

Introduction to High School Admissions



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We will talk about...

- High School Admissions Overview and Timeline
- The Specialized High Schools
- The High School Directory and Admissions Guide
- Exploring Schools and Programs
- Creating an Account Online
- Welcome Letters
- Next Steps for Summer and Fall

English Language Learners (ELL)

- Students who are English Language Learners may apply to any high school in New York City.
- All high schools must provide ELL services for students.
- There are three different ELL service delivery models offered in NYC public high schools.
- ELL students are eligible for supports and accommodations on admissions-related tests and auditions.



There are programs designed to serve students who are learning English. These programs admit students according to home language, years in the country, or English proficiency.

Students with Disabilities (SWD)

- Students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) may apply to any high school program in New York City; all high schools must provide services for students.
- On each school page, you can find each program's SWD seat availability last year, and each school's accessibility category.
- For High School Admissions, seats at each high school program are divided into two

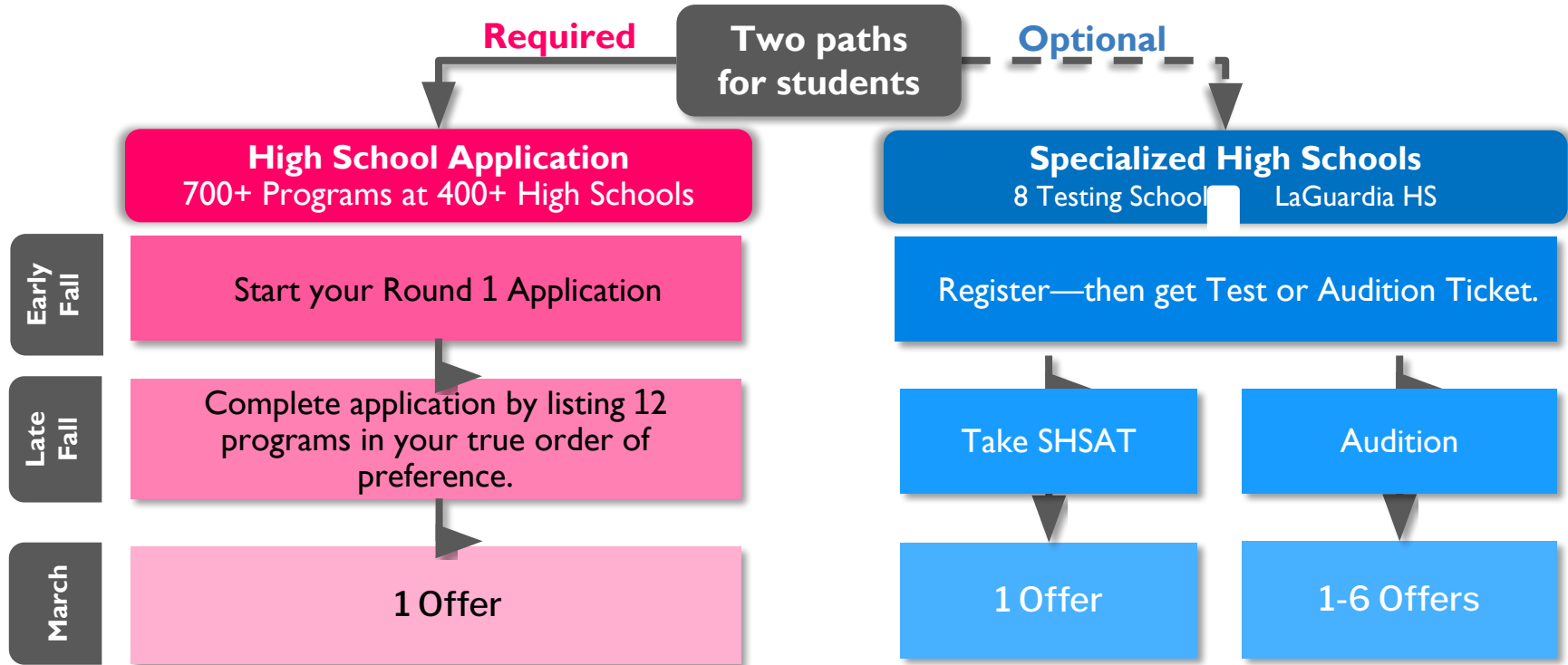
General Education (GE) seats

- For students who receive general education instructional programming
- For students who receive special education instructional programming for **20% or less** of their academic program as indicated on their current IEP.

Students with Disabilities (SWD) seats

- For students who receive special education instructional programming for **more than 20%** of their academic program as indicated on their current IEP.

How do I participate in High School Admissions?



What are the Specialized High Schools (SHS)?

There are eight testing SHS — apply by taking the Specialized High Schools Admissions Test (SHSAT).

- Bronx**
 - The Bronx High School of Science
 - High School of American Studies at Lehman College
- Brooklyn**
 - The Brooklyn Latin School
 - Brooklyn Technical High School
- Manhattan**
 - Stuyvesant High School
 - High School for Mathematics, Science and Engineering at the City College of NY
- Queens**
 - Queens High School for the Sciences at York College
- Staten Island**
 - Staten Island Technical High School

There is one audition SHS — apply to dance, instrumental music, fine arts, drama, technical theater, or vocal music by auditioning or submitting a portfolio.

- Manhattan**
 - Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts (LaGuardia High School)

Prepare for the SHSAT

- Read the Specialized High Schools Student Handbook
 - Take SHSAT practice tests
 - Test dates and locations on pages 4 – 5.
- Get to know the Specialized High Schools
- Plan your time:
 - Test is 180 minutes—no breaks.
 - Students with an extended time accommodation: test is 360 minutes—two 15-minute breaks.
- Put final answers on the answer sheet, not the test booklet.
- Put your school preference order on your test ticket and answer sheet. The choices you put on the answer sheet are FINAL.

Prepare for LaGuardia High School Auditions

- Practice! Auditions are different for each studio:
 - Specialized High Schools Student Handbook
 - **LaGuardiaHS.org**
- Review audition dates and times.
- English Language Learners and students with an IEP or 504 Plan: Work with your school counselor to review accommodations.
- On audition day: bring a snack and water.

What happens after I audition for LaGuardia?

LaGuardia staff evaluates each student who auditions

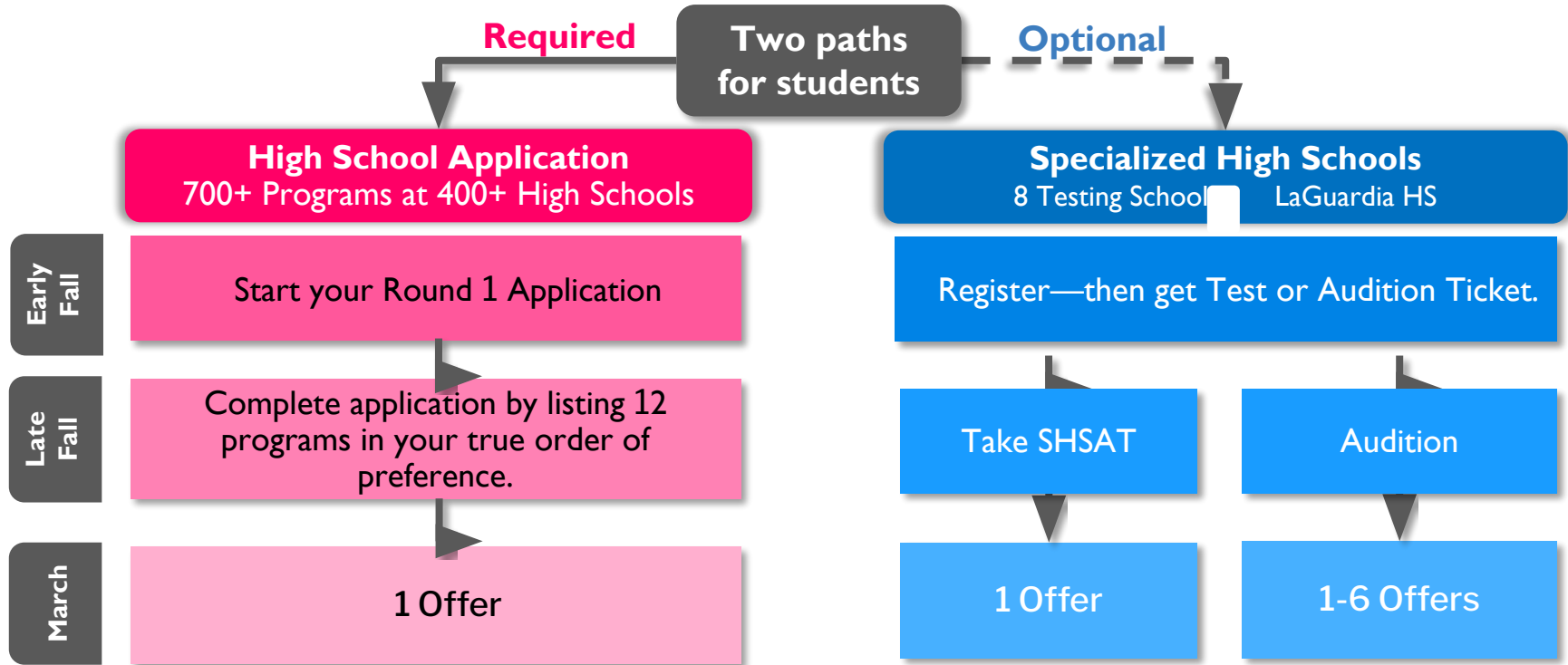
- Audition (based on the studio)
- School record (course grades and state test scores)
- Written response (completed during the audition)

What happens after I take the test?

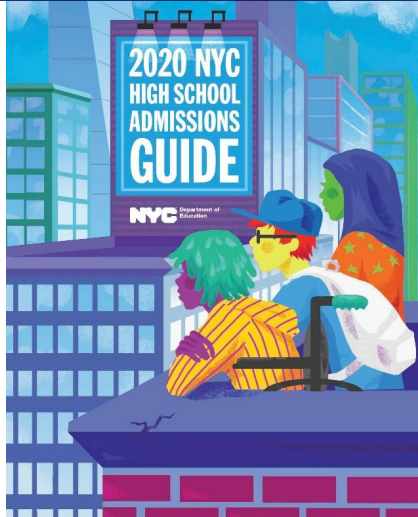
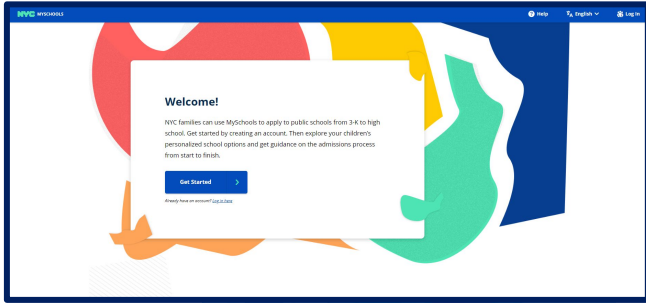
SHSAT answer sheets are scored.

- Offers are determined by:
 - Student's SHSAT score
 - Student's preference order of schools on the answer sheet
 - Seat availability
- Testing Specialized High Schools DO NOT review students' state test scores, grades, or attendance.
- Watch the video to learn more: **schools.nyc.gov/High**

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Round 1 Application – Explore Schools and Programs



- Learn about more than 700 programs at over 400 schools.

- Explore programs online in **MySchools (MySchools.nyc)**.

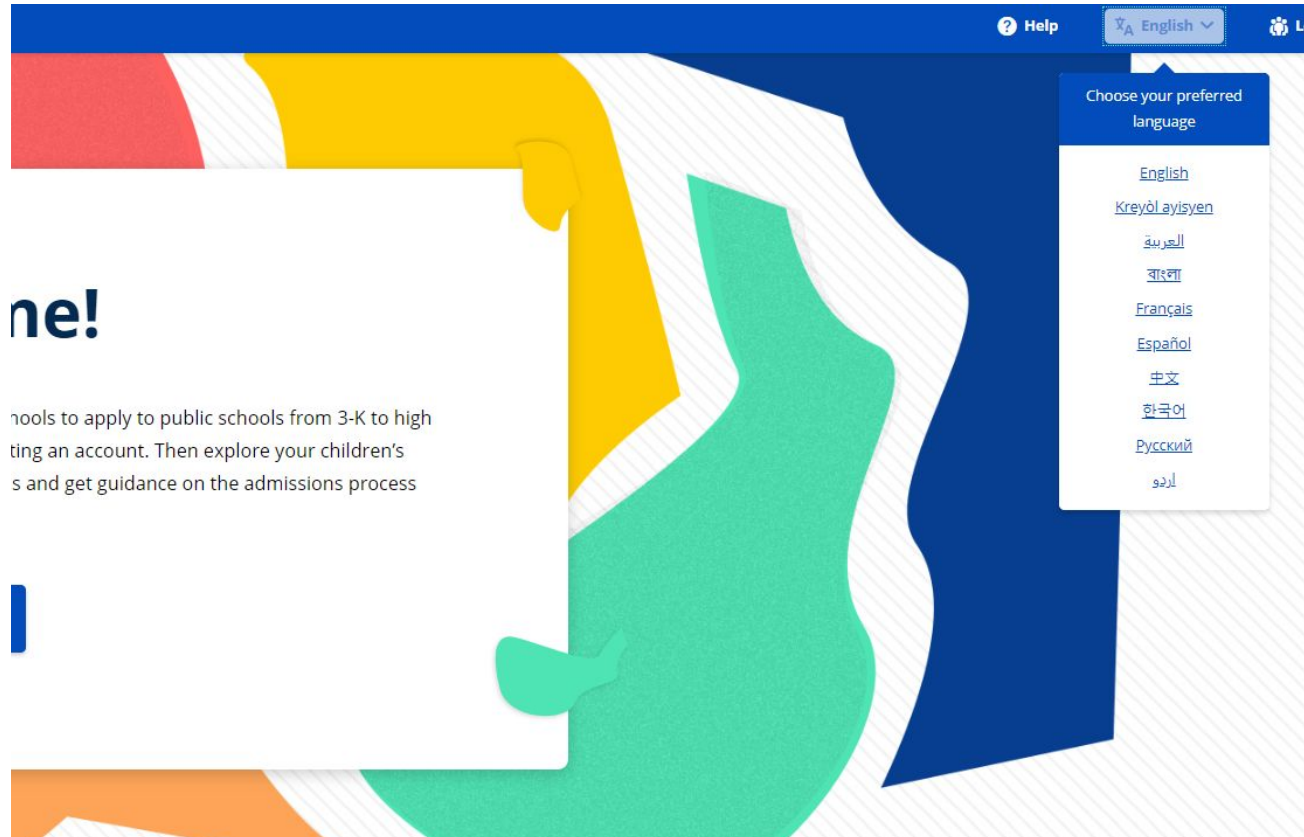
- Use the printed **2020 NYC High School Admissions Guide** for information about the application process and high school programs.

- Choose 20 – 30 programs that interest you.

- Narrow your list down to 12 program choices. Don't list the Specialized High Schools on your application.

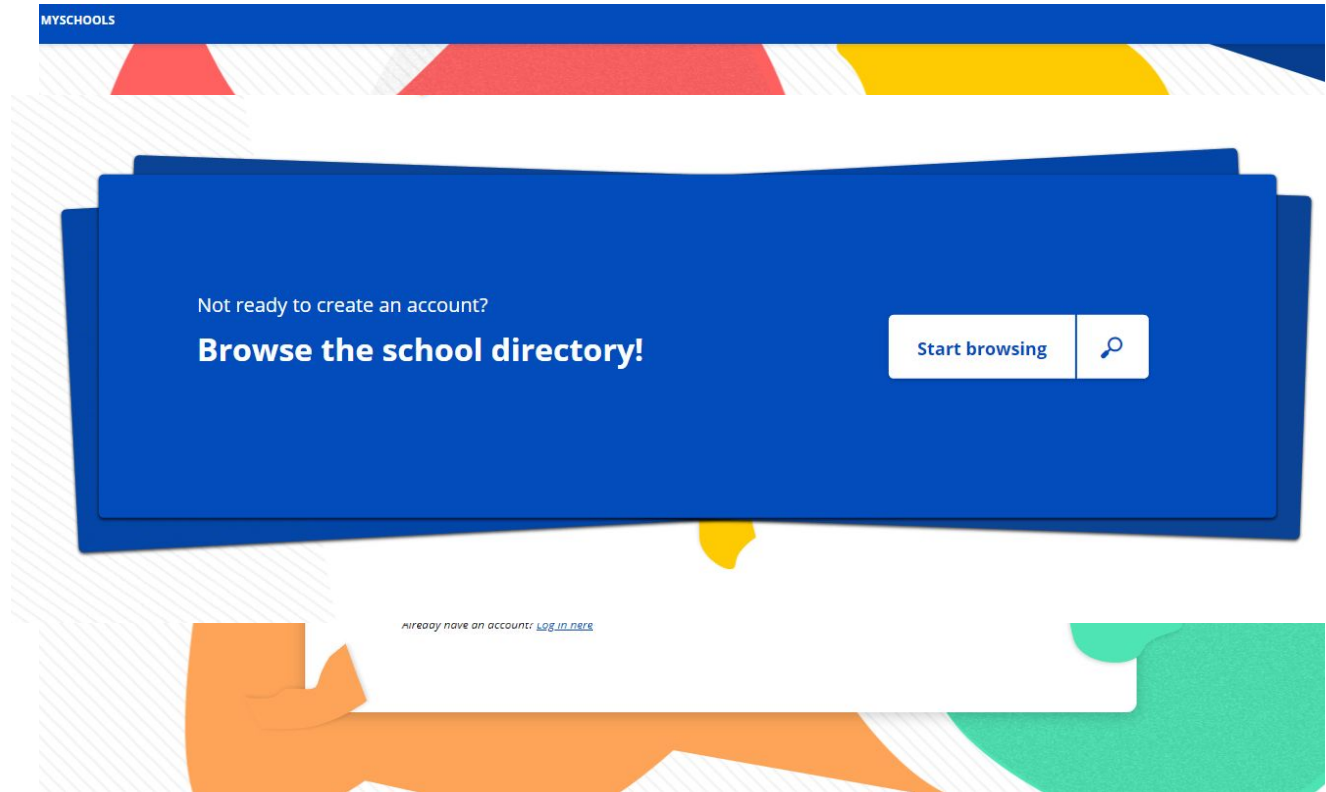
Explore Schools and Programs in MySchools

- **MySchools** is the online high school directory and application
- Go to **myschools.nyc**
- Families can choose their preferred language.



Explore Schools and Programs in MySchools

- To view the searchable, online directory, go to **myschools.nyc** and scroll all the way to the bottom
- Click on “Start Browsing”



Explore Schools and Programs in MySchools

- Use the search box.
- Enter your child's address to see schools near home.

The screenshot displays the NYC MySchools website interface. At the top, the logo "NYC MYSCHOOLS" is visible. Below it, there is a search bar with a home icon and a text input field containing "Your Child's Address". A search button with a magnifying glass icon is to the right of the search bar. Below the search bar, there are several filter buttons: "Subway", "Size", "Sports", and "More Filters". The main content area shows two school results. The first result is "47" The American Sign Language and English Secondary School, with a location pin icon and a distance of "9 to 12" miles. Below this result, there is a star icon and the text "American Sign Language Studies Program". The second result is Abraham Lincoln High School, also with a location pin icon and a distance of "9 to 12" miles. Below this result, there are two star icons and the text "Computer Science" and "Digital Media". To the right of the search results is a map of the New York City area, showing various neighborhoods and schools marked with blue location pins. The map includes labels for areas like Paterson, Clifton, Passaic, Newark, and New York. The number "15" is visible in the bottom right corner of the map area.

Narrow your search

- **Subway**
- **Size**
- **Sports**
- **More Filters**

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Learn about Schools

Click the name of a school to read more about it.

Location

Size and Schedule

School Performance

Academics

Activities

Other features

Accessibility

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Franklin Delano Roosevelt High School ^

🚗 1.4 Miles 📍 9 to 12

📍 [5800 20 Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, 11204](#)

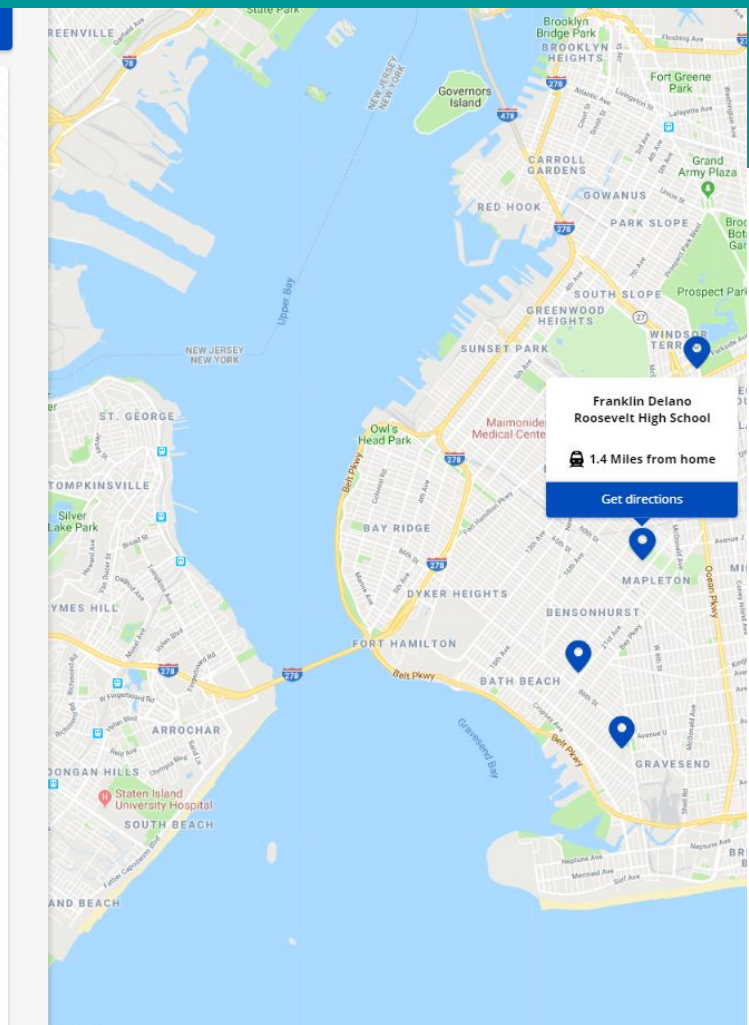
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✉️ MKatz10@schools.nyc.gov	🚌 Bus B11, B6, B8, B9
☎️ 718-621-8800	

🏠 9 to 12
🏠 3061
🕒 8:50am - 3:26pm

Overview

Democracy cannot succeed unless those who express their choice are prepared to choose wisely. "The real safeguard of democracy, therefore, is education." -Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Our vision is to provide the best education and preparation for college and career to every student who walks into our building. We do this by supporting all learners, both academically and emotionally, while providing access to a wide variety of coursework and educational experiences. The FDR learning community celebrates the diversity within our family and works together to graduate young adults who will continue to serve the greater community. FDR High School: Brooklyn's Bridge To Your Future.

- + Performance
- + Academics
- + Activities
- + Other Features
- + Accessibility



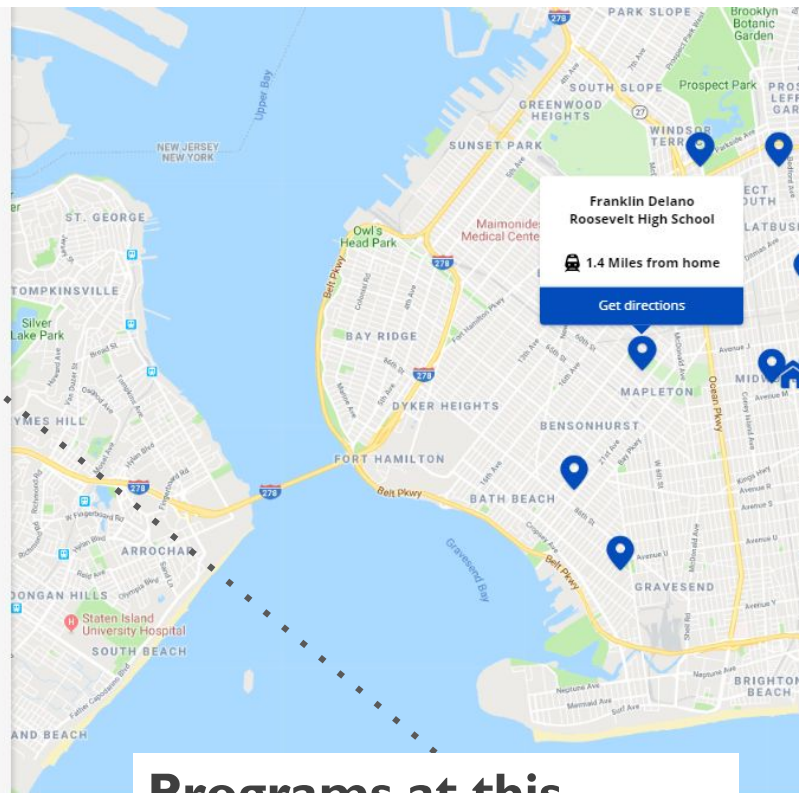
Types of Schools to Consider

- Performing and Visual Arts
- Career and Technical Education
- Schools for newly-arrived students who are learning English
- Performance Assessment Schools
- Early College
- Schools with grades 9 – 14
- Community Schools

Learn about Programs

- Like “doorways” to get into the school.
- List programs on the high school application.

☆	Dual Language Chinese
☆	FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL ACES 15:1 PROGRAM
☆	STEAM-Environmental Studies
☆	STEAM-Multimedia Design
☆	STEAM-Performing Arts
☆	STEAM -Robotics/Programming
☆	STEAM-Science Research
☆	Technical Theater
☆	Zoned



Programs at this school

Learn More about Programs

Program name
and description

STEAM-Environmental Studies

Program Code: K16C

This is an interdisciplinary program for students interested in understanding the natural and urban environment and environmental ethics through hands-on and project-based learning. Students will develop analytical and process skills that will prepare them for college and a career in environmental science and emerging green industries. In addition, students will explore the real-world use of hydroponics and the importance of green living. This culminates in a Capstone Project for Seniors.



+ Eligibility Description

+ ADMISSIONS METHOD
Ed. Opt.

+ Additional Information



Program Factors that Affect Your Chances of Getting an Offer

Example program:



ADMISSIONS METHOD

Ed. Opt.

Seats are reserved by ELA category (16% Low, 68% Mid, 16% High)

50% of offers to students ranked by school, 50% of offers are random

PRIORITY GROUPS

1. Priority to Brooklyn students or residents (97% of offers went to this group)
2. Then to New York City residents (3% of offers went to this group)

DEMAND LAST YEAR

General Education

4 Applications Per Seat
89 Seats
362 Applicants
Not All Seats Filled

Students With Disabilities

4 Applications Per Seat
19 Seats
71 Applicants
Not All Seats Filled

Demand last year: More applicants per seat means a lower chance of getting an offer.



Program Factor: Admissions Methods

Shows what a student needs to do to be considered for admissions.

Programs that *do not* see an applicant's school record:

- Open
- Screened for language
- Zoned
- Test (SHSAT)

Program that *do* see an applicant's school record:

- Screened
- Audition
- Educational Option (Ed. Opt.)

Programs with Screened and Audition Admissions Methods

School staff evaluate and rank applicants for admission.

Selection Criteria show the information used to evaluate applicants for admission.

The **ranges** show how a student compares to other applicants.

Audition programs: link to see audition dates starting in September.

Example:

SELECTION CRITERIA

As a screened program the school also considers factors:

- Course Grades: Average (90-100)
- Standardized Test Scores:
Average (3.3-4.5)
- Portfolio of Student Work

What makes a **balanced** application?

12 programs

Not just high-demand programs

Mix of admissions methods

Your child is in the first priority group for some programs

*Only apply to programs that you **want** your child to attend*

Program Choices on the Application

98% of students who listed 12 programs received an offer to a choice on their application.

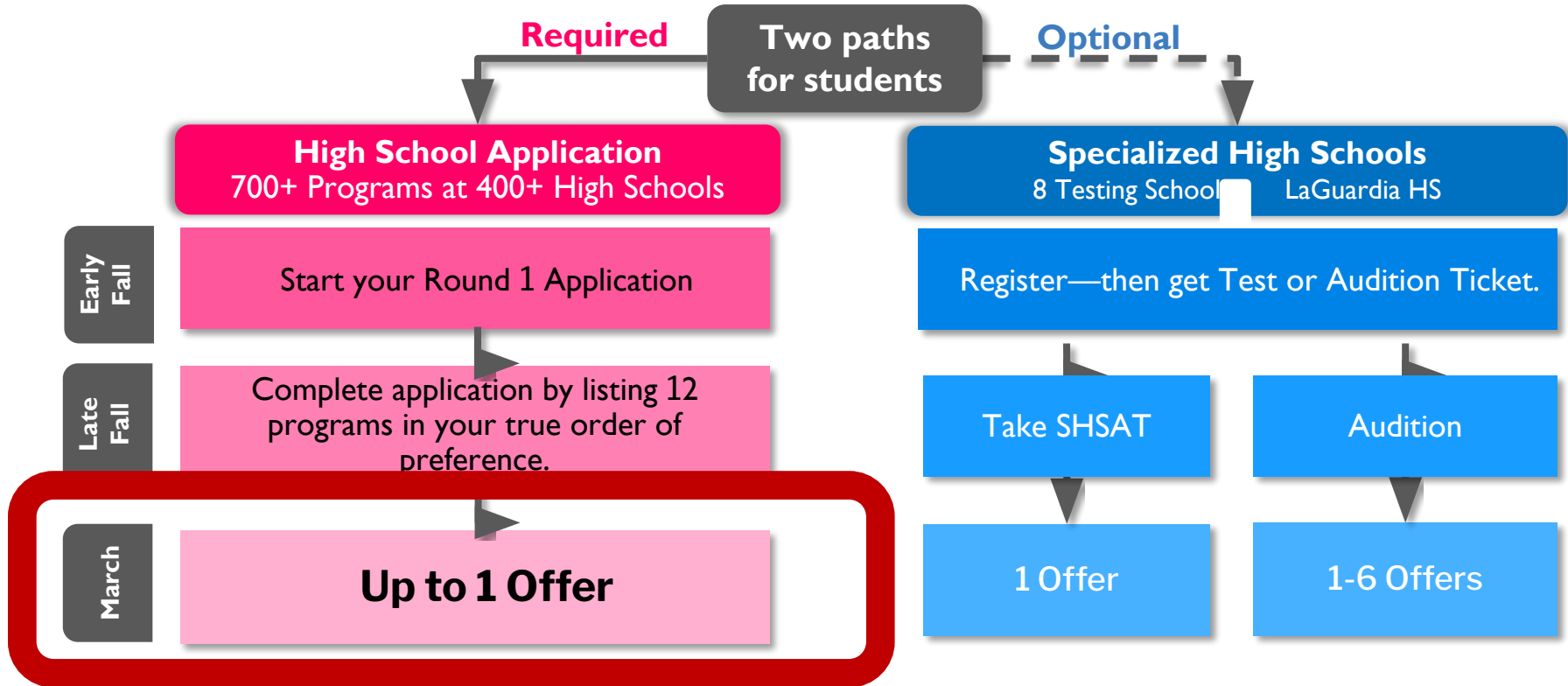
- Listing 12 programs means you will have a better chance of getting an offer from one of your choices.

Program Choices on the Application

List programs in your **true order of preference**, starting with your top choice.

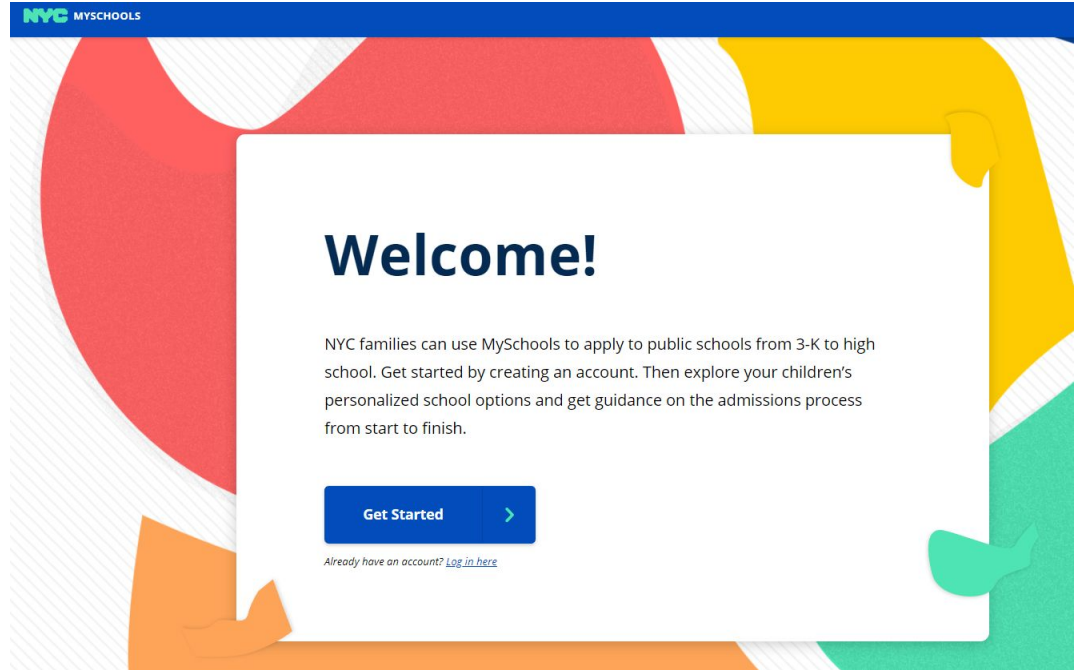
- **High schools cannot see the order of programs on your child's application.**
- Students are considered for offers in the order of the programs on their application.
- If you don't get into your first choice, then you are considered for the next choice. It's as though the next choice is your new first choice.

Getting an Offer



Create an Account in **MySchools**

- Go to **MySchools.nyc**
- Click on **Get Started**



Create an Account in MySchools

- **Name**
- **Email address**
- Choose your MySchools **password**.
- Click **Next**



Let's get started by setting up your MySchools account. It won't take long.

Create your account:

This will be your login (or username)

Must be at least 8 characters.

Next



Already did this? [Log in here.](#)

Create an Account in MySchools

NYC MySchools Account Verification  Inbox x



myschools@myschools.nyc

to me ▾

7:13 PM (0 minutes ago)



Thank you for registering for an NYC MySchools account. You may now log in by clicking this link or copying and pasting it into your browser: <http://www.myschools.nyc/en/account/verification/?token=wpllwphZwpRy%3A1hSrTO%3ARczmKC18qwpuHwnhpoaYdsf2C7g>

 Reply

 Forward

Create an Account

- **Phone number**
- **Mailing address in NYC**
- **Preferred language**
- **Click Submit**

Welcome, Test!

We have just a few more questions. All fields are required unless marked as optional.

1 Test Test
sjdaunt@gmail.com

2 Contact Info

What is the best phone number where we can reach you?

(555) 555-5555

Secondary phone number:

(555) 555-5555 (optional)

3 Mailing Address

I am in temporary housing.*

Where do you receive mail?

Create an Account in MySchools

Dashboard

To get started on applications, add your children below.

Helpful hint: Add all your children before submitting any applications, even if they're not applying to school this year or attend a non-public school. Many NYC schools give an admissions priority to siblings.

Add your child
starting in
September.


Add a child

Your Key Dates

Once you add a child to your account, upcoming dates will appear here.

Welcome Letters—September

- Sent to your home address in September.
- Private or parochial school students—visit a Family Welcome Center.
- Your **Welcome Letter** has:
 - Account creation code
 - Instructions for getting started in MySchools

Next Steps: Spring and Summer

Explore Schools and Programs

- Explore schools and programs in **MySchools (MySchools.nyc)**.
- Find 20 – 30 programs that interest you.

Attend Events

- High School Events Calendar | schools.nyc.gov/High
- Family Workshops:
 - Bronx on June 18**
 - Brooklyn on June 12**
 - Manhattan on June 5**
 - Queens on June 20**
 - Staten Island on June 20**

Next Steps: Early Fall

Start Your Child's Application

- Create an account in **MySchools (MySchools.nyc)** and add your child. You will receive instructions in the mail and from your school counselor.
- Register for the SHSAT and/or LaGuardia auditions in **MySchools (MySchools.nyc)**.

Attend Events

- High School Events Calendar | schools.nyc.gov/High
- High School Fairs:
 - **September 21 and 22** in each borough
 - **October 5 and 6** in each borough, except Staten Island
- Visit schools
- Attend any auditions or program-specific assessments

Next Steps: Late Fall

- Take the SHSAT and/or audition for LaGuardia High School (optional)
- Complete any auditions or program-specific assessments for any programs your child will be applying to.
- Submit your child's high school application in **MySchools (MySchools.nyc) by December 2**

Resources

High School events calendar, videos, and more | schools.nyc.gov/High

MySchools directory and application | MySchools.nyc

High School Admissions Email List | schools.nyc.gov/Connect

Call the Office of Student Enrollment | **718-935-2009**

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