

SCHOOL CHOICE IN GEORGIA



TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

- ✓ Free public schools based on your physical address or zone
- ✓ Restricted open enrollment - can transfer if seats are available and the school has been open for over four years
- ✓ Schools cannot charge tuition for within-district transfers



PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

- ✓ Free public schools
- ✓ Must take any student who applies if there is a seat available - including students with disabilities
- ✓ Schools have fixed application deadlines
- ✓ If applications exceed available seats, a lottery is held



PUBLIC MAGNET SCHOOL

- ✓ Free public schools
- ✓ May have entrance exams or performance auditions
- ✓ Schools have fixed application deadlines



PRIVATE SCHOOL

- ✓ Scholarships funded by donors who receive tax credits are available
- ✓ State-funded accounts that can pay for tuition and other expenses are available if you are eligible
- ✓ State-funded tuition vouchers are available for students with disabilities



ONLINE LEARNING

- ✓ Free, full-time online schools available
- ✓ Some public school districts have blended or completely online options



HOMESCHOOL & MICROSCHOOL

- ✓ Independent, parent-driven education
- ✓ Must provide notice of intent to homeschool annually
- ✓ Specific subjects and assessments are required
- ✓ Homeschooled students are eligible to participate in sports or classes free of charge
- ✓ Microschools - students gathered in small groups to learn are available

