

James M. Marlowe Elementary School

Full STEAM Ahead in 2022

James M. Marlowe Elementary School is being transformed into a STEAM magnet school in the 2022-2023 school year. This is an opportunity for parents to enroll their students in a magnet school where students will use science, technology, engineering, arts, and math to solve real-world problems.



What does this mean for students who have the opportunity to enroll in this new magnet school, and how can parents enroll their students? Here are some answers.

What is a STEAM magnet school?

A STEAM magnet school focuses on science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics to prepare students for college, career, and life. Rather than teaching these subjects in isolation, the magnet theme is integrated into the core curriculum. Through inquiry, critical thinking, and process-based learning instruction, students will develop real-world skills in the fields of robotics, aviation, drones, virtual reality, and more.

Why is a rezoning necessary?

Because dedicated magnet schools do not have traditional attendance zones and attract students from around the district, the school boundaries will have to be redrawn. Nearby attendance zones will be expanded to include the current James M. Marlowe Elementary School attendance zone.

Will parents have to apply to have their student remain at the school?

Students currently attending James M. Marlowe Elementary will be prioritized to remain through 5th grade. Parents who wish for their child to remain at James M. Marlowe Elementary can make their wishes known by completing the intent to return form available in myStudent. Information on how to complete this form will be shared at the parent information night on October 5th and the form will remain open until January 5th.

When will the changes take place?

Full implementation will occur at the start of the 2022-2023 school year. The remainder of this school year will be devoted to preparing for the transition. It will involve identifying staff, providing the professional development needed to make the STEAM magnet school a success, and working through the rezoning process.

What about transportation?

For students remaining at James M. Marlowe Elementary, your transportation will not change. For those students who choose into Marlowe for the first time and who live outside of the non-transport zone, bus hubs may be available depending upon enrollment.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

October 5 – Parent information night

November 16 – Public hearing on boundary proposal

December 14 – Final School Board action on boundary proposal

August 2022 – James M. Marlowe opens the school year as a STEAM magnet school



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