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University Schools

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Educational Compendium

- Educational Initiatives
  - Oversees University Schools, the Center for Service Learning and Volunteerism, and the University Schools Research Consortium

- Lipman Early Learning & Research Center
  - Preschool programs for students aged 2-5

- Campus Elementary School
  - Elementary school serving students in K-5

- University Middle
  - Middle school serving students in grades 6-8

- University Schools Research Consortium
  - Enables faculty research at the University Schools in conjunction with the Center for Research in Educational Policy
University Schools Mission

The mission of University schools is to provide the children of our community with educational experiences that enhance their development from birth to graduation and promote dynamic research, collaborative partnerships and innovative practices.
Lipman Early Learning & Research Center

The Barbara K. Lipman Early Learning & Research Center has been a resource to the Memphis community for almost 70 years. Students from ages 2-5 years are engaged in creative questioning and problem solving. They learn to understand and share with each other through interpersonal communication skills while discovering and expanding their world through an interactive environment. Students that attend a pre-kindergarten program are three times more likely to attend a college or university. The Center serves approximately 125 children through three pre-school demonstrations and a robust arts and engagement program.

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Campus Elementary School

The Campus Elementary School has also been a resource to K-5th graders in the Memphis community for almost 70 years. Campus Elementary School balances an innovative curriculum with research and design facilitated by the University of Memphis. Campus Elementary is in a unique position of serving a diverse school population that allows for the building and collaboration of students and teachers from diverse educational, cultural, social and personal backgrounds. With their enthusiasm and excellence for learning, Campus School has consistently placed within the top 5% of Tennessee public schools and was the recipient of the National Blue Ribbon School for academic achievement by the US Department of Education in 2019.

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University Middle School

University Middle School is the newest addition to the University Schools ecosystem and started with the inaugural 6th grade class in the Fall of 2019 and is adding the second 6th grade class in the Fall of 2020. University Middle’s full enrollment will serve 240 children in grades 6 through 8. University Middle is structured to create diverse enrollment with the inaugural class feeding from over 20 local Shelby County Schools. As an extension of the laboratory lifestyle, University Middle Students will be following a project-based learning curriculum that will allow them to take their in-class education into the wider world and apply theory to practice. University Middle aims to challenge students at all levels of academic enrichment.

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Enrollment to the University Schools

Enrollment is based on the following order of priority:

• children of full-time UofM faculty/staff
• siblings of currently enrolled students
• students matriculating directly from University Schools
• applicants living within a 2.0 mile radius of the administration building

Enrollment opens for all three schools the Fall prior to the beginning of the next school year and applications will be available on each school’s website.
University Schools Research Consortium (USRC)

The University Schools are a natural area for University of Memphis academics and researchers to be able to meet and learn. The University Schools Research Consortium oversees and approves research projects.

Each University School welcomes research projects and requests to conduct research activities are found through their individual websites.

Please visit https://www.memphis.edu/eduinitiatives/research/index.php to learn more or email Dr. Carolyn Kaldon, the USRC Chair, Carolyn.kaldon@Memphis.edu
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