

School Comparison Checklist

Compare schools on what matters to your family — use one sheet per school.

ACADEMICS & FIT

- ☐ Curriculum & teaching approach
- ☐ Class size & student-teacher ratio
- ☐ Support for your child's needs (special ed, EL, gifted)
- ☐ Test scores & outcomes in context

ENVIRONMENT

- ☐ Safety & climate; how discipline works
- ☐ Diversity & inclusion
- ☐ Facilities (library, labs, arts, sports)
- ☐ Before/after-care options

LOGISTICS & COST

- ☐ Location, commute, transportation
- ☐ Tuition & fees (if any); aid available
- ☐ Schedule & calendar
- ☐ Application deadlines & process

YOUR IMPRESSION

- ☐ Did you tour or attend an open house?
- ☐ How did staff & students feel?
- ☐ Do the values match your family's?
- ☐ Gut check: could your child thrive here?