AURORA PUBLIC SCHOOLS



I in Colorado for students earning postsecondary workforce credentials

Aurora Public Schools is committed to preparing students for college and career success. APS students have the opportunity to learn side-by-side with students from all over the world. Because students interact with others from different backgrounds and cultures, they learn to think globally and from different perspectives.

FACTS ABOUT APS

- More than 40,000 students
- Sixth largest school district in Colorado
- Students come from more than 130 countries and speak more than 130 languages

NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL OPTIONS

Expert and caring staff members at every school are committed to providing motivating, real-life learning for students in safe and quality schools.

- 4 Child Development Centers
- 25 Elementary Schools
- 6 P/K-8 Schools
- 1 Gifted and Talented School
- 6 Middle Schools
- 1 Grades 6-12 Academy
- 5 Comprehensive High Schools
- 4 Pilot Schools
- 6 APS Charter Schools
- 1 Vocational / Technical College
- 1 Online High School
- 1 Home School Support Program

APS SCHOOLS OFFER:

- Full-day kindergarten
- College credit opportunities at two- and four-year institutions
- Gifted, talented and advanced learning opportunities
- Exceptional student services
- Academic and career pathways
- Expeditionary learning
- International Baccalaureate Programmes



SUCCESS STARTS HERE!

UNIQUE LEARNING OPTIONS

APS offers unique learning options to accelerate student learning and eliminate achievement gaps.

- APS Online Free online high school
- Expeditionary Learning Schools Realworld learning schools that bring experts into classrooms and take students into the field
- International Baccalaureate Programmes
 Challenging, global education experience for
 K-12 students
- <u>Pilot Schools</u> Autonomous schools that offer unique learning opportunities for students

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS

APS offers students a variety of opportunities to succeed in high school.

- Futures Academy High school dropouts can re-engage in their education, earn their GED and transition smoothly into postsecondary opportunities
- GED Preparation and Testing Center Students can earn their high school equivalency diploma
- Rebound Ombudsman Program High school and community college learning for students returning to the classroom

EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT SERVICES

APS provides the highest quality education for students with disabilities.

CHARTER SCHOOLS

APS offers autonomous, independent schools with unique options.

EARLY LEARNING OPTIONS

Most APS schools offer half-day preschool and free full-day kindergarten.

COLLEGE CREDIT OPTIONS

APS offers students the opportunity to take college courses while enrolled in high school.

- PACE Setter Program Partnership with the Community College of Aurora that provides all high school students the opportunity to enroll in free college courses
- Accelerating Students through Concurrent Enrollment (ASCENT) – Option for graduates to remain in high school for a fifth year to take full-time college courses
- Advanced Placement Courses

 Instruction that prepares students for an exam to earn college credit while still in high school
- Pickens Technical College Career and technical education training center for high school students and adults that offers more than 50 programs

