

The High School Application

Please use the 2017-2018 High School Directory to assist you and your child in choosing an appropriate program. In order for us to better assist you; please have your child return the completed application on or before November 17, 2017. However, the final deadline is December 1, 2017. It is mandatory that this application is returned. If it is not returned, you will give up the opportunity to make a choice and High School Admissions will make a choice for you.

The application must be filled out in pencil to avoid errors. If you need a change of address, please submit two utility bills to the main office. Admissions are based on the final seventh grade, fourth marking period report card as listed on your child's application.

The Twelve Choices:

You have up to 12 choices of programs. The 12 choices DO NOT include any of the 8 Specialized High Schools or LaGuardia High School. If you registered for the SHSAT or a LaGuardia audition it is automatically entered on your application.

Your child will be matched to only ONE of the 12 choices on their application. Rank the programs in the order of preference. Do not list any program/school that you are not willing to accept. Please consider travel time and distance for each of your choices. If your child is planning on taking an audition for schools or programs in other boroughs and your child is willing to accept the school if he/she is matched to that school, then enter it as one of the 12 choices in the priority that you choose.

Please be aware of the following Admissions Policies:

Zoned Programs:

- Students wishing to attend the zoned program in their zoned school must list that program as one of their 12 choices. If the student does not match to a higher choice on their application, they will automatically be matched to their zoned program provided it is listed as a choice on their application.
- Students are not guaranteed admission to programs in their zoned school other than the zoned program.

- A student not living in a school's zone may apply to the zoned program of that school. However, that student will not have priority for admission.
- If you are not interested in your zoned program you do not have to list it as one of your choices.
- Excluding your zoned choice will not give you higher priority to other programs and is the only guaranteed Round 1 match.

Screened Programs:

Susan Wagner, Tottenville and New Dorp will not have a test. They will base acceptance on the criteria listed for the screened program. Curtis High School will have a test in January (date to be announced). All students who have applied to the International Baccalaureate Program will be invited by mail from Curtis High School to take the test. Students must place 19C on their application in order to be invited to take the exam.

Limited Unscreened:

These programs give priority to students who demonstrate an interest in the school by attending a school information session or open house. You must sign in and remain for the entire session at these events to receive to receive priority. (Ex.: C.S.I High School and McGowan High School)

Educational Option Programs (Ed. Opt.):

These programs are meant to serve a wide range of academic performers. Each program has a certain proportion of seats based on scores attained on the seventh grade ELA reading exam for students from high, middle, and low reading levels.

Results:

- In early March, all students who completed an application will find out their results of Round 1.
- Students who do not receive a match to one of the choices made on their high school application will be entered into Round 2. Results to this round are expected in late April.