

Kokomo Schools

2015-2016 Education Guide

- Program information
 - School Choice application
 - Preschool, elementary, middle, and high school options
 - School Tour dates
- ... and much more!*

Save the date!

Kokomo All School Education Fair

Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2015

4-7:00 p.m. at Memorial Gym

5-7 pm: School Information & Enrollment Fair

[Grades 1-12 Applications! / Kindergarten / Preschool]

4-5 pm: Early Childhood Education ROUNDUP

[Preschool / Head Start / Kindergarten]



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Early Childhood Education Roundup (Pages 3-6) [Preschool / Head Start / Kindergarten]

Neighborhood Schools [K-8] (Pages 7-11)

Neighborhood Schools have distinct boundaries and all students living within those boundaries are guaranteed admission, which is determined by his/her residence.

★ Traditional School (Page 7)

Elwood Haynes Elementary

Traditional School provides quality instruction in core subjects including reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies as the students learn through inquiry. Elementary students living within Elwood Haynes district are automatically enrolled.

★ 1-to-1 Technology Schools (Pages 8-9)

Pettit Park Elementary, Bon Air Elementary, and Bon Air Middle School

1-to-1 Technology Schools provide each student with a personal computing device (e.g. tablet or laptop) for use during the school day. Elementary and middle school students living within the Pettit Park and Bon Air districts are automatically enrolled unless they apply to attend a different school.

★ STEM Schools (Pages 10-11)

Boulevard Elementary and Maple Crest Middle School

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Schools utilize standards-based curriculum focused on the four STEM components. This type of learning uses a hands-on approach to learning. Elementary students living within the Boulevard district and middle school students living within the Maple Crest district are automatically enrolled unless they apply to attend a different school. Any middle school student is eligible for the Maple Crest STEM Middle School.

MAGNET Schools [K-12] (Pages 12-16)

Magnet schools are not assigned based on neighborhood residential boundaries. Upon acceptance, qualified students from the Kokomo area can attend a magnet school.

★ Integrated Arts Schools (Pages 12 & 13)

Wallace Elementary and Central Middle International School

The Integrated Arts Schools allow students to learn a core curriculum in an environment where the arts are integrated into all aspects of learning. Students show understanding through an art form, while also learning piano keyboarding and violin.

★ International Schools (Pages 13-15)

Lafayette Park, Sycamore, Central Middle School, and KHS

The International Schools prepare students for the changing world in which they live. Students at the International schools experience real-world projects with a global focus. International students also have daily instruction in a foreign language.

★ KEY (Gifted and Talented) (Page 15)

Sycamore International and Central International

The KEY (Kokomo Enrichment for Youth) Schools provide comprehensive instruction for eligible gifted and talented students. Teachers create an environment that recognizes the abilities of students by providing a learning experience that is above grade level in mathematics, language arts, science, and history.



Kokomo Schools Preschool Opportunities

Realizing the importance of early childhood education, Kokomo Schools provides our children with the opportunity to become immersed in a world of inquiry, exploration, and discovery. Research supports early childhood education and emphasizes the importance of introducing young children to a literacy rich environment in language arts and math. The development of social skills and collaborative problem solving help young children learn how to work together in the classroom environment.

Our preschool program serves three and four year old students in preparation for full day kindergarten. Children entering the program must be 3 by August 1, 2015.

Families who are interested in the preschool program should check first with Head Start (Below) at Darrough Chapel to see if they qualify for full service programming. Full service through Head Start includes transportation for full and half day programs.

Kokomo Schools also offers school-based preschool opportunities (Page 4) at four sites - Boulevard, Elwood Haynes, Lafayette Park, and Pettit Park - in the corporation for those children who are not eligible for Head Start.



Head Start Site

***Darrough Chapel Early Learning Center
900 S. Goyer Rd., Kokomo, IN 46901***



Darrough Chapel provides full and half day programs for Head Start eligible 3 and 4 year old children. All preschool teachers are certified and provide kindergarten readiness preparation based on a developmentally appropriate curriculum. Educational objectives focus on age appropriate academic and physical skill development as well as health, nutrition, social/emotional support, and medical needs. Since parents are recognized as the “first teachers”, parent involvement is a core goal of the Head Start Program. Head Start is NAEYC accredited, and a Indiana State licensed Early Childhood Center. The program includes transportation and school day meals.

Contact information for Head Start: Mrs. Julie Worland, Director
Email: jworland@Kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone: (765) 454-7082

***K-8 Choice Application (Page 19)
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Alternative Education (Page 17)***

Kokomo Schools Preschool Options

School-Based Sites – Four Locations

Boulevard – 1901 W. Boulevard
Elwood Haynes – 910 S. Cooper St.
Lafayette Park – 919 N. Korby St.
Pettit Park – 901 W. Havens

Additional school-based preschool opportunities are available for those children who are not eligible for Head Start. All children must be 3 by August 1, 2015. This program is supported through Title I funding. These federal funds can be used for children living in the Kokomo Schools’ attendance area. Children living outside the Kokomo School attendance area are welcome to attend the program when space is available through a monthly tuition fee. Transportation is the responsibility of each family. Children are offered breakfast and lunch through the Federal Lunch Program.



Our school-based preschool programs are staffed by certified teachers. A researched based early childhood curriculum emphasizes the development of the whole child. Children participate in daily activities through literacy, math, social development, music, movement, and art. All teachers are trained in Kindermusik and all classes participate.

Contact information for Kokomo’s school-based Preschools:
Jill Brewer, Secretary Elementary Programs; Email: jbrewer@Kokomo.k12.in.us
Phone: (765) 455-8000

Half Day & Full Day Preschool Options

Half Day programs are available at all four school-based sites. Each site offers AM and PM classes

Full Day programs are available at two sites: Elwood Haynes and Lafayette Park. The first half of the day is funded through Title I. The second half of the day is paid through parent tuition. Before and after care is available for an additional fee.

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Jill Brewer, Secretary Elementary Programs; Email: jbrewer@Kokomo.k12.in.us

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Early Childhood ROUNDUP

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Kindergarten Roundup

Kokomo School Corporation Full Day Kindergarten

Your child soon begins one of the most important adventures in his/her life as kindergarten becomes a reality. This next step in a sequence of school experiences will extend over many years. The kindergarten year sets the stage for future learning...the launching pad for a rewarding school experience in the years that lie ahead!

All seven KSC elementary schools offer full day kindergarten. Students are eligible if they are 5-years old on or before August 1, 2015. Full day kindergarten students receive the same transportation and meal benefits as all elementary students.

Teachers and administrators will be available at the all school education fair to meet your child and answer any questions you might have about kindergarten at their elementary building. Kindergarten screening will be offered during the month of March and screening appointments can be reserved during the Education Fair. If you are unable to attend the education fair, please fill out a school choice application on Page 19 and register for screening at www.kokomoschools.com, or through the link provided through the QR code on Page 18. Students attending Kokomo Schools' Head Start or a Site-Based Preschool will be tested during the school day.



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Traditional School

Traditional Schools provide high quality instruction in core subject areas, including reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies. Students experience classes, such as art, music, technology, and physical education opportunities weekly.

Neighborhood Traditional School

Elwood Haynes Elementary

Neighborhood Schools have distinct boundaries and all students living within those boundaries are guaranteed admittance. Elementary students living within the Elwood Haynes district are automatically enrolled unless they apply to attend a different school. Other students may apply to attend this neighborhood Traditional School. Transportation is available for most elementary students residing within the traditional school's (Elwood Haynes) established boundary. A Community Preschool also is available at Elwood Haynes Elementary. The goal of the Community Preschool is to make sure that each child who participates is prepared to succeed in kindergarten. Pre-school age children are eligible for this program, which is free to qualified students. Transportation is not provided for preschool students.



Elwood Haynes Elementary Traditional School (Preschool)

Elwood Haynes Elementary School is a neighborhood traditional elementary school with a unique feature of having community preschool classes in the building. School officials strive to provide a safe and structured environment that focuses on the foundational skills in reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies. High quality instruction, along with targeted interventions, provide opportunities for students to meet academic goals and reach high academic excellence. As an enhancement to the curriculum, each class is responsible for an outdoor raised garden bed, where items are planted and harvested each school year. Elwood Haynes houses before-and-after school child care for preschool children only.

School Tour Week: No reservations are necessary. We welcome you to come and see the students and teachers in action on the following dates: 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 25 and Thursday, Feb. 26; and 10 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 27.

Parent Night Meeting: Thursday, March 12, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Contact Information: Mrs. Linda Campbell, Principal, lcampbell@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 454-7050; Mailing address: 910 S. Cooper St., Kokomo, IN 46901; School hours: 8:55 a.m. to 3:35 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

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1-to-1 Technology Schools

The 1-to-1 Technology Schools provide each student with a personal computing device (e.g. tablet or laptop) for use during the school day. This technology further engages students while enhancing the curriculum: thereby, maximizing student learning. Elementary students living within the Pettit Park and Bon Air districts are automatically enrolled unless they apply to attend a different school. Any middle school student is eligible to attend Bon Air Middle School. A partnership with the Kokomo Area Career Center allows qualified Bon Air Career School 8th graders to earn high school credits.

Neighborhood 1-to-1 Technology Schools

Pettit Park Elementary (Preschool),

Bon Air Elementary, and Bon Air Middle School (8th grade Career School)

Neighborhood Schools have distinct boundaries and all students living within those boundaries are guaranteed admittance. Student admission is determined by the location of his/her residence. Other students may apply to attend these neighborhood schools. A Community Preschool also is available at Pettit Park Elementary. While Bon Air Middle School will serve students from Bon Air and Pettit Park elementary schools, it is open to all students. Transportation is available for most elementary students residing within the technology school's established boundary. Transportation is provided for middle school students residing anywhere in the Kokomo School Corporation district.



Bon Air 1-to-1 Technology Middle School

In an effort to continue enhancing educational options for students, Kokomo Schools officials re-opened Bon Air Middle School as a 1-to-1 Technology Middle School for the 2013-2014 school year. Bon Air Middle School allows students attending neighborhood 1-to-1 technology elementary schools at Bon Air and Pettit Park to have a seamless transition. While Bon Air Middle School serves students from Bon Air and Pettit Park elementary schools, it is open to all students. Bon Air 8th graders are eligible for a Career School program (See Page 11) in partnership with the Kokomo Area Career Center.

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Parent Night Meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Contact Information: Mrs. Angela Blessing, Principal, ablessing@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 454-7025; Mailing address: 2796 Apperson Way North, Kokomo, IN 46901; School hours: 8:25 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

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Bon Air 1-to-1 Technology Elementary School

Bon Air Elementary is a Neighborhood 1-to-1 Technology School where students and teachers are engaged in learning activities utilizing technology devices and the Common Core Standards. Tablets (K-2) and laptops (3-5) are issued to each student after earning a “digital driver’s license.” High expectations are established and students are supported in their learning by matching learning tasks with skill levels. Staff members establish a supportive, caring environment with positive and consistent academic expectations.

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Parent Night Meeting: Thursday, March 5, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Contact Information: Mrs. Paula Concus, Principal, pconcus@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 454-7030; Mailing address: 2800 Apperson Way North, Kokomo, IN 46901; School hours: 8:55 a.m. to 3:35 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com



Pettit Park 1-to-1 Technology Elementary School (Preschool)

At Pettit Park Elementary, a Neighborhood 1-to-1 Technology School, our staff is committed to growing our students into lifelong learners. Our students are instructed through daily reading, writing, and math initiatives, and have their own personal tablets (K-2) or laptops (3-5) for embedded technology use throughout the school day. The goal of the Community Preschool at Pettit Park is to make sure each child who participates is prepared to succeed in kindergarten.

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Parent Night Meeting: Thursday, March 5, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Contact Information: Dr. Tencia Helmberger, Principal, thelmberger@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 454-7075; Mailing address: 901 W. Havens, Kokomo, IN 46902; School hours: 8:55 a.m. to 3:35 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com.

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STEM Schools

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Schools will utilize a standard-based curriculum focused on the four STEM components. This type of learning uses a hands-on investigative approach to learning. The STEM Schools feature 1-to-1 technology so each student will have a personal computing device for use during the school day. Elementary students living within the Boulevard district are automatically enrolled unless they apply to attend a different school. Any middle school student is eligible for Maple Crest STEM Middle School. A partnership with the Kokomo Area Career Center allows qualified Career School 8th graders from Bon Air and Maple Crest to earn high school credits.

Neighborhood STEM Schools

*Boulevard Elementary
and Maple Crest Middle School (8th-grade Career School)*

Neighborhood Schools have distinct boundaries and all students living within those boundaries are guaranteed admittance. Student admission is determined by the location of his/her residence. Other students may apply to attend these neighborhood schools. While Maple Crest STEM Middle School will serve students from Boulevard and Elwood Haynes elementary schools, it is open to all students. Students must qualify for the 8th-grade Career School. Transportation is available for most elementary students residing within the STEM school's established boundary. Transportation is provided for middle school students residing anywhere in the Kokomo Schools district.



Boulevard STEM Elementary School

Boulevard STEM Elementary students experience science and mathematics as a practical way of understanding the world around them. Our school immerses students in a hands-on curriculum where they are inspired to investigate and ask questions while seamlessly integrating technology in an interdisciplinary approach to learning. Utilizing the engineering process, students collaborate with peers on projects that allow them to creatively design solutions to real-world problems.

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Parent Night Meeting: Wednesday, March 4, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Contact Information: Mr. David Buckalew, Principal, dbuckalew@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 455-8070; Mailing address: 1901 W. Boulevard, Kokomo, IN 46902; School hours: 8:55 a.m. to 3:35 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

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Maple Crest STEM Middle School

Maple Crest STEM Middle School offers students a quality education in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) environment. According to Principal Katie Reckard, the STEM program allows students to be engrossed in problem-based learning that challenges and stretches their thinking. The Maple Crest staff is developing a STEM-rich curriculum that connects the school with careers, the community, and global concerns. In addition, the new STEM schools will feature 1-to-1 technology for students so each student will have a laptop for their use during the school day. Students will be immersed in an environment that is rich in critical thinking.

School Tour Week: No reservations are necessary. We welcome you to come and see the students and teachers in action on the following dates: 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Wednesday, February 25, and Thursday, February 26; 10 a.m. on Friday, February 27.

Parent Night Meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Contact Information: Dr. Kathryn Reckard, Principal, kreckard@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 455-8085; Mailing address: 2727 S. Washington Street, Kokomo, IN 46902; School hours: 8:10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com



Maple Crest Career School Bon Air Career School (For qualified 8th graders)

Maple Crest STEM Middle School and Bon Air Technology Middle School also offer students and parents a choice of a Career School for qualified 8th graders. The Career School gives students opportunities to investigate a career area for high school credit. Students in the Career School attend classes both at Maple Crest/Bon Air and at the Kokomo Area Career Center. While at Maple Crest STEM Middle School, students will be immersed in a STEM-rich curriculum. While at Bon Air Technology Middle School, students will be immersed in a technology-enhanced curriculum. While at the career center on the high school campus, students will take high school level classes, such as Health Science, Auto Service, Marketing, Culinary Arts, Graphic Design, and Engineering & Design. Career School students will have a laptop available for their use during the school day.

Contact Information: (Maple Crest) Dr. Kathryn Reckard, Principal, kreckard@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 455-8085; Mailing address: 2727 S. Washington Street, Kokomo, IN 46902; School hours: 8:10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

(Bon Air) Mrs. Angela Blessing, Principal, ablessing@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 454-7025; Mailing address: 2796 Apperson Way North, Kokomo, IN 46901; School hours: 8:25 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

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Integrated Arts Schools

The Integrated Arts School at Wallace will serve students in grades K-5, while Integrated Arts students in grades 6-8 will attend Central Middle International School. Wallace Principal Charley Hinkle noted that this program recognizes the importance of the arts in education while enhancing the regular curriculum. The school day at Wallace is one hour longer than the other elementary schools because the students have the opportunity to learn piano keyboarding and study violin. Wallace students also study dance and movement, visual arts, and Spanish. All IB Central Students, as well as Integrated Arts students, have the opportunity to extend their school day to participate in Orchestra, Piano, and/or either Ballroom Dance or Ballet before and after school.

Magnet Schools

Wallace School of Integrated Arts (K-5)

Integrated Arts (6-8) at Central Middle International School

The Integrated Arts Schools are magnet schools open to all students. Applicants will be given an arts-related test with an established criteria level required for admission. Students learn through a core curriculum in an environment in which the arts is integrated into all aspects of learning. Students demonstrate understanding through an art form by engaging in a creative process which connects an art form and another subject area. In the 2015-16 school year, Wallace will house K-5 students and Central will house students in grades 6-8. Information about the Integrated Arts middle school program can be found on Page 13.



Wallace School for Integrated Arts

The Wallace School of Integrated Arts was opened in the fall of 2012 based on community surveys regarding educational opportunities for students after great interest was found for an integrated arts school. At Wallace School of Integrated Arts, students study core curriculum in an environment that is integrated into the arts. Students concentrate on the core curriculum with instructional methods tied closely to visual arts, dance, movement, and drama.

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Parent Night Meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Contact Information: Mr. Charley Hinkle, Principal, chinkle@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 454-7095; Mailing address: 2326 W. Jefferson, Kokomo, IN 46901; School hours: 8:05 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

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International Schools

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Magnet Schools

Lafayette Park International, Sycamore International, Central International (Integrated Arts) and KHS International

The IB Primary Years Program (Grades K-5) focuses on the development of the whole child as an inquirer, both in the classroom and in the world outside. The most distinctive feature of the elementary program is the six trans-disciplinary themes: Who we are; Where we are in place and time; How we express ourselves; How the world works; How we organize ourselves; and Sharing the planet.

The IB Middle Years Program (Grades 6-10) at Central Middle School and Kokomo High School provides a framework of learning that asks students to become creative and reflective thinkers. This IB program encourages students to make connections between their studies and to the real world. Any student can apply to magnet schools. Transportation is provided for students residing within Kokomo Schools boundaries.



Central International School Middle Years Program (6-8) and Integrated Arts (6-8)

Central Middle School is an authorized International Baccalaureate World School, which includes a cohort of the KEY (gifted and talented) program and the middle school Integrated Arts program. International studies focus on the creation of an academically challenging curriculum that connects students to global understanding. International partnerships allow students to participate in international exchanges with schools from around the world. In addition, all IB students, as well Integrated Arts students, have the opportunity to extend their school day to participate in Orchestra, Piano, and/or either Ballroom Dance or Ballet before or after school.

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Parent Night Meeting: Wednesday, March 4, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Contact Information: Mrs. Holly Herrera, Principal, hherrera@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 454-7000; Mailing address: 303 E. Superior Street, Kokomo, IN 46901; School hours: 8:10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

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Lafayette Park International School Primary Years Program (K-5)

Lafayette Park Elementary is an authorized International Baccalaureate World School. Instruction is project-based, inquiry-oriented, and global in focus. Interdisciplinary curriculum focuses on reading, mathematics, the fine arts, service learning and other core subjects. Classrooms are equipped with interactive white boards, projectors, and project laboratories. A preschool program that includes a Kindermusik program, also is available at Lafayette Park International School for children, ages 3 to 5 years old.

School Tour Week: No reservations are necessary. We welcome you to come and see the students and teachers in action on the following dates: 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 25 and Thursday, Feb. 26; and 10 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 27.

Parent Night Meeting: Wednesday, March 11, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Contact Information: Mrs. Sharon Hahn, Principal, shahn@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 454-7060; Mailing address: 919 N. Korby Street, Kokomo, IN 46901; School hours: 9:10 a.m. to 3:55 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com



Sycamore International School Primary Years Program (K-5)

Sycamore Elementary is an authorized International Baccalaureate World School which includes a cohort of the KEY (gifted and talented) program. This International Baccalaureate program promotes project-based learning through inquiry with a focus on global and cultural understanding. Students are encouraged to showcase their unique learning styles with group presentations, cooperative instruction, and technology assisted study.

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Parent Night Meetings: Tuesday, March 10, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Contact Information: Mrs. Anne Wiles, Principal, awiles@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 454-7090; Mailing address: 1600 E. Sycamore Street, Kokomo, IN 46901; School hours: 9:05 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

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KEY Gifted & Talented Program for High Ability learners

*Sycamore International Elementary School
Central Middle International School*

The KEY program in Kokomo Schools is designed to meet the needs of identified High Ability learners in order to provide an enriched environment that challenges and accelerates learning. At Sycamore International Elementary School students are immersed in a classroom that focuses on the learning styles of identified High Ability Learners. Teachers receive additional professional development in teaching critical thinking skills through a multidisciplinary approach. Students who demonstrate High Ability in Math or English Language Arts or both Math and English Language Arts are offered the opportunity to participate in the KEY program.

Students identified as High Ability attending Central International Middle School are given opportunities to take advanced classes in all subject areas. Classes include Algebra and Biology which allow students the opportunity to take more advanced Math and Science courses during high school. Transportation is provided for all qualifying KEY students who reside in the Kokomo School Corporation boundary. The program is open to all qualifying students regardless of residence.

International Schools at KHS Middle Years Program (9-10)

The Kokomo International School program is an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) World School. This International Middle Years program focuses on the creation of an academically challenging curriculum that connects students to global understanding. Instruction includes project-based learning, inquiry, assessment through demonstrated growth, proficiency in a foreign language, community service, and communication. International partnerships allow students to participate in international exchanges with schools from around the world. This program builds on the preparation received at Central International School. Students take rigorous classes in a setting designed for the IB program, and are allowed to participate in international exchanges.

International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (11-12) Career-related Program (11-12)

Kokomo International High School is an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program, as well as a Career-related Program School in partnership with the Kokomo Area Career Center. Kokomo International High School students can transition from the Middle Years Program into the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program or the International Baccalaureate Career Related Program. The Diploma Program is academically challenging and prepares students for university work. The DP curriculum consists of six subject groups (Mathematics, Individuals and Society, Language and Literature, Language Acquisition, The Arts, and Sciences) and the DP core: Theory of Knowledge; Creativity, Action, Service; and the Extended Essay.

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Kokomo High School

Kokomo High School is a comprehensive high school which has a distinguished history of serving the City of Kokomo since 1874. KHS is proud to serve a culturally-diverse student body, including approximately 40 International students, which learns from each other while experiencing a rigorous and engaging curriculum through a variety of challenging academic programs, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. In addition to the 22 Advanced Placement (AP) courses and being authorized in the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program, IB Diploma Program and the IB Career-related Program, KHS will be welcoming the first group of STEM students and be a school wide (9-12) 1-to-1 technology school for the 2015-2016 school year. Between the great programs already mentioned and access to the Kokomo Area Career Center, our students have an incredible number of challenging academic programs from which to choose. The school's wide range of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities provide additional opportunities for students to practice what they study.

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Parent Night Meeting: Tuesday, March 17, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Contact Information: Mr. Anthony Harl, Principal aharl@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 455-8040; Mailing address: 2501 S. Berkley, Kokomo, IN 46902; School hours: 7:30 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

Advanced Placement courses

Kokomo High School offers our students 22 Advanced Placement courses, including Art, Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Economics, Environmental Science, European History, English Literature/Composition, English Language/Composition, Human Geography, Music Theory, Physics, Spanish Language & Culture, German Language & Culture, French Language & Culture, Statistics, Studio Art, Psychology, US Government, and US History. KHS officials are proud of the fact that our students are earning recognition for recording high scores on the Advanced Placement tests. Annually, 30 Kokomo Schools students are recognized for being AP Scholars. KHS participates in the Advanced Placement Training & Incentive Program.

Kokomo High School 1-to-1 Technology

As part of its 1-to-1 student technology initiative, students in grade 9-12 at Kokomo High School will receive a personal computing device (i.e. laptop) for use during the school day. Qualified students are given the opportunity to take home their computing device. The laptop is fully equipped with Google Applications for Education and is a valuable learning tool. Teachers utilize the Google applications along with the Canvas Learning Management Software for teaching, assessing and communication.

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Kokomo Area Career Center

Kokomo Area Career Center provides career and technical training for students in grades 8-12 from four counties and nine school districts. Students completing certain courses can earn more than 165 college credits. The career center offers 10 careers cluster and pathways:

Architecture and Construction, Arts/AV Technology and Communication, Business and Marketing, Education and Training, Health Sciences, Hospitality and Human Services, Manufacturing, Public Safety, STEM, and Transportation. Instruction includes hands-on learning, project-based learning, cooperative learning, work based learning, internships, clinical rotations, and cooperative programs. In addition, Kokomo High School, in partnership with the Kokomo Area Career Center, is authorized to offer the International Baccalaureate (IB) Career-related Program. This academically challenging program incorporates IB values for students who are engaged in career related study. A student must take a minimum of two IB DP courses, the CP core, and career related study.

Contact Information: Mr. Jonathan Schuck, Principal, jschuck@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 455-8021; Mailing address: 2415 S. Berkley, Kokomo, IN 46902; School hours: 7:30 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.; www.kokomoschools.com

Alternative Education at Lincoln and McKinley Schools

McKinley Alternative School provides a personalized approach to help students earn a high school diploma. McKinley students are accepted by KHS Principal referral only. Lincoln School houses the middle school alternative program.

Parent Night Meetings:

At McKinleyThursday, February 26, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

At LincolnFriday, February 27, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Contact Information: Mr. Idowu Ikudabo, Principal, iikudabo@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 776-7123; Address: 2501 S. Berkley, Kokomo, IN 46902. Phone number: (765) 454-7080; Mailing address: 1217 W. Carter St., Kokomo, IN

Twilight School at KHS

The Twilight School on the Kokomo High School campus is open to all ages, 16 to 100. This alternative educational program allows students to pursue a Kokomo High School diploma during the twilight hours from 3 to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 3 to 6 p.m. on Friday. Interested applicants may obtain enrollment information by calling (765) 776-7123.

Contact Information: Mr. Rick Hagenow, Director, rhagenow@kokomo.k12.in.us; Phone number: (765) 776-7123; Address: 2501 S. Berkley, Kokomo, IN 46902.

...Tuesday, February 24th (4-7:00 p.m.) at Memorial Gym!

2015-2016 PARENT CHOICE APPLICATION

No application necessary if student is staying in current program.

Parents/Guardians:

Kokomo School Corporation needs your help choosing the education programs best-suited for your student in 2015-2016. You are asked to rank your choices. All applicants will be considered and selection will be based on space availability for all schools and entrance requirements for some Magnets (Integrated Arts, KEY and 8th grade Career Schools). All students are guaranteed a spot at their boundary school (Bon Air, Boulevard, Elwood Haynes, Lafayette Park, Pettit Park, Sycamore, Maple Crest Middle School and Bon Air Middle School).

Transportation:

Preschool, Elementary, and Middle School Students

With the exception of the students living in the walk-in zone, transportation is provided for students who attend the school within their boundary. In addition, transportation is provided for students who are accepted into one of the magnet programs: Sycamore KEY, Wallace Integrated Arts, Central Middle School KEY, Central Middle School Integrated Arts, or Central Middle International School. For students attending an elementary IB school, shuttle service is provided from the boundary school to the designated IB school.

*The boundary schools for Lafayette Park include Boulevard and Pettit Park, while the boundary schools for Sycamore include Bon Air and Elwood Haynes.

Transportation for Preschool students is provided for Head Start students only.

All Applications are due by April 1, 2015.

ONLINE application available at:
www.kokomoschools.com



2015-2016 PARENT CHOICE APPLICATION

No application necessary if student is staying in current program.

Student Legal Name (last, first, middle) _____

Grade Level 2015-16 _____ School Currently Attending _____

Legal Parent/Guardian _____

Street Address _____ Zip Code _____

Student Birthdate _____ Telephone Contact _____

E-mail address _____

For your child, please rank your choices 1, 2, 3 with 1 as your first choice.

My elementary child requests to attend:

_____ **KEY High Ability** at Sycamore Elementary (must meet requirements)

_____ **INTEGRATED ARTS SCHOOL** at Wallace (must meet requirements)

_____ **TRADITIONAL SCHOOL** at Elwood Haynes

_____ **STEM SCHOOL** at Boulevard

INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL at:

_____ Lafayette Park* _____ Sycamore* (*see boundary information on page 18)

TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL at:

_____ Pettit Park _____ Bon Air

My middle school child requests to attend:

_____ **INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL** at Central Middle International School

_____ **KEY High Ability** at Central Middle International School
(must meet requirements)

_____ **INTEGRATED ARTS SCHOOL** at Central Middle International School
(must meet requirements)

_____ **STEM SCHOOL** at Maple Crest Middle School

_____ **TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL** at Bon Air Middle School

CAREER SCHOOL (8th grade only and must meet requirements) at:

_____ Maple Crest Middle School _____ Bon Air Middle School

My preschool child requests to attend:

_____ HEAD START at Darrough Chapel (must meet eligibility guidelines)

Full Day at: _____ ELWOOD HAYNES _____ LAFAYETTE PARK

Half Day at: _____ ELWOOD HAYNES _____ LAFAYETTE PARK

_____ PETTIT PARK _____ BOULEVARD

Superintendent's Message

Greetings from Kokomo Schools! The times continue to be exciting for our schools and our community. I am proud of the work being done by our teachers and staff as our school corporation moves forward.

Your school leaders – including Board members, administrators, and teachers – have spent many hours during my tenure studying some of the top programs and schools in the world. We believe the time is well spent because we recognize the need to provide a range of programs and options, as well as outstanding facilities, for our students and parents.

The seeds planted through International Baccalaureate (IB), Integrated Arts, STEM, Technology, early childhood expansion, and Career schools are bearing academic fruit, while our facility projects give both our alumni and current students great pride.

The Kokomo High School Class of 2016 will include our first IB Diploma Program (DP) graduates, as well as our first IB Career-related Program (CP) graduates. University officials have shared with us that IB Diploma graduates have tremendous leverage regarding college choice.

Our Integrated Arts program will be K through 8 for the coming school year at Wallace Elementary and Central Middle School, while we begin new construction at Wallace to provide additional space. I was so proud of our Central School's International Strings Orchestra, Band, and Choir in December as our young musicians performed during the Centennial Celebration as we rededicated our renovated auditorium and 1914 school building.

2015-2016 enrollment (February 15 through March 31) at Kokomo Schools is quickly approaching, and we hope you will take advantage of the many opportunities we are making available for parents to find the educational program that best fits each of their students' learning style. The kickoff for this exciting time is our All School Kokomo Education Fair on February 24th at Memorial Gym from 4 to 7 p.m. This year, we will be incorporating our Early Childhood – Preschools including Head Start - and Kindergarten roundups into our Education Fair. Please understand, especially if you are applying to attend one of our Magnet School programs – International Baccalaureate, Integrated Arts, KEY, and 8th-grade Career schools – you must enroll by March 31st to be eligible for early acceptance.

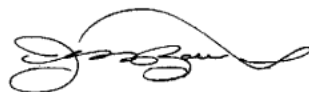
Parents can visit our schools during Tour Week on Wednesday and Thursday (February 25-26) at 10 am and 1 pm each day, and Friday (February 27) at 10 am. In addition, each of our principals will be conducting an evening Parent Meeting between March 3-17 to answer any questions you may have concerning our programs. I encourage you to tour our schools and to attend our parent meetings.

I hope to see you at the Education Fair on February 24th at Memorial Gym. Thank you for your continued support of Kokomo Schools. Go Kats!



Dr. Jeff Hauswald

Very respectfully,



**ALL SCHOOL EDUCATION FAIR at MEMORIAL GYM
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.**



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