



Vision

By providing equitable access to a world class education, every Oklahoma City Public Schools student will graduate ready to fulfill their unique purpose in a healthy, vibrant community.

Mission

Every day, Oklahoma City Public Schools will ignite a passion for learning in every child, invite families to engage, and inspire respectful and trusting relationships with our diverse community.

About OKCPS

Oklahoma City Public Schools (OKCPS) is a multi-cultural district serving approximately 45,000 students. Our students are educated throughout 33 neighborhood elementary schools, 13 middle schools, 9 high schools, 3 alternative schools and 9 charter schools located within 135.5 square miles in the center of Oklahoma.

We employ just over 4,600 administrators, teachers, and support personnel who serve a student population which is comprised of 2% Asian, 3% Native American, 14% Caucasian, 22% African American, and 54% Hispanic individuals.

Additionally, 18,000 of our students are bilingual and 13,000 are English Language Learners. Our students and their families represent many different languages; top two being English with 59% and Spanish with 39%.

OKCPS offers special education programs across the district to serve the 12% of our population with disabilities or special needs.

OKCPS is a CEP district which means every student eats free breakfast and lunch every day. We serve approximately 45,000 meals daily (including breakfast and lunch).

We transport an average of 12,000 students daily to and from school.

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Putnam Heights Administration

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2021

COMMENCEMENT

Putnam Heights Academy

May 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm

Capitol Hill Fieldhouse
 500 SW 36th St., OKC, OK 73109





Awards

Principal's Award.....Kobe Todd
 Mathematics Award.....Driana Jones
 English Award.....Dayana Trejo
 History Award.....Driana Jones
 Science Award.....Jannie Trejo
 Visual Arts Award.....Dayana Trejo
 Visual Arts Award.....Jannie Trejo
 Character Award.....Jeremiah Cotten
 Panther Growth Award.....Dazamian Prince
 Panther Award.....Darian Bourne

HONOREES

1st in Class.....Driana Jones
 2nd in Class.....Zeandrea Anderson
 3rd in Class.....Dayana Trejo

History

Putnam Heights Academy has been in existence for 112 years. That said, this year is our second year as a high school. More importantly, the Class of 2021 is the second graduating class. Putnam Heights Academy is an alternative school that helps students realize their value. It assists in leading them to their purpose, and succeeding in achieving their goals. This graduation ceremony marks a new moment in our school's history.

Panther Vision

We will empower all students to be the best version of themselves through self-awareness and respect for others. We will create a positive community and inspire a real passion for lifelong success.

Commencement Program

Processional, "Pomp and Circumstance".....Class of 2021
 Pledge of Allegiance.....Teshawn Washington Moore
 Welcome.....Dr. Sean McDaniel, OKCPS Superintendent
 Introduction of Special Guests.....Shane Nelson, Principal
 Introduction of Senior Speaker..... Shane Nelson, Principal
 Senior Speaker..... Dayana Trejo
 Music Presentation.....Kalyasia Hill
 Speech & Presentation of the Class of 2021..... Shane Nelson, Principal
 Acceptance of Class of 2021.....Lori Bowman
 & Presentation of Diplomas District 2 Board Member
 Turning of the Tassel & Closing.....Shane Nelson, Principal
 Recessional, "Pomp and Circumstance".....Senior Class 2021

Congratulations Class of 2021

Music:
 " I'll Find You " by Lecrae
 Performed by: Kalyasia Hill
 Music Director-Mr. Henry Rice

Class of 2021

Erick Agapito	Jabriond I. Smith
Zeandrea L. Anderson	Kalijah T. Thompson
Darian A. Bourne	Kobe L. Todd
Jeremiah L. Cotten	Dayana Trejo
Driana N. Jones	Jannie Trejo
Carlos Montes	Aveyah A. Ward
Dazamian L. Prince	Teshawn J. Washington Moore

Senior Class Color

Navy

Senior Class Flower

Yellow Rose



School Creed

We are the Panthers of Putnam Heights.
 We will change our world by changing ourselves.
 We cannot lose because we do not quit.
 We stalk our dreams, fight for right,
 and confidently attack and conquer our goals.
 Success is eminent!



Senior Class Motto

"I have value. My life has a purpose. I will succeed."

Special Thanks

Kaleo Foundation
 Sam & Pam Walker

Sara Cole- Founder Grad Squad
 Roots to Rise Foundation