture. It is designed to benefit all students across all environments in school to help create a safe and effective learning environment. SCSD is committed to **Reach, Teach, and Empower** optimal student behaviors. At all times, staff and students are expected to: “**BE** Safe, **BE** Respectful, and **BE** Responsible as a Learner and a Leader.”

I want to thank you again for approving our latest no-tax rate increase bond issue initiative in the spring of 2021. Because of your support, major projects are taking place throughout the school district. This summer, Monroe, Blackhurst and Null are all three under major renovations. Other district-wide projects this summer include HVAC work, the continuation of the rekeying of doors, and the construction of a new press box at SCHS. Projects from the latest bond issue will continue to take place over the next couple of years. Also, please make sure you check out the district fact sheet in this newsletter. You will be able to get a quick snapshot of key facts (student, staff, financial, and other pertinent information) about the district.

It’s my continued honor and privilege to serve as Superintendent of the City of St. Charles School District. We can’t wait to start another year-long journey with you. Thank you for your ongoing support! Our schools are strong because of the wonderful staff, students, families, and supporters that make up our unique and highly successful community/district.

Enjoy the rest of your summer. We can’t wait to see you on August 22nd!

#BEscsd,
Jason T. Sefrit, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools



The City of St. Charles School District

MISSION

The City of St. Charles School District will REACH, TEACH, and EMPOWER all students in a safe, diverse, and innovative learning environment.

VISION

The City of St. Charles School District will be a leader of academic excellence that prepares students to be successful in all aspects of life.

VALUES

We, the City of St. Charles School District community of students, parents, staff and patrons, value:

- High quality education for all students
- Highly qualified staff
- Informed decisions

GOALS

1. STUDENT PERFORMANCE:

- Increasing student achievement
- Systematic approach to intervention and enrichment
- High quality professional development and research-based best practices
- Trauma informed schools and social-emotional needs

2. HIGHLY QUALIFIED STAFF:

- Recruit a culturally diverse staff
- Competitive salaries/benefits for all staff
- Explore opportunities for additional staffing to support:
 - Instructional and mental health supports
 - Content-area specialists

3. FACILITIES, SUPPORT, AND INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES:

- Provide excellent facilities and support services for the district
- Ensure the safety and security for students, staff, and visitors
- Provide high quality instructional resources for students, teachers, and families
- Maintain and enhance district technology resources

4. PARENT AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

- Centralized/standardized method of communication
- Systematic/proactive in supporting families
- Engage ALL families
- Build intentional partnerships with community

5. GOVERNANCE:

- Provide K-12 school transitions to include efficiency, strong communication within those transitions, and continued evaluation of our grade level model
- Maintain fiscal responsibility and consider opportunities to balance resources to assure equity throughout the District
- Improve the public image of the District and continuing the utilization of the SCSD United plan

SCSD Facts & Stats



- Founded in 1846
- Accreditation Status: Fully Accredited
- PreK-12 Student Enrollment: 4,844
- Average Class Size: 18
- 13:1 student to teacher ratio (lowest in St. Charles County)
- Free & Reduced Lunch Rate: 26.8%
- Average Years of Experience for Teachers: 12.3
- Teachers with Advanced Degrees: 72.9% (State avg. 62%)
- Expenditure per Pupil: \$16,717
- Revenue Sources: 77.7% Local, 15.18% State, 7.12% Federal
- Dropout Rate: 2.8%
- Average ACT Score: 21.6
- Assessed Valuation: \$1,195,823,498
- Tax Levy: \$4.95 (2022)

SCSD Food Services



Charwells Food Service Bullet Update

- Beginning SY 2023-24, you will see a few new exciting updates with Food Service including these new resources to make applications and adding funds that much easier!
- Free and Reduced Applications can be completed online at mySchoolApps.
- mySchoolBucks will give parents and staff the flexibility to view cafe purchases, access meal balances, and add funds to accounts at any time.
- New exciting programs rolling out in cafes, including Student Choice, Global Eats, and Mood Boost!!!
- Looking forward to a Happy & Healthy New School Year! Thank you!

2023-24 SCSD Meal Prices

Elementary: Breakfast \$2.00, Lunch \$3.05

Middle & High: Breakfast \$2.00, Lunch \$3.10/\$3.35/\$3.75/\$4.10

Adults: Breakfast \$2.60, Lunch \$5.40

SCSD Human Resources

COME JOIN US!

SCSD is hiring special education teachers & paraprofessionals for the 2023-24 school year! Join a team that offers competitive pay, great benefits and the opportunity to change the world!



Scan the QR code to apply now!



SCSD is still hiring for the upcoming 2023-24 school year. SPED teachers, paraprofessionals and aides are some of our biggest needs. Use the QR code in the graphic above to view and apply for our open positions. Come join our amazing team and make a difference in your community!

SCSD Transportation Update



SCSD Transportation awarded 10th Fleet Excellence Award

The Transportation Department is proud to announce earning another Fleet Excellence Award for 2023. This award is issued by the Missouri State Highway Patrol and marks our 7th consecutive year of excellence under retiring Director, Cindy Priest’s leadership. Thank you Cindy for your hard work and dedication in transporting our students safely and efficiently. From “The Fun Department”, we wish “Bubbles” the absolute best in retirement!

Stanley Fowler will be “taking the wheel” as Director of Transportation. Having worked under Cindy’s leadership for nearly 9 years, as Dispatcher and Assistant Director, there is a welcome continuity of leadership in place to keep things running smoothly.

We also have some new additions to our office staff that are quickly getting up to speed on operations. Rob Anderson joins us as our new Assistant Director and we also have our Router/Dispatchers, India Barnes-Dobbins and Michele Arndt to keep the buses on track on a daily basis.

We are very grateful for our drivers and monitors, who work hard every day to provide the very best of service to our district. We will continue to provide the highest level of Safety and Professionalism to our students and families for the 2023-24 school year!

See you soon!

2022-23 SCSD Teacher of the Year



Congratulations to Hardin Middle School music teacher Jeffrey Collier on being named the 2022-23 SCSD District Teacher of the Year. In addition to being named the District Teacher of the Year, Mr. Collier was also selected by the Missouri Regional Teacher of the Year Committee as one of 10 awardees for the Missouri Regional Teacher of the Year for the St. Louis region. Mr. Collier is now eligible for Missouri State Teacher of the Year! What an exciting recognition of Mr. Collier's accomplishments!

Mr. Collier will be recognized for this achievement at a ceremony on August 7th. Way to go Mr. Jeffrey Collier!

SCSD 2023-24 District Calendars

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DECEMBER
8 Early Release Day (ERD)
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22-29 NO SCHOOL: Winter Break
JANUARY
1-5 NO SCHOOL: Winter Break
8 Classes Resume
12 Early Release Day (ERD)
15 NO SCHOOL: Martin Luther King Day
FEBRUARY
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19 NO SCHOOL: President's Day
23 End of Trimester (PreK-4 grade)
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MARCH
1 NO SCHOOL
22 Early Release Day (ERD)
25-29 NO SCHOOL: Spring Break
APRIL
1 NO SCHOOL: Easter Monday
12 Early Release Day (ERD)
MAY
3 Early Release Day (ERD)
24 Grades K-12: Last Day of school, Early Release Day (ERD), end of semester/trimester and 3 hr Teacher Work Day
28 - 31 Snow Make Up Days
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Hardin Middle School	7:20 AM	2:20 PM
Jefferson Intermediate School	8:05 AM	3:05 PM
St. Charles High School	7:20 AM	2:20 PM
St. Charles West High School	7:20 AM	2:20 PM
Success Campus - AM Session	7:35 AM	10:35 AM
Success Campus - PM Session	11:20 AM	2:20 PM
Lewis & Clark - AM Session	7:40 AM	10:25 AM
Lewis & Clark - PM Session	11:10AM	1:55 PM

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SCW Freshman/New Student Orientation	Aug. 7	5:30-7:00PM

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Back to School Nights**

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Harris-Kdg.Roundup	August 1	5:00-7:00PM
Harris-Grades K-4 th	August 17	5:30-7:00PM
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Monroe-PTO Swim Party	August 10	7:30PM
Monroe-Grades K-4th	August 17	4:00PM
Null Pool Party K-4 th	July 11	7:30-9:30PM
Null Kdg/New Student	July 31	10-12/4-6PM
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High School Graduations

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13	14 X	15	16	17	11	12	13	14	15	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	18	19	20	21	22	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30		25	26	27	28	29	29	30	31		
SD=19					SD=14					SD=17				
February-24					March-24					April-24				
MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
			1	2					1	1	2	3	4	5
5	6	7	8	9	4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	12
12	13	14	15	16	11	12	13	14	15	15	16	17	18	19
19	20	21	22	23 X	18	19	20	21	22	22	23	24	25	26
26	27	28 Evening Caterpillars	29 P/T Conf.		25	26	27	28	29	29	30			
SD=18					SD=15					SD=21				
May-24					June-24					July-24				
MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
		1	2	3	3 Snow Make-Up	4 Snow Make-Up	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	10	11	12	13	14	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	17	18	19	20	21	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 X	24 Snow Make-Up	24	25	26	27	28	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Snow Make-Up	29 Snow Make-Up	30 Snow Make-Up	31 Snow Make-Up						29	30	31		
SD=17					SD=15					SD=21				

Students First Day of Class

Schools not in session

X End of Trimester

166 Student Days (SD)

Trimester 1 =55 days
Trimester 2 =55 days
Trimester 3 =56 days

Snow make-up days are added to the end of the school year. Students and Staff should not plan vacations at these times.

St. Charles School District
2023-2024
Preschool Student Calendar

IMPORTANT DATES	
AUGUST	
22 First Day of School	
SEPTEMBER	
4 NO SCHOOL: Labor Day	
15 NO SCHOOL	
17 Constitution Day	
OCTOBER	
20 NO SCHOOL	
25 Parent - Teacher (P-T) Conferences, evening	
26 NO SCHOOL: Parent-Teacher (P-T) Conferences, day and evening	
27 NO SCHOOL	
30 NO SCHOOL	
NOVEMBER	
10 All schools will conduct Veteran's Day activities	
15 End of Trimester	
22-24 NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Break	
DECEMBER	
21-29 NO SCHOOL: Winter Break	
JANUARY	
1-5 NO SCHOOL: Winter Break	
8 Classes Resume	
15 NO SCHOOL: Martin Luther King Day	
FEBRUARY	
16 NO SCHOOL	
19 NO SCHOOL: President's Day	
23 End of Trimester	
28 Parent - Teacher Conferences, evening	
29 NO SCHOOL, Parent-Teacher Conferences, afternoon and evening	
MARCH	
1 NO SCHOOL	
25-29 NO SCHOOL: Spring Break	
APRIL	
1 NO SCHOOL: Easter Monday	
MAY	
23 Last Day of School	
28 - 31 Snow Make Up Days	
JUNE	
3-4 Snow Make Up Days	

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Success Campus - AM Session	7:35 AM	10:35 AM
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Lewis & Clark - AM Session	7:40 AM	10:25 AM
Lewis & Clark - PM Session	11:10AM	1:55 PM

STARTING AND DISMISSAL TIMES FOR 3 Hr. EARLY DISMISSAL		
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Schedule Pick-up Times 2023-24

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SCHS Freshman	Aug. 8	5:30-8:30PM
SCHS-10 th , 11 th , 12 th	Aug. 9	12:30-3:30PM
SCHS-10 th , 11 th , 12 th	Aug. 9	5:30-8:30PM
SCW 10 th , 11 th , 12 th	Aug. 8	8:30-11:30AM
SCW 10 th , 11 th , 12 th	Aug. 9	8:30-11:30AM
SCW Freshman/New Student Orientation	Aug. 7	5:30-7:00PM

Open House and
Back to School Nights

	Date	Time
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Monroe Kdg. Roundup	August 8	5:00PM
Monroe-PTO Swim Party	August 10	7:30PM
Monroe-Grades K-4th	August 17	4:00PM
Null Pool Party K-4 th	July 11	7:30-9:30PM
Null Kdg/New Student	July 31	10-12/4-6PM
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Success Campus	August 31	5:30-7:00PM

High School Graduations

St. Charles High	June 1	11:00 AM
St. Charles West High	June 1	3:00 PM

St. Charles School District
2023-2024
ECSE Student Calendar

This calendar has snow days built into it. Please plan on attending school on these days.

August 23					September 23					October 23				
MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
	1	2	3	4					1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 First Day	23	24	25	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31		25	26	27	28	29	30	31			
SD=7					SD=15					SD=16				
November 23					December 23					January 24				
MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
		1	2	3					1	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	4	5	6	7	8	8 Students Return	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	11	12	13	14	15	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	18	19	20	21	22	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30		25	26	27	28	29	29	30	31		
SD=16					SD=11					SD=14				
February 24					March 24					April 24				
MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
			1	2					1	1	2	3	4	5
5	6	7	8	9	4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	12
12	13	14	15	16	11	12	13	14	15	15	16	17	18	19
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SD=15					SD=12					SD=17				
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27	28 Snow Make-Up	29 Snow Make-Up	30 Snow Make-Up	31 Snow Make-Up						29	30	31		
SD=14														

Students First Day of Class

Schools not in session

⌘ End of Trimester

136 Student Days (SD)
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 Trimester 3 =46 days

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St. Charles School District
2023-2024
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SCSD 2023-24 Contact Information

Blackhurst Elementary

- 2000 Elm St., 63301
- 636-443-4500
- Principal: Steve Wilson
- Secretary: Susan Orio

Coverdell Elementary

- 2475 West Randolph St., 63301
- 636-443-4600
- Principal: Dr. Chris Hallam
- Administrative Intern: Kristi Litton
- Secretary: Kelley Wilkinson

Harris Elementary

- 2800 Old Muegge Rd., 63303
- 636-443-4700
- Principal: Michelle Whitrock
- Administrative Intern: Kristi Litton
- Secretary: Julie Huber

Lincoln Elementary

- 625 South Sixth St., 63301
- 636-443-4650
- Principal: Julie Williams
- Secretary: Carmella Orosco

Monroe Elementary

- 2670 Zumbahl Rd., 63301
- 636-443-4800
- Principal: Tiffanie Worland
- Administrative Intern: Elisha Nemens
- Secretary: Julie Huber

Null Elementary

- 435 Yale Blvd., 63301
- 636-443-4900
- Principal: Dr. Kate Kimsey
- Secretary: Eryn McAlister

Maintenance Center

- 3800 West Clay, 63301
- 636-443-4880
- Director: Scott Bennett
- Secretary: Tracy Ringling

Transportation Department

- 3800 West Clay, 63301
- 636-443-4009
- Director: Stan Fowler
- Asst. Director: Robert Anderson
- Secretary: Brenda Richarz

District Administration Office

- 400 North Sixth St., 63301
- 636-443-4000
- Superintendent: Dr. Jason Sefrit
- Asst. to the Supt: Kelley Pendleton

Jefferson Intermediate School

- 2660 Zumbahl Rd., 63301
- 636-443-4400
- Principal: Dr. Amanda Denson
- Asst. Principal: Jason Joyner
- Asst. Principal: Casey Post
- Secretary: Lisa Wyman

Hardin Middle School

- 1950 Elm St., 63301
- 636-443-4300
- Principal: Dr. Stephanie Jewett
- Asst. Principal: Mr. Brian Kirton
- Asst. Principal: Loretta Smith
- Secretary: Mary King

St. Charles High School

- 725 North Kingshighway, 63301
- 636-443-4100
- Principal: Dr. Ted Happel
- Asst. Principal: Jeff Thorne
- Asst. Principal: Dr. Patricia Closson
- Activities Director: Ben Owens
- Secretary: Marilyn Bizelli

St. Charles West High School

- 3601 Droste Rd., 63301
- 636-443-4200
- Principal: Dr. Scott Voelkl
- Asst. Principal: Jack Williamson
- Asst. Principal: Jessica Hoban
- Activities Director: Eric Shroer
- Secretary: Donna Huster

Success Campus

- 1600 Waverly, 63301
- 636-443-4890
- Principal: Brett Kobernus
- Secretary: Elisa Rael

Lewis & Clark Career Center/ CAPS

- 2400 Zumbahl Rd., 63301
- 636-443-4950
- Director: Dr. Martin Hanley
- Asst. Director: Dr. Steven Smith
- CAPS Director: Erica Land
- Secretary: Cherie Jo Corley

Adult and Community Education

- 2400 Zumbahl Rd., 63301
- 636-443-4043
- Director: Dr. Steven Smith
- Secretary: Sarah Steinbruegge

Early Childhood Center

- 1301 Boone's Lick Rd., 63301
- 636-443-2900
- Principal: Dr. Ann Westbrook
- Secretary: Sharron Elliot

SCSD 2023-24 Official Notifications

SURVEYING, ANALYZING OR EVALUATING STUDENTS (Notification of Rights under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment)

Inspection

Parents may inspect, upon request, instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum and instructional materials, including teachers' manuals, films, tapes or other supplementary material, that will be used in connection with any survey, analysis or evaluation. Further, a parent may inspect, upon request, a survey created by a third party before the survey is administered or distributed by a school to a student. The term "instructional material" does not include academic tests or academic assessments.

In general, the district will not collect, disclose or use personal student information for the purpose of marketing or selling that information or otherwise providing the information to others for that purpose. In the rare case where the district may collect information from students for the purpose of marketing or selling that information, parents may inspect any instrument used before the instrument is administered or distributed to a student, upon request and in accordance with Board policy.

Parents will be notified at least annually at the beginning of the school year of this policy and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in the policy. The district will directly notify parents at least annually at the beginning of the school year of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when the above described surveys or evaluations are scheduled or expected to be scheduled or when information for the purpose of marketing will be collected. Parents have the opportunity to opt the student out of participation in any surveys or evaluations described in this policy.

Consent Required

In accordance with law, no student, as part of any program wholly or partially funded by the U.S. Department of Education, shall be required to submit to a survey, analysis or evaluation (hereafter referred to as "protected information survey") that reveals any of the following information without written consent of a parent:

1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent.
2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or the student's family.
3. Sex behavior or attitudes.
4. Illegal, antisocial, self-incriminating or demeaning behavior.
5. Critical appraisals of other individuals with whom respondents have close family relationships.
6. Legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as those of lawyers, physicians and ministers.
7. Religious practices, affiliations or beliefs of the student or the student's parent.
8. Income other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program.

Notice and Opportunity to Opt Out

In accordance with law, parents will receive prior notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of:

1. Any other protected information survey, as defined above, regardless of the funding source.
2. Any other nonemergency, invasive physical exam or screening required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school or its agent and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student, or any physical exam or screening permitted or required under state law, except for hearing, vision or scoliosis screenings.
3. Activities involving the collection, disclosure or use of personal information obtained from students for marketing, selling or otherwise distributing information to others.

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SURVEYING, ANALYZING OR EVALUATING STUDENTS (CONT.) (Notification of Rights under the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment)

The district will directly notify parents at the beginning of the school year of the specific or approximate dates during the school year when the above-listed activities will occur or are expected to be scheduled.

Notification of Policy and Privacy

In accordance with law, parents will be directly notified of this policy at least annually at the beginning of the school year and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive change in the policy.

If a survey covering one (1) or more of the eight (8) listed issues is distributed, regardless of the source of funding, the district will take measures to protect the identification and privacy of the students participating in a protected information survey, regardless of the source of funding. These measures may include limiting access to the completed surveys and the survey results as allowed by law. All student educational records will be protected in accordance with law and Board policy. Parents have the opportunity to opt the student out of participation in a survey covering one (1) or more of the eight (8) listed issues.

The provisions of this policy applicable to parents will transfer to a student who is 18 years old or emancipated.

MISSOURI COURSE ACCESS PROGRAM (MOCAP)

Because virtual instruction can be an effective education option for some students, the district may offer virtual courses to students through district staff or by contracting for those services as part of the district-sponsored curriculum. In addition, eligible students may enroll in virtual courses offered through the Missouri Course Access Program (MOCAP). The district will accept all grades and credits earned through district-sponsored virtual instruction and MOCAP.

The district will pay the costs of a virtual course only if the district has first approved the student's enrollment in the course as described in this policy. Even if a student or his or her parents/guardians pay the costs for a virtual course, the student or parents/guardians should meet with the principal or designee prior to enrollment to ensure that the course is consistent with the student's academic and personal goals.

The district is not required to provide students access to or pay for courses beyond the equivalent of full-time enrollment. The district will provide supervision for students who take virtual courses in district facilities but will not provide supervision for students taking virtual courses offsite.

Students taking courses virtually are subject to district policies, procedures and rules applicable to students enrolled in traditional courses including, but not limited to, the district's discipline code and prohibitions on academic dishonesty, discrimination, harassment, bullying and cyberbullying.

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2023-24 McKinney Vento Information

McKinney Vento Definition:

A homeless student lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence. This includes students who are staying in transitional or emergency shelters, campgrounds, or motels; sharing housing with other families due to a loss of housing or an inability to afford housing; abandoned in a hospital, staying in substandard housing or living in places not ordinarily used for sleeping; and students who have run away or have been thrown out of their homes.

Homeless students are automatically eligible to participate in the free and reduced lunch program, Title 1 instructional services, and other district services intended to support academic success such as transportation to the school of best interest. Please contact the Student Services office (636-443-4087) for further information.

Main Program Office:
City of St. Charles School District
Administration Building
400 N. 6th Street
St. Charles, MO 63301
Phone: 636-443-4087

Who Can We Help?

- Children and youth in temporary housing situations may be eligible for services and have certain legal rights if they are:
- Living with a friend, relative or someone else because they lost their home or can't afford a home, or are runaways*
- Staying in a motel or hotel*
- Living in an emergency or transitional shelter or a domestic violence shelter
- Staying in substandard housing*
- Living in a car, park, public place, abandoned building or bus or train station
- Living in a campground or an inadequate trailer home
- Abandoned in a hospital
- Living in a runaway or homeless youth shelter.

Note: *Consideration of each individual case, along with the permanency of the situation, may be needed to determine if students in these circumstances are homeless.



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2023-24 McKinney Vento Information (CONT.)

Local Liaisons:

City Of St. Charles School District
Julie McClard, Homeless Liaison
400 N. Sixth Street, St. Charles, MO 63301
636-443-4087

Francis Howell School District
Dr. Jennifer Patterson, Homeless Liaison
4545 Central School Road, St. Charles, MO 63304
636-851-4076

Fort Zumwalt School District
Dee Dee Boyle, Homeless Liaison
555 East Terra Lane, O'Fallon, MO 63366
636-240-2072

Orchard Farm R-V School District
Melissa Daniel, Director of Student Services
2165 Highway V, St. Charles, MO 63301
636-952-5461

Wentzville School District
Dr. Janell Mueller, Homeless Coordinator
1 Campus Drive, Wentzville, MO 63385
636-327-3800, ext. 20331

Resources for at-risk families:

[Click here for a searchable directory of available local resources for at-risk families.](#)

Are you homeless or at immediate risk of homelessness?

Coordinated Entry provides homeless, rental and utility assistance. Dial 2-1-1 or [click to learn more about Coordinated Entry for Homeless Services in St. Charles County.](#)

[Click here to view/download the Missouri Resource Guide.](#)



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NOTICE OF EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT OF 2015

Dear Parent or Guardian:

The City of St. Charles School District is required to inform you of information that you, according to the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (Public Law 114-95), have the right to know.

Upon your request, our district is required to provide to you in a timely manner, the following information:

- Whether your student's teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether your student's teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
- Whether your student's teacher is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher.
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

In addition to the information that parents may request, a building receiving Title I.A funds must provide to each individual parent:

- Information on the level of achievement and academic growth of your student, if applicable and available, on each of the State academic assessments required under Title I.A.
- Timely notice that your student has been assigned, or has been taught for 4 or more consecutive weeks by, a teacher who has not met applicable State certification or licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned.



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NOTICE OF EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT OF 2015 (CONT.)

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA)
COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

This guide explains how to file a complaint about any of the programs¹ that are administered by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) under the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA)¹

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1. **What is a complaint?**
 For these purposes, a complaint is a written allegation that a local education agency (LEA) or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) has violated a federal statute or regulation that applies to a program under ESSA.
2. **Who may file a complaint?**
 Any individual or organization may file a complaint.
3. **How can a complaint be filed?**
 Complaints can be filed with the LEA or with the Department.
4. **How will a complaint filed with the LEA be investigated?**
 Complaints filed with the LEA are to be investigated and attempted to be resolved according to the locally developed and adopted procedures.
5. **What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the local level (LEA)?**
 A complaint not resolved at the local level may be appealed to the Department.

¹ Programs include Title I, A, B, C, D, Title II, Title III, Title IV.A, Title V In compliance with ESSA Title VIII- Part C. Sec. 8304(a)(3)(C)

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Local education agencies are required to disseminate, free of charge, this information regarding ESSA complaint procedures to parents of students and appropriate private school officials or representatives.

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6. **How can a complaint be filed with the Department?**

A complaint filed with the Department must be a written, signed statement that includes:

1. A statement that a requirement that applies to an ESSA program has been violated by the LEA or the Department, and
2. The facts on which the statement is based and the specific requirement allegedly violated.

7. **How will a complaint filed with the Department be investigated?**

The investigation and complaint resolution proceedings will be completed within a time limit of forty-five calendar days. That time limit can be extended by the agreement of all parties.

The following activities will occur in the investigation:

1. **Record.** A written record of the investigation will be kept.
2. **Notification of LEA.** The LEA will be notified of the complaint within five days of the complaint being filed.
3. **Resolution at LEA.** The LEA will then initiate its local complaint procedures in an effort to first resolve the complaint at the local level.
4. **Report by LEA.** Within thirty-five days of the complaint being filed, the LEA will submit a written summary of the LEA investigation and complaint resolution. This report is considered public record and may be made available to parents, teachers, and other members of the general public.
5. **Verification.** Within five days of receiving the written summary of a complaint resolution, the Department will verify the resolution of the complaint through an on-site visit, letter, or telephone call(s).
6. **Appeal.** The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the U.S. Department of Education.

8. **How are complaints related to equitable services to nonpublic school children handled differently?**

In addition to the procedures listed in number 7 above, complaints related to equitable services will also be filed with the U.S. Department of Education, and they will receive all information related to the investigation and resolution of the complaint. Also, appeals to the United States Department of Education must be filed no longer than thirty days following the Department's resolution of the complaint (or its failure to resolve the complaint).

9. **How will appeals to the Department be investigated?**

The Department will initiate an investigation within ten days, which will be concluded within thirty days from the day of the appeal. This investigation may be continued beyond the thirty day limit at the discretion of the Department. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Department will communicate the decision and reasons for the decision to the complainant and the LEA. Recommendations and details of the decision are to be implemented within fifteen days of the decision being delivered to the LEA.

10. **What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the state level (the Department)?**

The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the United States Department of Education.

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INITIAL ANNUAL WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO USE PUBLIC FUNDED PROGRAM BENEFITS OR INSURANCE Medicaid--MO HealthNet

Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 (IDEA) allows school districts to use specific government funded public program benefits to assist with costs associated with special education services. Amended federal regulations require the District to provide initial written notification, and annually thereafter, to the student's parent/guardian before accessing the student's or parent's government funded *public* program benefits or insurance for billing purposes (i.e., Medicaid – MO HealthNet) for the first time on or after March 18, 2013 and prior to obtaining one-time written parental consent. *Participation in MO HealthNet for Kids and/or MO HealthNet program is not required for any student to receive free appropriate public education (FAPE) under IDEA.*

One-time written parental consent to release personally identifiable information to the State's Medicaid agency, healthcare staff or other public insurance programs to determine, access and recover entitled program benefits from a student's or parent's government funded public program benefits or insurance will be sought by the District. Consent is voluntary and may be revoked at any time. Consent does not give the District permission to access private insurance benefits. Failure to consent will not result in denial or limitation of services for the student nor limit rights to a free appropriate public education (FAPE) under IDEA.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to:

Mrs. Julie McClard
Executive Director of Special Education/Student Services
400 North Sixth Street
St. Charles, MO 63301

636-443-4086
jmclard@stcharlessd.org

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STUDENT DIRECTORY INFORMATION NOTICE Notification of Rights to Parents, Guardians and Students

Under Missouri's "Sunshine" law, The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, The Elementary and Secondary Education Act, and under Board Policy JO-R, KI and JHDA, district parents, guardians and students are entitled to be notified annually of certain rights regarding the disclosure of key information. The following notifications are intended to comply with those requirements.

A. Directory Information: By law, the district hereby notifies parents of its intent to consider the information listed below as "Directory Information." Such information is not generally considered to be harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. Further, such information is considered "public record" and must be released by the district to any person who requests it under the Missouri Sunshine Law (610.010.030, RsMo).

Directory Information:

1. Student's name
2. Parents' names
3. Photograph or other likeness
4. Most recent previous school attended
5. Art work or course work displayed by the district
6. Grade level
7. Verification of enrollment
8. Participation in school-based activities and sports
9. Weight and height of members of athletic teams
10. Honors and awards received

Parents and/or eligible students have ten (10) schools days after this notice to inform the district in writing that they choose to not have any or all of the directory information listed above released. Unless notified to the contrary, the district will disclose any of the above listed information without the parent's or eligible student's prior written consent.

B. Required Disclosure: Parents are notified that the district is required to release a junior or senior student's name, address and telephone number to military recruiters and institutions of higher education upon request. Parents may request that the district not release this information in writing, and the district will comply with this request.

C. Sale or Marketing: As a rule, the district does not collect and disclose personal or directory information, or disclose previously collected personal or directory information, for marketing or sale (by the district or by others). Should a marketing or sale related release of information be considered by the district, parents would be notified as to when the release would be scheduled or expected to be scheduled. Parents may inspect any instruments to be used to collect such information, and would be offered the opportunity to opt their student out of such an activity at that time.



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STUDENT DIRECTORY INFORMATION NOTICE (CONT.)

Exceptions to this policy include the following:

1. College, Other Post Secondary and Military Recruitment
2. Book Clubs and Other Programs Providing Access to Low Cost Literary Products
3. Curriculum and Instructional Materials Used by Schools
4. Certain Tests and Assessments Used by Schools
5. The Sale of Products or Services to Raise Funds for Schools
6. Student Recognition Programs

For purposes for this policy, “personal information” means individually identifiable information, to include a student’s and parent’s first and last name.

D. Surveying Students: Occasionally, the district is asked or required to survey students. Parents may inspect upon request, a survey created by a third party before the survey is administered to their child. Occasionally, surveys fully or partially funded by the U.S. Department of Education may be administered. No child will be required to submit to a survey that reveals information concerning:

1. Political Affiliation
2. Mental or Psychological Problems of Student or Family
3. Sexual Behavior or Attitudes
4. Illegal, Anti-social, Self-incriminating, or Demeaning Behavior
5. Critical Appraisals of Others With Whom Respondents Have Close Family Relationships
6. Legally Recognized Privileged or Analogous Relationships
7. Religious Practices, Affiliations or Beliefs
8. Income (Other Than Needed to Determine Eligibility to Participate in Federal Programs)

If a survey is administered containing any of the above eight areas of information, the district will take measures to protect the identification and privacy of students participating. Parents may opt students out of participation in surveys containing one or more of the eight issues listed above.

E. Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA): FERPA affords parents and students over 18 certain rights with respect to education records. These include:

1. The Right to Inspect records Within 45 Days of Receiving a Written Request
2. The Right to Amend Student Records That a Parent or Eligible Student Feels are Inaccurate or Misleading
3. The Right to Consent to Disclosures of Personally Identifiable Information Contained in the Student’s Educational Records, Except to the Extent That FERPA Authorizes Disclosure Without Consent
4. The Right to File a Complaint to the US Department of Education or to the Appropriate School Official Concerning Alleged Failures by the School to Comply with FERPA Requirements

F. No Child Left Behind (ESEA, amended 2001): ESEA affords parents certain notification rights. These include:

1. Parents have the right to request to know the professional qualifications of their child’s instructor
2. Parents must be given timely notification if their child is being taught for four or more weeks by a teacher who is not properly certified
3. Parents must be given a variety of data concerning disaggregated test scores and teacher certification through the District’s Annual Report

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SPECIAL EDUCATION/ EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION (Public Notice)

All responsible public agencies are required to locate, evaluate and identify children with disabilities who are under the jurisdiction of the agency, regardless of the severity of the disability, including children attending private schools, children who live outside the district but are attending a private school within the district, highly mobile children, such as migrant and homeless children, children who are wards of the state, and children who are suspected of having a disability and in need of special education even though they are advancing from grade to grade. The City of St. Charles School District assures that it will provide a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to all eligible children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21 under its jurisdiction. Disabilities include autism, deaf/blindness, emotional disorders, hearing impairment and deafness, mental retardation/intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairments, specific learning disabilities, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment/blindness and young child with a developmental delay.

The City of St. Charles School District assures that it will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of early intervention services for infants and toddlers eligible for the Missouri First Steps program.

The City of St. Charles School District assures that personally identifiable information collected, used, or maintained by the agency for the purposes of identification, evaluation, placement or provision of FAPE of children with disabilities may be inspected and/or reviewed by their parents/guardians. Parents/guardians may request amendment to the educational record if the parent/guardian believes the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other rights of their child. Parents have the right to file complaints with the U.S. Department of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education concerning alleged failures by the district to meet the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

The City of St. Charles School District has developed a Local Compliance Plan for the implementation of State Regulations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This plan contains the agency's policies and procedures regarding storage, disclosure to third parties, retention and destruction of personally identifiable information and the agency's assurances that services are provided in compliance with the General Education Provision Act (GEPA). This plan may be reviewed at the District's Administration Center, 400 North Sixth Street St Charles Mo 63301 Monday thru Friday between the hours of 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

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Assessment (Public Notice)

In the spring, your child may have participated in the Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) Grade-Level and End-of-Course assessments. The Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) evaluates students' progress toward the Missouri Learning Standards. Grade-Level and End-of-Course assessments provide important information that contributes to decisions concerning individual students, groups of students and educational programs/curriculum. Assessments are given in the subject areas of Communication Arts (grades 3-8), Mathematics (grades 3-8), Science (grades 5 and 8), High School Biology, High School English II, High School Government, High School Algebra I and High School Algebra II.

The Individual Student Report (ISR), includes an Achievement Level, which will describe his or her performance as Below Basic, Basic, Proficient or Advanced. The report also includes a short description of the knowledge and skills that are typically demonstrated by students in each Achievement Level.

We are expecting the ISRs for the Grade-Level and End of Course assessments to be delivered to our district this summer or fall and these will be distributed to parents in a timely manner after receipt in our district. If you are in need of your child's Individual Student Report (ISR) prior to regular distribution, please contact your child's school. Please note that Government was a field test and no scores will be reported for that exam.

In accordance with state law (RSMo. 160.518) and federal law (Part A - Subpart 1 - Section 1111(b)(2)(I)(ii)), the St. Charles R-VI School District is mandated to assess all students grades 3 - 8 with the state Grade Level Assessment and high school students with the appropriate End of Course Exam. When opting-in to public education, you are also opting-in to the state and federal regulations that are associated with public education and therefore, students who are in attendance during our district testing window will be required to participate in the testing. If a student is absent during the building's designated testing days, the student will be tested when he/she returns to school.



Kindergarten Registration



ENROLLMENT NOW OPEN FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR.

Enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year is now open! For your convenience, our enrollment process is completely online. To start the initial part of the enrollment process via the Powerschool system, [please click here to create an enrollment account](#). It is important to complete the entire online registration application for your child. If parents/guardians do not complete the process, their child is not actively enrolled in the district. If you aren't able to complete your enrollment/registration in one sitting, you can save your progress in the system. Once the initial enrollment/registration form is complete, parents/guardians will be contacted this summer by the central enrollment office for further instructions to complete the enrollment process.

Kindergarten students must be five years old before August 1, 2023 to enroll for the 2023-24 school year which begins on August 22, 2023. There will be no optional testing for early entrance.

Early Childhood Program



PRESCHOOL

Our Early Childhood Center welcomes the youngest students of our district for the 2023-2024 school year.

The Early Childhood Center offers the following preschool programming:

5 half days

2, 3 and 5 full days

Extended care options for students who are 3 or 4 years old by August 1st

Currently, our preschool program is full and our application is closed. However, please contact our main office to schedule a DIAL-4 developmental screening for your child. After the screening, available preschool options may be offered. If you have questions about the Early Childhood Center or the preschool application process, please contact Ms. Sharon Elliott at 636-443-2905 or selliott@stcharlessd.org.

PARENTS AS TEACHERS

Parents as Teachers is a free program available to all City of St. Charles School District residents who are expecting a baby or have children from birth to age five.

When you join Parents as Teachers, you are eligible to receive the following services:

Home visits by certified parent educators

Group meetings and activities for both you and your child

Annual developmental screenings

Connection to other resources

Referral services

If you are interested in learning more about the Parents as Teachers program, contact Mrs. Sarah Sherwood at 636-443-2906 or ssherwood@stcharlessd.org.

District 2022-23 Curriculum Update

The Curriculum and Instruction Department is actively working to respond to the needs of our students, community, and staff. In doing so, as of July 1, we welcomed two new members to our team. Mrs. Caitlyn Cromien joins the team as one of our Curriculum and Instruction Coordinators. For six years prior, Mrs. Cromien served as instructional coach and 8th grade math teacher at Hardin Middle School. Prior to her time in SCSD, Mrs. Cromien taught middle and high school math in Aurora Public Schools in Colorado.



Leveraging her success in math instruction as well as her overall instructional leadership, Mrs. Cromien will oversee the development of curriculum for Mathematics, Science, PE/Health, ELL, Gifted and several elective areas.

Mrs. Sherri Bertrand is also joining the C&I team as our new Assessment, Data and Learning Coordinator. For the past six years, Mrs. Bertrand successfully served as the Director of Assessment & Data for the past six years for the Wentzville School District. Prior to her work in Wentzville, Mrs. Bertrand was the Director of Assessment & Data in the Riverview Gardens School District. Mrs. Bertrand brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this position. She will assist in the development of classroom assessments, oversee the preparations and administration of district, state and national assessments, such as MAP, EOC, ACT and other standardized tests, and assist in the analysis of local, state and national assessment data.

In addition to our new team members, some of our existing team members have shifted responsibilities in an effort to respond to the ever-changing needs of our District.

Curriculum Update (cont.)

Mrs. Jessica Arico previously served as our Secondary Instruction Specialist and is now a C&I Coordinator. Mrs. Arico will oversee the development of curriculum for ELA, Literacy, Social Studies, World Languages and several specialty electives. Dr. Tina Lauer previously served as our Instructional Technology Specialist, and is now a C&I Coordinator. Dr. Lauer will oversee the development of curriculum for early childhood, alternative learning and many of our elective courses including art, music (band, general, orchestra, vocal), PLTW/STEM, and several specialty electives. We are excited about the many changes happening in the C&I Department.

Throughout the summer months, our Curriculum and Instruction team is working with staff and educational leaders throughout the state in order to ensure our students have the greatest opportunity for success in the upcoming 2023-24 school year. Following are simply a few items we are actively preparing for:

i-Ready Adoption

This year, SCSD will be transitioning to a Mathematics and Reading benchmark assessment program called i-Ready in kindergarten through 6th grade. i-Ready is an online program that will help us determine your child's strengths and areas for growth, personalize their learning, and monitor their progress throughout the school year. To begin, we'll be administering the i-Ready Diagnostic within the first few weeks of school. It's critical that students try their best so we can get accurate data that will help inform our instruction and drive the lessons students receive. To help prepare your child for the i-Ready Diagnostic, encourage them to try their best on each question, try not to rush, and understand that they will not know the answer to every question. The more accurate information we can gain from this diagnostic, the better your child's academic team can provide the best levels of learning support.

Thank you for your continued support and for being a partner in your child's learning! To learn more about i-Ready, visit i-ReadyCentral.com/FamilyCenter.

[Family Welcome Video](#) - (3 min)

[iReady Family Resources](#)

Curriculum Update (cont.)

Professional Development

Our amazing staff has been busy growing professionally this summer by participating in a variety of learning opportunities. Offerings have been both in-person and virtual. Teachers are learning many best practices and engaging instructional strategies. Below are few of the summer learning opportunities for our teachers:

- Wilson Reading Systems
- Youth Mental Health First Aid
- Google Certified Educator
- Digital Tools for Research and Writing Process
- Managing Emotional Mayhem
- Class Dojo
- BrainPOP

During our annual summer admin retreat, administrators dove into leadership with professional development on John Maxwell's Qualities of a Leader. Administrators also participated in a full day workshop led by John Converse on Restorative Practices.



Curriculum Update (cont.)



Curriculum Writing

The curriculum development process in our District involves teachers, administrators, parents and Board members. District curriculum is essential to instruction in the District and is required by DESE in accordance with MSIP 6. Simply put, curriculum is what we want our students to know and be able to do. Curriculum should always meet the needs of our students and to align with the standards and competencies set forth by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Curriculum development is a continuous process in SCSD with each content area on a 7 year rewriting cycle. The year, the following areas will be begin the rewriting process:

- Early Childhood
- K-6 ELA
- PE and Health
- Music (Band, General, Orchestra, Vocal)
- World Languages
- Social Studies (part 2)

St. Charles County CAPS Program



The 2023-24 school year marks the 5th year of offering the St. Charles County CAPS program to all 14 public high schools in St. Charles County. CAPS stands for Center for Advanced Professional Studies, and it is a national program. High School juniors and seniors fast forward into their future and are fully immersed in a professional culture, solving real-world problems, using industry standard tools, and are mentored by actual employers, all while receiving high school credit.

CAPS is an example of how business, community, and public education can partner to produce personalized learning experiences that educate the workforce of tomorrow, especially in high-skill, high-demand jobs.

CAPS is currently accepting applications for the City of the St. Charles School District. The district pays for 21 spots in the three strands of CAPS: Healthcare, Technology Solutions (IT and Creative Media), and Global Business Entrepreneurship. To apply as a student or a business to partner with, please visit scccaps.org. For more information, please contact Erica Land, Director of the St. Charles County CAPS program at 636-443-4077 or at erica.land@scccaps.org.

Lewis & Clark Career Center



For more than 50 years, Lewis & Clark Career Center has provided junior and senior high school students with a rigorous, supportive, and meaningful career and technical education program designed to meet the needs of our community. Our 15 programs allow students to explore their career interests while earning industry certifications, high school (and possibly) college credit as well as skills that will last a lifetime. Classes are small and range from 12 to 18 students.

Our fifteen programs include three in the Automotive and Mechanical Technology area: Auto Service Technology, Auto Collision Repair, and Power Equipment Technology; four in the Construction Trades career cluster: Building Trades, Brick and Stone Masonry, Electrical Trades and HVAC; two in the Advanced Manufacturing cluster: Precision Manufacturing Technology and Welding; and two in Information Technology: Computer Maintenance & Networking and Computer Software Development. In addition, we offer a Law Enforcement Program, an Early Childhood Careers program, a Health Occupations/Health-Related Occupations program, and an Applied Retail and Business Skills program.

Our half-day schedules allow students to remain engaged in their home high school academics and activities while they make new friends with similar interests from all over St. Charles County. An integral part of the Lewis & Clark program is our SkillsUSA chapter. It is our primary Career and Technical Student Organization and prepares students to become productive leaders in their communities, helps them build confidence, and increases their ability to solve real-world problems. Lewis & Clark students have a history of success in regional, state, and national SkillsUSA competitions. In June 2023, nine Lewis & Clark students traveled to Atlanta, Ga. to represent Missouri in their respective SkillsUSA contest. For more information on Lewis & Clark Career Center, please visit lewisclarkcc.org.

Care to Learn-St. Charles

An estimated 27% of students in the St. Charles School District live below the poverty line and qualify for free/reduced lunch. Poverty can alienate kids, making school a lonely, scary place. They come to school distracted by hunger and limited by embarrassment - their education an afterthought to survival.



You can make a difference! Your support helps alleviate the suffering that occurs when basic needs go unmet.

The mission of Care to learn is to provide immediate funding to meet the emergent health, hunger and hygiene needs so every child can be successful in school.

A toothbrush. A coat. Deodorant. Breakfast. These are the things that stand between children and belonging—basic unmet needs that cause pain and embarrassment.

As of July 2019, the City of St. Charles School District has become one of 35 chapters for Care to Learn in the state of Missouri. 100% of every donation is spent on the needs of local students. Every dollar donated to St. Charles Care to Learn is spent on students in the St. Charles school district.

Since its founding in 2008, Care to Learn has provided assistance over 950,000 times with items that include backpacks filled with nutritional food, coats, jeans, shirts, shoes, hats and gloves, toothbrushes and toothpaste, shampoo, soap and deodorant, eyeglasses and hearing aids, transportation to school and medical appointments, and much, much more.

To find out more information about the St. Charles chapter of Care to Learn and to get connected, please visit:

Facebook: Care to Learn - St. Charles

Twitter: @Care2LearnSC



SCSD Family Festival

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FAMILY FESTIVAL

SERVING CITY OF
ST. CHARLES
STUDENTS

Join us for a fun evening with
bounce houses, music, crafts,
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TUESDAY, AUG 15 | 4:00-6:00 P

St. Charles High School

725 N. Kingshighway Street, St. Charles, MO

Vendors will be present • Non-perishable food and hygiene bags will be available while supplies last • Limited supply of school vaccinations will be offered through Compass Health

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This year, backpacks and school supplies will not be distributed at Family Festival, but will be available through an alternative event: **Supplies for \$Five**. Please contact welovestcharles@gmail.com for more info.