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Families Encouraged to Attend District Offerings and Options Fair this Saturday, October 24th

District Magnet Registration Season Underway

PITTSBURGH October 23, 2015 – The Pittsburgh Public Schools magnet registration period for the 2016-17 school year is currently underway. Families seeking information about District magnet programs are encouraged to attend this year's Pittsburgh Public Schools Offerings and Options Fair scheduled for Saturday, October 24, 2015 at Pittsburgh Obama, from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. The fair is also a time where families have the opportunity to complete and submit Magnet Applications.

With the exception of Pittsburgh CAPA, the General Magnet Registration Application deadline is December 11, 2015. Pittsburgh CAPA's application deadline is Wednesday, October 28, 2015. The District is encouraging prospective parents to fill out an application in full by the deadline in order to be considered for the electronic lottery set to run this December.

The District currently offers 21 magnet options across the region. Parents and families are encouraged to explore the variety of programs available by reviewing the comprehensive Offerings and Options Guide available on the District's website at www.pps.k12.pa.us/magnet. Families can also learn more by attending this year's fair or contacting a school to arrange a tour or shadowing experience.

Magnet schools and programs provide students opportunities to pursue special interest, talents or career goals. Students who enroll in a magnet program are expected to remain in the program for at least one school year and must maintain satisfactory attendance, citizenship and academic progress.

The Magnet Registration Application can be downloaded on the District's website at www.pps.k12.pa.us/magnet. Families may also request a copy by calling the Parent Hotline at (412) 529-HELP (4357). Students who attend Pittsburgh Allegheny K-5, Pittsburgh Obama 6-8 or Pittsburgh CAPA 6-8 must **REAPPLY** to continue at Pittsburgh Allegheny 6-8, Pittsburgh Obama 9-12 or Pittsburgh CAPA 9-12. Spaces are not automatically reserved for these schools. Magnet Result Letters will be sent home to families starting the week of January 18, 2016.

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