

Washington Elementary STEM Magnet Fact Sheet

Address: 1520 N. Raymond Ave., Pasadena, CA 91103

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Website: washington.pusd.us

School hours: 7:50 am - 2:15 pm
Monday Early Dismissal 12:35 pm

Grade levels: Pre-K; TK to 5

Regular school tours:
Contact the school to schedule a visit

Parent Ambassador: Maria Chavez de Gonzalez (bilingual Sp.-Eng.)

Principal

Karrone Meeks-Clark - Ms. Meeks-Clark was assigned to Washington as Principal in 2001. She was honored as PUSD’s Principal of the Year in 2014.

Teachers

All of Washington’s classroom teachers are certificated; three are National Board Certified. Full-time Instructional Coach, STEM Coach, STEM specialist, STEM Technology Resource Teacher and guest scientists & engineers support teaching and learning. There is a part-time Music Teacher.

Students (Demographic data from 2021-22) Total Enrollment (2021-22): 427


Hispanic (Any race)	Non-Hispanic					2 or more ethnicities	Other / No ethnicity given
	Asian	African-American	Filipino	White			
84.3%	0 %	9.6%	2.3%	1.9%	1.6%	0.2 %	
English Language Learners (ELLs): 34% As English Learners progress they are first designated Initial Fluent English Proficient (9.8%) and eventually Reclassified as Fluent English-Proficient (7.3%)					Socioeconomically Disadvantaged: 86.4%		



Open Enrollment (Data from 2020 lotteries not predictive of next year’s outcomes)


# of Kinder applicants who listed school as 1 st choice	13
% of Kinder applicants who listed school as 1 st choice and got in	100%

PUSD will post the range of open enrollment seats projected to be available for the 2023-24 school year by January 2023. Families are encouraged to rank all schools they would prefer to their assigned school of residence in order of preference, regardless of OE seat projections, and to opt in to the 2nd lottery if they do not get their preferred school in the first lottery.

Enrichment “Extras” *See also PEN Fact Sheet guide for “Enrichment Basics”*

 Science, Technology, Engineering and Math integrated across the curriculum. Technology specialist instructs all classes in keyboarding, animation, coding and 3D printing design; students visit STEM lab weekly for hands-on exploration and engineering projects connected to classroom instruction.

 Side Street Projects (artists-in-residence)  Full-time credentialed librarian

 School garden supports hands-on science learning

What has changed recently that may have an impact on academic performance? *Washington was part of a Federal Magnet Grant awarded in fall 2013, and has benefited from installation of new technology, professional development (including a full-time STEM Coach and training in Next Generation Science pedagogy), and hands-on partnerships with Caltech, NASA, UCLA, and Parsons, among others. Washington is one of six PUSD schools included in a Community Schools initiative with funding to create school-based hubs of service and engagement that respond holistically to the academic, social and health needs of children, youth and families.*

School Environment

Mission: *Washington Elementary STEM Magnet provides a rigorous science, technology, engineering, and mathematics-based curriculum that addresses the needs of each student [helping them] become responsible, scientifically and technologically-literate global citizens through the development of critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creative skills. Vision: ...we will provide a safe, nurturing, and collaborative learning environment that encourages respect, trust, and academic excellence.*

Positive Recognition: Student of the month; special STEM recognition & year-end awards. Response to Intervention program supports positive behavior choices. **Student Leadership:** Student Council

Community-Building: Monthly Student/Parent STEM-themed Nights; After-school STEM Enrichment Clubs (Math/Engineering/Technology); Friday Fun Days

As part of the district’s Community Schools consortium, Washington will be implementing tiered academic supports, parent engagement and social-emotional support services designed to respond to the holistic needs of children, youth and families.

After-School Programs

After-school Programs: Pasadena LEARNs (includes STEM Enrichment Clubs)

Parent Involvement

PTA Contact: Washington does not currently have an active PTA (as of 2022-23).

Other Parent Involvement Opportunities: School Site Council, English Learners Advisory Council, Magnet Advisory Committee, African-American Parent Council, Project2Inspire (parent leadership development); volunteer program; STEM-themed Family Activity Nights