

# DANBURY PUBLIC MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Grades 6 through 8



**Broadview**



**Rogers Park**



**Westside Academy**

*Experience the Danbury  
Difference*

## **Broadview Middle School** 72 Hospital Avenue Danbury, CT

*Respect for people, property and the  
ideas of others, and always do your  
best.*

**Principal: Dr. Edie Thomas**

Broadview strives to provide a safe educational environment that addresses the unique developmental needs of its students. It promotes competence, self-discipline and independence through the teaching-learning process. In addition to core courses, students are able to study art, media technology, health, physical education and world languages such as Spanish and French.

Students at Broadview also participate in a number of extracurricular activities such as the Media Club, Global Endeavors, Mathletes, Unified Sports, and Roots and Shoots. The school is proud of its award-winning performing arts department encompassing chorus, band, orchestra and theater. Field trips include travel to Philadelphia and Washington, D.C.

## **Rogers Park Middle School** 21 Memorial Drive Danbury, CT

*Every child, every chance, every day*

**Principal: Dr. Kristy Zaleta**

Rogers Park is a multicultural community of students, staff and parents fostering enthusiastic, respectful lifelong learners working to achieve their potentials and to meet the challenges of the future. In addition to core courses, students are able to study art, physical education and world languages, such as Spanish and French. Honors courses in math, English and science are also available.

The district's STEM program, which has been moved to WSMSA, originated at this school where it grew into an overwhelming success.

Students at Rogers Park also participate in a variety of activities, including an anti-bullying campaign and video, and community outreach programs to help feed those in need. As part of the science curriculum, the students and faculty also labored to grow a native plant garden and the area is used by the school as an outdoor classroom.

**Westside Middle School  
Academy  
1 School Ridge Road  
Danbury, CT**

**Principal: Dr. Frank LaBanca**

WSMSA is a district magnet school that opened its doors in 2014. The school has two academies: one with a focus on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and one for Global Studies. An overall theme of exploration, which will also be incorporated into the other two middle schools, ensures that students satisfy core curriculum while also being challenged to reach their fullest potentials. Students are encouraged and expected to problem-solve and be creative.

The school also offers world languages in Spanish and Mandarin. Students at the school have also participated in LEGO robotics and are mastering the skill of 3D printing. Extracurricular activities include a jazz band and a journalism class.

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FAST FACTS**

Eighth-graders have excelled on the Connecticut Mastery Tests: 89 percent were proficient after five years in the Danbury schools; this figure was only 62 percent for students who were enrolled fewer than five years.

In math, students also exceeded the state average with a score of 41, compared to the state's 36, according to last year's results.

For English Language Learners, students at the Danbury middle schools are outpacing the state in reading scores, growing an average of 47 points versus the overall state score of 34.

Danbury has the region's only STEM Middle School.

Broadview Middle School has award-winning groups that include the BMS media club and the Mathletes.

Danbury is the only district in the area that offers middle school students a chance to learn abroad: Rogers Park students taking Spanish II have the opportunity to travel to Puerto Rico.

Danbury's EXCEL program offers college prep to lower-income and future first-generation college students. Middle school students move up to ConnCAP/Upward Bound at the high school level. Student success has been proven in the program's high retention rate and rate of attendance at four-year colleges.

**WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING:**

*What I like most about Westside Middle School Academy is that we work together. We learn how to use technology to improve our abilities.*

- Hannah  
WSMSA

*What makes Broadview great is that when you walk in the school, you feel welcomed and embraced by others in the school.*

- Nick  
Broadview MS

*My middle-school experience has been very enjoyable due to the wonderful and generous staff at Rogers Park. They helped me when I needed assistance, guided me in the right direction when required and always pushed me to do my best.*

- Barkha  
Rogers Park MS

*We came in expecting so much and we got so much more than we expected.*

- Caitlyn  
Broadview MS