

# Buist Academy for Advanced Studies

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## Focus/Description:

<https://buist.ccsdschools.com>

Buist Academy for Advanced Studies is an academic magnet school established in 1985. The school provides a rigorous curriculum emphasizing language arts, mathematics, social studies, science, and foreign languages. All students study French or Spanish. In 2007, Buist became an authorized International Baccalaureate World School for the Primary Years Programme (PYP). In September 2010, Buist was fully authorized as a Middle Years Programme (MYP) as part of the International Baccalaureate School.

## Application Category: Countywide with admissions criteria

### For 2020-21 only, Buist will be adding one class per grade in grades 3-6.

Students apply via the Smart Choice application program. Buist has academic admissions criteria of 75th percentile or higher. The random lottery selection of students to determine eligibility is influenced by priorities listed under Application Priorities.

Transportation to and from centralized locations is provided to all students who live in Charleston County and attend Countywide Magnets.

### Grades Offered in 2020-21: 1-8 *\*No additional students will be added in grades 1 and 2.*

## Buist Application Priorities (in order):

### Expansion Classes Grades 3-6:

For 2020-21 only, we will be expanding classes for grades 3-6. For expansion classes, priority will be given for students scoring at the 75th percentile or higher on winter MAP Reading and Math who are zoned for an elementary school in Charleston County with a poverty index equal to or greater than 80 percent.

### Seat Openings (due to student withdrawals):

A random lottery selection for students meeting entrance criteria will be applied in the following priority order: sibling of currently attending Buist student, resident of District 20, and countywide applicants.

Students selected through lottery are offered seats if they meet entrance criteria, and a waiting list in each of the entrance categories is established.

Note: K-2 students attending Buist during the 2019-2020 school year will continue to matriculate through the current Buist Academy program. CCSD sibling priority and twin policy will be applied. Additionally, employee priority will apply if seats are available.

Find out more by visiting: <https://www.ccsdschools.com/families/students/choice>

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