#### CHRISTINA SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL CHOICE INFORMATION NIGHT October 14, 2021

### CHRISTINA SCHOOL DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

with Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Deirdra Joyner

# WINNING ACADEMICS

Early Education Centers	2
Elementary Schools	14
Elementary/Middle Schools	2
Middle Schools	3
High Schools	3
Other Schools and Programs	11
Advanced Placement Courses	25
Dual Enrollment Courses	16
Graduation Pathways	27



#### DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

BEST HIGH SCHOOLS US NEWS NATIONAL 2021

- Two National High Performing Blue Ribbon Schools
- Three National PTA Schools of Excellence
- ✓ Top-Performing Middle School Honors Academy Continues to Grow
- Two Compassionate Champion Awards presented by Family Services Cabinet
- Cutting-Edge High Schools with Focused Pathways and Enhanced Programs

- High Schools Ranked 2021 Best High School by US News & World Report
- ✓ National ESEA Distinguished School
- Three Delaware PBS Recognition Schools
- ✓ 50% of Christina's Teachers have Master's Degrees
- JROTC Awarded Outstanding Organization





#### ADVANCED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS (AAP)

Expanded Gifted & Talented Programs (Grades K-5)

Advanced Middle School Curriculum Based on the Internationally–Recognized Cambridge Program (Grades 6-8)

Increased Opportunities for Students to Take Challenging Coursework and Earn College Credits (Grades 9-12)

#### **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

Wilson Elementary School 2020 National Blue Ribbon School 2019 DDOE Schools of Continued Excellence

**Christiana High School & Middle School Honors Academy** 2019 National ESEA Distinguished and Recognition School

Maclary Elementary School 2019 DDOE Recognition School

McVey Elementary School 2021 National ESEA Distinguished and Recognition School 2019 DDOE Recognition School West Park Place Elementary School 2019 National Blue Ribbon School 2019 DDOE Schools of Continued Excellence

Gallaher Elementary School 2019 PBS Project Recognition, Phase 4, Tier 2

Keene Elementary School 2021 PBS Project Recognition, Phase 4 2019 PBS Project Recognition, Phase 4, Tier 2

Shue-Medill Middle School 2019 PBS Project Recognition, Phase 4, Tier 2



### SPECIAL PROGRAMMING

with Director of Special Services, Rebecca Ryan and Director of Student Services, Dr. Gina Moody

#### Exceptional Specia Services & Programs

**Brennen School/DAP** 

Delaware School for the Deaf Networks School for Employability Skills REACH





#### Christina School District Virtual Academy

Fully online K-12 program, students attend all classes virtually.

Students taught by credentialed and licensed teachers

Same academic standards and district policies

# ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

with School Leaders Erin Cassel and Mariellen Taraboletti



#### EARLY EDUCATION

Christina Early Education Center

Stubbs Early Education Center



#### LEADERS IN LITERACY

#### STATE-OF-THE-ART MATH CURRICULUM

#### SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Award-winning programs for positive behavior support

Social-emotional learning / anti-bullying programs (e.g., Second Steps, PATHS, Buddy System, No Place for Hate)

School Counselors and Social Workers available

Family Crisis Therapists



#### BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Lego League **Science Olympiad** Geography Bee **Service Projects** Girls on the Run **Band and Chorus Afterschool Clubs** and much more







ART, MUSIC & PHYSICAL EDUCATION



#### MULTILINGUAL LEARNERS

MLL Teachers in Every School

Program Models (English Language Development Classes, Push-In, Pull-Out)

Services Matched to Student's Needs

#### MONTESSORI PROGRAM at Bancroft

Self directed activities Creative choices in learning Hands-on learning and collaborative play

Students develop literacy skills and academic achievement in both English and target world languages.

#### CHINESE IMMERSION at Downes

# MIDDLE SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

with Director of Teaching & Learning, Paul Dunford



#### SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING



# VOCATIONAL CAREER

#### • TECHNICAL



#### **ART · CHORUS · BAND · STRINGS**



### ATHLETICS



#### **CHINESE IMMERSION at Shue-Medill**



#### MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS ACADEMY at Christiana High School Campus

# MORE OFFERINGS

AVID

Cambridge Program

**BPA, FFA & FFCLA** 

KBG

Math Counts

Math League

Mentoring

Science Olympiad

TSA

and much more



# HIGHLIGHTS

with School Leaders Dr. Aaron Selekman and Dr. Eunique Lawrence

#### FUTURE-READY PATHWAYS

Academy of Business Information Management **Agricultural Power & Engineering Air Force Junior ROTC** Allied Health **Animal Science Biomedical Sciences** Biotechnology **Computer Science Culinary Arts Digital Communications** Engineering

#### Finance **Food Sciences** Jobs for Delaware Graduates K-12 Teacher Academy **NAF Academy of Finance** Natural Resources & Environmental Science Navy ROTC **Plant & Horticultural Sciences** Public & Community Health Visual & Performing Arts and more





#### ADVANCED ACADEMIES

High School Honors Academy at Christiana High School Campus

Early College Leadership Academy at Glasgow High

Cambridge College Academy at Newark High

#### UNIQUE OFFERINGS

Honors Courses and Advanced Placement Courses

Dual Enrollment Courses through the University of Delaware and Wilmington University

2021 Graduates earned more than \$3.5M in Scholarships



# ENGAGING ATHLETICS







#### ADDITIONAL SUPPORTS

Personalized curriculum Digital learning Support after graduation Mental health services Transition staff Life skills

#### **COLLEGE & CAREER**

with Sr. Director of Teaching and Learning, Dean Ivory

#### **COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS**



# **CHOICE FACTS**

with School Choice Specialist, Janet McMahon



#### CHOICE OPENS MONDAY NOV. 1

- January 12, 2022 Deadline to Submit Choice Applications for Grades 1-12
- Kindergarten Choice is Open Until the First Day of School for the 2022-2023 School Year
- Students Must be Registered in their School of Residence (if not already attending a traditional public school district) Prior to Applying for Choice
- You May Apply to More Than One School List Choice Schools in Priority Order
- Incoming Kindergarten Students Must be Five (5) Years of Age On/Before August 31, 2022



- Transportation is the Parent's Responsibility Existing bus stop locations for Choice students based on available seating. Contact the Transportation Department on 302-454-2281 to obtain a nearby bus stop location
- Students Applying to the Middle School Honors Academy (grades 6-8) at Christiana High School, must submit a Delaware Standard Application for Educational Options (Choice) and a Middle School Honors Academy Entrance Application.
- Students Applying to the Chinese Immersion Program (KN Only) at Downes Elementary School must complete a Delaware Standard Application for Educational Options (Choice) and Contact Downes Elementary School to Complete a Chinese Immersion Application As Well.

- Students Applying to the Chinese Immersion Program (grades 6 to 8) at Shue Middle School must complete a Delaware Standard Application for Educational Options (Choice) if they reside outside the feeder pattern of Shue Middle School. Also, contact Shue Middle School to Complete a Chinese Immersion Application. Pre-requisite for this Program is Prior Chinese Immersion Instruction or Fluency in Mandarin
- Students who wish to continue with their Chinese proficiency (grade 9) at Newark High School must complete a Delaware Standard Application for Educational Options (Choice) if they reside outside the feeder pattern of Newark High School.
- School District will Notify Parents of Invitation Status by the End of February 2022
- Once a Parent has Accepted the Choice Invitation, and if they reside outside the Christina School District, or their child currently attends a school outside the District, they must register their child in the choice school.

- Students Attending a Choice, Charter or Vocational School Must Remain in Attendance at that School for One Full School Year. Charter students are bound by a First Year Charter Agreement.
- This is the Only Time of Year You Can Apply for School Choice Without Reason.

Apply Online: www.christinak12.org/schoolchoice Questions: Contact Education Options 302.552.2665





#### School Choice Information Night www.christinak12.org/schoolchoice