
Why should YOU join the Seven Hills family?

- Every child is known, loved and capable of high achievement.
- We are committed to celebrating the diversity of our student body and making parents feel welcome and connected. Parents and teachers have an obligation to work as a team to support each child as a learner and member of a caring school community.
- Every staff member is chosen with care. We aggressively recruit dynamic educators who are committed to urban school reform and will do whatever it takes to ensure that every child succeeds. Salaries and benefit packages are competitive and teachers may participate in the Massachusetts Teacher Retirement Plan. We provide a thorough induction, professional development and support program for teachers. Teacher raises, bonuses and annual contract renewals are based upon professional growth and student achievement. Outstanding educators have opportunities for professional advancement.
- SHCPS has four small academies, each with its own Head of School, dedicated to providing for high levels of accountability and support for students, teachers and families.
- Two highly qualified educators teach each core class.
- Teachers tailor our rigorous academic program, based on the MA Common Core Standards, to meet the individual needs of each student. Teachers carefully monitor achievement and make adjustments to ensure that all students are challenged and supported appropriately.
- All students study a second language, art, music, health and physical education, library, technology and guidance. Students achieving honor roll status may apply to the Seven Hills Enrichment Learning Lab.
- We believe that a well rounded education means integrating character education, the arts and technology into all classes, and providing opportunities for students and staff to showcase talents throughout the school and community. We offer cutting edge educational technology and our drama club, stomp team, show choir, ensemble and competitive basketball teams are only a few of our highly acclaimed extra curricular programs.
- We offer a full range of support services for students and families including guidance counseling, enrichment programs, special education and related services, and English language learning programs.
- Students who score Proficient or Advanced on MCAS, earn Honor Roll and / or Model Citizenship awards are eligible for high school and college scholarships.



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Enrollment at Seven Hills Charter Public School

As a public school, Seven Hills Charter is open to all students entering grades K-8, with first preference given to children who live within the city of Worcester.

Seven Hills Charter Public School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, ancestry, athletic performance, disability status, proficiency in the English language or a foreign language, or prior academic achievement.

As mandated by the MA Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, all students seeking entry into a Massachusetts charter school must apply and be selected through a public lottery. Applications are available at the school or on the school website after October 1 of each year. To request an Enrollment Application or for a tour of the school contact us at 508-799-7500.

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Seven Hills Charter Public School



“Preparing Children for Success from Kindergarten to College, Career and Beyond!”

Our Mission Statement

The mission of the Seven Hills Charter Public School is to prepare a diverse cross-section of Worcester children for success as students, workers, and citizens by providing them with a high-quality education at prevailing public school costs.

A Brief History

Seven Hills Charter Public School was founded in 1996 by a group of private citizens who partnered with Edison Schools, Inc. to provide an alternative mode for public education in the city of Worcester. The doors opened to 524 K-7 students on September 11, 1996. Since then, the school has grown to hold 665 children in grades K-8 and maintains a waitlist of approximately 300 students. In May of 2005, the state board of education approved a charter amendment allowing Seven Hills to operate independently of Edison Schools. In February of 2011, the school's charter was renewed, for another five year term.

Student Achievement

Seven Hills Charter Public School is required to take the same local, state, and national tests administered by other public schools. These results are posted on our school website and reported to the public and the Department of Education by manner of an Annual Report and a School Report Card mandated by the No Child Left Behind legislation. To request a copy of any of these reports contact the school at 508-799-7500.

Code of Conduct

Be safe. Be kind. Be responsible.

Core Values

Wisdom Justice Courage Compassion

Hope Respect Responsibility Integrity

What makes SHCPS special?

Seven Hills Charter Public School offers a family oriented environment based upon the belief that the school-home partnership is an integral component for the academic success of each child. Family involvement is strongly encouraged and expected. We offer students and families:

- a safe and nurturing learning environment.
- a staff that puts children and families first by maintaining strong communication and access to support services.
- a highly qualified staff that is committed to ongoing professional development and collaboration.



- a school schedule and calendar that provides more dedicated learning time.
- a curriculum that is guided by clear and ambitious academic standards.
- well rounded instructional programs that integrate art, music, technology and character education into everyday learning.
- foreign language, health and fitness instruction starting in kindergarten.
- ongoing authentic assessment that allows teachers to tailor instruction to meet individual needs.
- opportunities to extend learning through assemblies, fieldtrips, after school activities, and the Seven Hills Enrichment Learning Laboratory.
- “Intensives” that unite the school around the study of engaging themes.
- a daily emphasis on the core values of wisdom, justice, courage, compassion, hope, respect, responsibility and integrity.

Organization & Governance:

Seven Hills Charter Public School is governed by the Board of Trustees and school administration.

The school is organized into four small “academies.” Each academy has its own Head of School who works with the teachers and school leadership team to provide high levels of support and accountability for all students, teachers and families.

A School Advisory Council, comprised of equal representation of staff, students, parents and community members meets monthly to develop and monitor an annual school improvement plan and related initiatives.

Seven Hills maintains an atmosphere where every voice counts and all members of the school community work together to better serve our children.

A Well Rounded Curriculum

At Seven Hills Charter Public School, each child's intellectual capacity is respected and nurtured through Reading, Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, and Science. Students are challenged to excel in rigorous but absorbing programs of study featuring: direct instruction in phonics, composition and comprehension skills; immersion in various genres of classic and contemporary literature, math experiences that cultivate an intuitive sense of numbers and mathematical processes; and intentional inquiry into the Earth and its inhabitants.

Through Physical Education, Visual Arts, Music, World Language, and Character Education, student's creative capabilities are enhanced in an environment that prizes each one's unique strengths and talents through a quest for personal excellence. An emphasis is placed on cooperation, perseverance, self discipline and confidence; Spanish language and cultural awareness and especially the joy of creation and the elation of performance.