NAZ K-8 ANCHOR SCHOOL GUIDEBOOK

NAZ SCHOLARS IN ANCHOR SCHOOLS ARE OUTPERFORMING THOSE IN OTHER SCHOOLS.
WHY ENROLL AT AN ANCHOR SCHOOL?

When a NAZ Scholar has an anchor school + a family achievement coach or expanded learning, they are twice as likely to be proficient in reading and math.

Based on the Strengthening Families Protective Factors Framework, the NAZ ecosystem encompasses a series of positive interactions with parents and scholars that mitigate the toxic stress created by poverty. Communication, continuity, and alignment of the NAZ Behavioral Health Framework—including key interactions that are prevention-focused and promote emotional health—are cultivated across NAZ.

The best way to improve your scholar’s outcomes and progress in your Family Achievement plan is to enroll your child at a NAZ anchor school, work with a NAZ coach, graduate from Family Academy, become a parent leader, and participate in after-school programming or behavioral health strategies.

NOTES:

School openings change every day as classrooms fill up. If a school tells you they are full and can’t enroll your student, ask to be put onto a waiting list and check with our other Anchor Schools for openings.

Keep your Coach informed so we can help support the process.

CHECKLIST:

- Check what kind of academic supports or after-school programs are offered.
- Location is important, but the closest school doesn’t necessarily mean it will be the best fit for your child.
- Does the school schedule work with your family? Not all school start at the same time.
- Check the website for opportunities and school supports.
- Set up a school tour; create a list of pros and cons about the school.
- Ask other NAZ families about the school.

COLLEGE BOUND SCHOLARS

NAZ offers a Family Academy class for parents of elementary school scholars. Talk to your coach to see when a College Bound Scholars class is starting near you.

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NELLIE STONE JOHNSON ELEMENTARY

807 27th Avenue N., Minneapolis, MN 55411
Grades: PreK-5 | Hours: 8:05AM to 2:35PM

HIGHLIGHTS

☐ Four NAZ Family Achievement Coaches are located at the school and provide family and Scholar goal-setting support. (One Spanish speaking)

☐ Offers energetic and academically engaging Beacons Program after school

☐ 19 Reading Corps volunteers pair with scholars for additional literacy support in the classrooms

☐ Music-recording program offered for all scholars

ENROLL

☐ To enroll: Complete the MPS enrollment card by February 8.
To schedule a visit, call 612-668-2930.

Nellie Stone Johnson scholars who score highest on both the math and reading MCA testing are enrolled in NAZ.

ASCENSION SCHOOL

1726 Dupont Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55411
Grades: K-8 | Hours: 7:30AM to 1:45PM
After-school programming until 5:30PM

HIGHLIGHTS

☐ Small classes and engaging school staff

☐ School encourages discipline based on respect and responsibility

☐ Four NAZ Family Coaches are located at the school and provide family and scholar goal-setting support. (One coach is Spanish speaking)

☐ After-school math program, Prepare2 Nspire, created in partnership with the University of Minnesota

ENROLL

☐ To enroll: Call 612-521-3609 and mention you are a NAZ family.

“(...) We are the future leaders of the world. (...)”

MCA TEST SCORES

ASCENSION SCHOOL

Reading Proficiency | Math Proficiency
32% | 30%
All scholars in school

NAZ scholar, Tavorian, thrives in math and reading at Nellie Stone Johnson elementary.

MCA TEST SCORES

NELLIE STONE JOHNSON ELEMENTARY

Reading Proficiency | Math Proficiency
39% | 34%
All scholars in school

Ascension scholar, Hector, enjoys math and sports.
KIPP NORTH STAR PRIMARY SCHOOL & KIPP NORTH STAR ACADEMY

5034 N. Oliver Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55430
Primary: K-4 | Academy: 5-8
Hours: 8:45AM to 4:15PM (Wed until 1:00PM)

HIGHLIGHTS
- Rigorous academic preparation and youth-focused character development
- Four NAZ Family Coaches are located at the school and provide family and Scholar goal-setting support
- Rewarding scholar’s success with weekly paychecks for performance

ENROLL
- To enroll: Call 612-287-9700. Expect to take a five-minute enrollment survey. Tell them you are a NAZ family. Scholars are accepted for 2019-20 based on a lottery system hosted in mid-February.

MCA TEST SCORES
2017-18 scores

Reading Proficiency | Math Proficiency
29% | 32%

All scholars in school

KIPP scholar playing “Emotions Bingo” in NAZ after-school program.

"The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, and to have it make some difference."

MASTERY SCHOOL

4021 Thomas Avenue N, Minneapolis, MN 55412
Grades: K-7 | Hours: 7:45AM to 3:45PM (Friday until 1:45PM)

HIGHLIGHTS
- Environment of excellence supports youth academic, social and moral development
- Rigorous academic standard and reward system to encourage positive behavior
- Four NAZ Family Coaches are located at the school and provide family and Scholar goal-setting support
- Offers FREE academic camps during spring break
- Individualized academic support in math and reading
- Single gender classes

ENROLL
- To enroll: Call 612-876-3815 or visit during school hours.

"It’s the NAZ in us that makes us who we are."

MCA TEST SCORES
2017-18 scores

Reading Proficiency | Math Proficiency
38% | 45%

All scholars in school

Family achievement coach, Richelle, supports Mastery scholars Mariah and Leonna and their families to succeed in academics and life.