



## Controlled Choice Schools

Murfreesboro City Schools (MCS) is pleased to have three controlled choice schools as options for our students and parents. Our choices include the following content focuses:

- Arts
- STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics)
- Leadership

These campuses are part of a strong portfolio of schools within our district.

MCS sets high academic standards for all students at each of our traditional and controlled choice schools equipping them with the knowledge and ability to succeed in high school and beyond.

Below you will find a brief description of our controlled choice schools aimed at helping you make informed decisions about whether a controlled choice school is right for your child. Please feel free to contact the school principal for additional details or visit the school website. Controlled choice enrollment is limited.

### **Bradley Academy - Arts Integrated School**

Bradley Academy is recognized for excellence in arts — creative writing, drama, instrumental music, theater, visual arts and vocal music. Coupled with a strong academic program, Bradley develops both the artistic and academic talents of its students.

### **Hobgood Elementary – STEM School**

The STEM program shows students the value of learning skills in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Students learn to become critical thinkers through hands-on academic experiences that involve innovative new technologies.

### **Mitchell-Neilson – Leadership Academy**

Leader in Me is an innovative, school-wide model that increases teacher effectiveness, student engagement, and academic achievement, while preparing students to be leaders in the 21st century. The development of good habits, grounded in the values of citizenship and leadership, is a fundamental part of this philosophy.

### **How does the process work?**

Controlled choice schools have a limited number of openings. Applications will be accepted from April 1<sup>st</sup> through April 26<sup>th</sup>.

A letter of acceptance will be mailed to students on or before May 20<sup>th</sup>. After receiving your letter of acceptance, parents must complete and return a letter of intent. The letter of intent will be part of the acceptance packet sent to parents.

Students may be admitted after the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year if space permits based on the principal's discretion.

### **Please note:**

- Bus transportation is not provided for students utilizing the controlled choice school out of zone.
- Students must stay in good standing with school in regards to tardies and absences.
- Students not following school policies will be reviewed for possible return to the zoned schools.
- Students will adhere to the provisions outlined in the parent handbook.
- Rising students are not guaranteed placement in a controlled choice school. School records will be reviewed.
- Parents/guardians are requested to participate in PTO or other school volunteer roles.

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## Controlled Choice School Application 2019-2020

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| Bradley Academy         |  |
| Hobgood Elementary      |  |
| Mitchell-Neilson School |  |

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Current School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade for 2019-20 School Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother/Guardian: (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian: (Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*If your phone number or address changes, you must notify the school in writing.**

### Complete this section for siblings also applying for the same school.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade for 2019-20 school year: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade for 2019-20 school year: \_\_\_\_\_

What school are you currently zoned to attend? \_\_\_\_\_

What school did your child attend in the 2018-19 school year? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child live within the city limits of Murfreesboro? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your child currently on an expulsion/suspension from another school? \_\_\_\_\_

**For Office Use Only** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Received:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attendance:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Discipline Issues:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Committee Decision**

**Grades:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Accept**

**Bradley** \_\_\_\_\_ **Hobgood** \_\_\_\_\_ **Mitchell-Neilson** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Deny**

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Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Controlled Choice School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you wish your child to attend this controlled choice school? (75 Words or less)

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(Continue on back if additional room is needed.)

Is there additional information you would like the selection committee to know?

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If your child was enrolled in a school district other than Murfreesboro City Schools in 2018-19, please attach a copy of your child's current report card.

### Employee Preference Note:

Is parent/guardian a full-time school-based employee? Yes No Employee School: \_\_\_\_\_

### **CERTIFICATION OF AGREEMENT BY PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN:**

If my child's application is accepted in order to attend the school requested above, this is a privilege that comes with the conditions listed below. I agree to the conditions and understand that failure to adhere to the listed conditions may result in my child having to return to his/her zoned school.

The conditions are:

1. My child will have no more than ten (10) unexcused absences during the school year.
2. My child will have no more than ten (10) unexcused tardies/early dismissals during the school year.
3. My child will be picked up promptly after school, or will be enrolled in the Extended School Program (ESP).
4. My child will adhere to the Murfreesboro City Schools Policy Handbook for Parents.
5. I will abide by the provisions of the Parent Handbook.
6. I will pay all appropriate charges promptly (lunch, ESP, etc.) unless my child is entitled to subsidies for such charges.

I agree to abide by the above conditions.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### **PRINCIPAL'S CERTIFICATION:**

I agree to notify the parent or legal guardian, in writing, as well as Central Office administration, if the child is close to losing the privilege of attending this school as a result of violating any of the above conditions. The notification will also include conditions that will be necessary in order for the child to continue enrollment. If the violations continue, the child will be sent back to his/her zoned school and will forfeit the privilege provided by the controlled choice school admission exemption to attend this school.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Principal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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School