

SCHOOL CHOICE IN MISSOURI



TRADITIONAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

- ✓ Free public schools based on your physical address or zone
- ✓ Restricted open enrollment - may be able to choose another public school in certain circumstances
- ✓ 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

- ✓ Accounts that can pay for tuition and other expenses are available if eligible
- ✓ Other scholarship options may be available from schools or nonprofits



ONLINE LEARNING

- ✓ Free, full-time online programs are available if approved by your resident school district
- ✓ Some public school districts have their own online programs



HOMESCHOOL & MICROSCHOOL

- ✓ Independent, parent-driven education
- ✓ Funding may be available through the MOScholars Program
- ✓ No notice of intent to homeschool is required
- ✓ Specific subjects are required
- ✓ No standardized assessments are required
- ✓ A portion of the required homeschool hours must take place at a "regular" homeschool location
- ✓ Homeschooled students may be eligible to participate in sports or activities at their local public school
- ✓ Microschools - students gathered in small groups to learn are available

