

SCHOOL CHOICE IN MICHIGAN



TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

- ✓ Free public schools based on your physical address or zone
- ✓ Restricted open enrollment - may be able to choose another public school based on your zoned school's performance
- ✓ May charge tuition for open enrollment 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

- ✗ No state funding is available for private school tuition
- ✓ Other scholarship options may be available from schools or nonprofits



ONLINE LEARNING

- ✓ Free, full-time online learning programs are available
- ✓ Some public school districts have their own online programs



HOMESCHOOL & MICROSCHOOL

- ✓ Independent, parent-driven education
- ✓ Notice of intent to homeschool is required if homeschooling as a nonpublic school
- ✓ Specific subjects are required
- ✓ No standardized assessment requirements
- ✓ Homeschool students may be eligible to participate in sports at local public schools
- ✓ Microschools - students gathered in small groups to learn are available

