

High School Application  
**Due Monday December 2, 2024**

# MySchools Account

- ▶ Families must create a MySchools account with a code provided in the welcome letter from enrollment.
- ▶ Families may have already created an account when applying to middle school. (If you already have an account you can use the same account for the high school application)
- ▶ Families can create a MySchools account here:  
<https://www.myschools.nyc/en/>
- ▶ How to create a MySchools account video here:  
<https://vimeo.com/488986238>
- ▶ If you do not have a code email [Kfinegan@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:Kfinegan@schools.nyc.gov) or [Vreinhardt2@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:Vreinhardt2@schools.nyc.gov) with students name.

# Video Series

- ▶ MySchools Tutorial: <https://vimeo.com/500080605>
- ▶ Getting Started Part I: <https://vimeo.com/499265398>
- ▶ Getting Started Part II: <https://vimeo.com/499265866>
- ▶ Exploring High Schools: <https://vimeo.com/489822326>
- ▶ Applying to High School: <https://vimeo.com/431549435>
- ▶ Learn About the Specialized High Schools: <https://vimeo.com/470267858>
- ▶ How to Participate in SHS Admissions: <https://vimeo.com/470268009>
- ▶ How to Get Started with SHS Admissions: <https://vimeo.com/470268156>

# 3 Pathways to High School

- ▶ 1. The Specialized High School (SHS) Application is currently open and due on **Tuesday October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.**
- ▶ 2. The High School Application is currently open and due on **Monday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.**
- ▶ 3. LaGuardia High School Application is currently open and due on **Monday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.**

# Specialized High Schools: Require Specialized High School Admissions Test (SHSAT)

Testing: Admission is based on your Specialized High School Admissions Test (SHSAT) score

Score levels are specific to each school ex: score 420 may get you into The Brooklyn Latin High School but may not get you into another school

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

# How to apply to Specialized High Schools:

- ▶ Families **must** register for the SHSAT on their MySchools account:  
<https://www.myschools.nyc/en/>
- ▶ Families can add up to 8 testing schools under the open Specialized High School Application.
- ▶ List the preference order for up to 8 of the testing Specialized High Schools.
- ▶ Only apply to schools that you want your child to attend. Results up to 1 offer.
- ▶ If you wish to apply to other schools that are not listed on the previous slide you will be able to do so on the High School Application.

# Testing Accommodations on SHSAT

- ▶ Students who receive accommodations on their assessments in school.
- ▶ Testing accommodations on Individualized Education Plan (IEP), 504 Plan, or English Language Learner (ELL).
- ▶ After registration receipt will show accommodations on file if any are missing or incorrect families **MUST** tell their current school counselor immediately.

# Administration of SHSAT

- ▶ SHSAT test will be administered on **Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024** at 8<sup>th</sup> grade students current middle school.
- ▶ More information can be found: [www.schools.nyc.gov/shs](http://www.schools.nyc.gov/shs)



# How to apply to High Schools:

- ▶ Families must apply to High Schools through their MySchools account: <https://www.myschools.nyc/en/>
- ▶ Students will apply to programs in the High Schools they are interested in attending
- ▶ There are 700 programs available.
- ▶ Families can add up to 12 programs to the student's High School Application.
- ▶ The 12 programs should be ordered in the preference the student has for the program. *For example: Most desired program should be listed 1st*
- ▶ Only apply to schools that you want your child to attend. Results up to 1 offer.
- ▶ Students will be put on a waitlist for any program listed above the students matched program choice. *For example, a student that matches with their 3<sup>rd</sup> choice program will be put on the waitlists for the programs the student put for their 1st and 2nd choices.*

# Additional Application Choices

- ▶ A complete high school application lists twelve high school programs
- ▶ This year, if there are additional programs students are interested in, they may add them to their application as a thirteenth choice, fourteenth choice, and so on.
- ▶ There is no limit to how many programs students can list!
- ▶ Please note: students DO NOT need to add additional programs, this is only an option if helpful.

# English Language Learners (ELL)

- ▶ English Language Learners can apply to any high school in New York City.
- ▶ All high schools must provide services for students learning English.

Some high school programs are designed specifically for students who are learning English or new to this country.

# 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 with an IEP

In high school admissions, students are considered for offers in two seat groups:

1. Students with Disabilities (SWD)
2. General Education Students (GE)

# Students with Accessibility Needs

- ▶ Learn about a school's accessibility:
  - ▶ By visiting or contacting the High School directly
  - ▶ Online in MySchools: <https://www.myschools.nyc/en/>

# Priority Groups:

Priority Groups on MySchools program page:

- ▶ Priority groups list which groups of students have preference for consideration for offers, and in what order.
- ▶ Priority groups will change for different programs at different schools.
- ▶ Many programs do not have priority groups.

# Diversity in Admissions

- ▶ More than 20 high schools have a Diversity in Admissions (DIA)
- ▶ Details: [schools.nyc.gov/DiversityAdmissions](https://schools.nyc.gov/DiversityAdmissions)
- ▶ You can find schools with DIA initiatives using the online high school directory in MySchools <https://www.myschools.nyc/en/>

## Which Students Get Priority to DIA Programs?

- ▶ Most DIA initiatives prioritize low-income applicants for admissions.
- ▶ All students get free lunch at NYC public schools, **but NOT ALL students are low income.**
- ▶ Students whose family income level is below the federal “free lunch” threshold receive admissions priority for any DIA program that gives
  - ▶ Priority to applicants eligible for Free or Reduced Price Lunch (based on family income) **OR**
  - ▶ Priority to applicants eligible for Free Lunch (based on family income).

Students whose family income level is below the federal “reduced price lunch” threshold but above the federal “free lunch” threshold receive admissions priority for any DIA program that gives priority to applicants eligible for Free or Reduced Price Lunch (based on family income).

# Diversity in Admissions

- ▶ Families must report their income to get admissions priority for DIA programs that prioritize low-income applicants.
- ▶ Families whose income is below one of the federal income thresholds, but do not report their income to School Food, will not get admissions priority to the corresponding DIA programs.
- ▶ Families report their income by submitting the Family Income Inquiry Form at <https://www.myschoolapps.com/>
- ▶ This year, families have the option to give consent on MySchools.com to their information being used to provide a personalized directory to understand their chances of receiving an offer.



# Admissions Methods

Each program uses **one** of these admissions methods:

- ▶ Audition
- ▶ Educational Option (Ed. Opt)
- ▶ Open
- ▶ Screened
- ▶ Zoned

# Audition Admissions Method

- ▶ List the program(s) on your high school application in MySchools.
- ▶ 25 programs use audition as their selection criteria (includes LaGuardia HS)
- ▶ Common audition components are listed:  
<https://www.schools.nyc.gov/HSauditions>
- ▶ Submit your audition files through “Additional Materials” section in MySchools.

# LaGuardia High School Application

## Register for LaGuardia Audition

- ▶ Families can register in MySchools: [www.myschools.nyc](http://www.myschools.nyc)
- ▶ Registration deadline for LaGuardia audition is **Monday December 2, 2024**.
- ▶ During registration, families will still indicate which program(s) the student will audition for. There are 6 programs at LaGuardia High School.
- ▶ Learn how to prepare and submit Additional Materials: [www.schools.nyc.gov/HSAuditions](http://www.schools.nyc.gov/HSAuditions)
- ▶ More information about LaGuardia admissions: [www.schools.nyc.gov/SHS](http://www.schools.nyc.gov/SHS)

# Educational Option (Ed. Opt.) Admissions Method

- ▶ Students at a range of academic levels receive offers.
- ▶ Students need to list the program(s) on their application in MySchools.

## Composite score based on:

- ▶ Average course grades from 7<sup>th</sup> grade final grades.

Based on composite score, students are assigned a category (high, middle, low).

## Offers are made by category:

- High: top third of students citywide, one third of offers to each program.
- Middle: middle third of students citywide, one third of offers to each program.
- Low: bottom third of students citywide, one third of offers to each program.

# Screened Admissions Method

## Admission will be based on:

- ▶ Average course grades from 7th grade final grades.
- ▶ Students will be admitted to screened programs in group order, starting with students in group one.
- ▶ Students will see their Screened Admission Group on their MySchools profile.
- ▶ Some programs evaluate additional items such as interviews or portfolios.

## Students need to:

- ▶ List the program on your application in MySchools.
- ▶ Read the selection criteria section in MySchools. If an additional action is needed (such as submitting a portfolio or doing a virtual interview), complete it following the instructions.

# Screened Programs

- ▶ Some screened programs have additional requirements such as interviews or essays.
- ▶ **Additional Requirements:** <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/assessments>

# Screened



- The table below shows the updated average grades needed to fall into the different groups citywide for Fall 2025
  - We will be sending every public middle school principal an email with the average grades that are needed to fall into each group at their school later this week.

To fall into the top __% of applicants citywide...	An applicant needs average core course grades of at least:
Top 15% (Group 1)	94.25
Top 30% (Group 2)	89.75
Top 50% (Group 3)	82.75
Top 70% (Group 4)	76.25
Group 5	All else

\*Students with an average lower than a 90 will not fall into Group 1, even if they are in the top 15% of their DOE public school. This will be the case for students with an average lower than an 80 for group 2, lower than a 75 for group 3, and lower than 65 for group 4.

# Open and Zoned

- ▶ Offers are based on:
- ▶ Preference order as indicated on students' submitted application
- ▶ If more applicants than seats, offers are made using students' pre-determined lottery number
- ▶ For zoned admissions method: students are considered based on where students live or where they go to school
- ▶ If a student has a zoned high school, it will be listed in their Myschools profile



# Multiples

- ▶ What are Multiples? (twins, triplets, etc applying to the same grade level)
- ▶ ***There is no sibling priority in High School Admissions***
- ▶ Families with students that are the same age and have the same parent/guardian connected to their Myschools account, may choose to submit identical applications for both children so they receive an offer to the same program.
- ▶ Parent/guardian's only need to add choices to one application
- ▶ Before submitting the application, they will be asked by MySchools if they want to add the same application choices to the other child's (or children's) application.
- ▶ Families **must** submit identical applications to receive the same offer.
- ▶ Families that include an audition, screened, or screened for language and academics program on their children's identical applications, and only one child ranks high enough to receive an offer to that program, then the child may receive separate offers.

# Admissions Method on your application

- ▶ Each student's application should include programs with a mix of different types of admissions methods.
- ▶ Again, only apply to programs that you want your child to attend.

## How is the predicted chance of receiving an offer to each program calculated?

- ▶ MySchools provides a *probability of admission* for each student and each program. It is based on the number of available seats, a program's admission rules (e.g., priorities), application patterns from last year's admissions process, and each student's individual characteristics. More specifically, MySchools considers all student characteristics that affect a student's chance of receiving an offer, which includes\*:
  - ▶ General Education / Students with Disabilities status
  - ▶ Screened admissions group based on 7th grade course grades
  - ▶ Ed Opt category (low / medium / high)
  - ▶ Diversity in Admissions characteristics
  - ▶ Free and reduced price lunch eligibility (if parent consents)
  - ▶ English Language Learner status
  - ▶ Students in temporary housing
  - ▶ Current school
  - ▶ Zoned school (if the student's address has a zoned school),
  - ▶ Borough of residence
  - ▶ Borough of attendance
  - ▶ Random number




# Offer Chances

MySchools uses the following information about each applicant and each high school program to show the predicted chances of getting an offer:

- A program's admissions priorities (for example, a borough priority)
- The number of seats at each program
- An applicant's screened admissions group and Ed. Opt. group
- An applicant's random number
- Whether an applicant counts towards general education (GE) seats or students with disabilities (SWD) seats

# Offer Chances

When a high school applicant starts their application in MySchools they will be able to see their predicted chance of getting an offer in two places: the search page and the application builder.

-  A "high" icon showing three orange bars means that a student is expected to have a high chance of receiving an offer to this program. Students have a 99% chance of receiving an offer to a program that shows three bars.
-  A "medium" icon showing two orange bars means that the student is expected to have a medium chance of receiving an offer to this program. About half of students will receive an offer to a program that shows two bars.
-  A "low" icon showing just one orange bar means that the student is expected to have a low chance of receiving an offer to this program. Students have a 1% chance of receiving an offer to a program that shows one bar.

# Offer Chances

There are some programs where there is not enough information for MySchools to show the chances of getting an offer.

- An icon with three dots will show for these programs
  - **Audition:** students must submit an audition and are admitted based on their audition score.
  - **Screened with Assessment:** students must complete an assessment, which determines admission.
  - **Language:** Criteria: programs consider students' English Proficiency and/or home language after the application closes.
  - **Transfer** (for over-aged and under-credited students): students are ranked by the school based on a student's grades, age, or credit accumulation after the application closes.
  - **ASD / ACES / D75 inclusion:** students must be deemed eligible to apply by the Special Education Office.

# Offer Chances in MySchools

Overview **Search** Apply BY 09/07

### High School for Law, Advocacy and Community Justice (03M492) ▾

🚶 1.4 Miles 🚗 9 to 12

☆	<a href="#">Early College Preparatory Program (M14B)</a>	
☆	Law, Advocacy and Community Justice High School (M14A)	

### High School of Arts and Technology (03M494) ▾

🚶 1.4 Miles 🚗 9 to 12

☆	Arts & Technology (M12A)	
☆	Digital Media (M12B)	

Your student has a **medium** chance of receiving an offer based on their student characteristics and the offers made last year. [Click here to learn more](#)

**YOUR PRIORITY GROUP**

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# What makes a balanced application?

- ▶ 12 programs you want to attend
- ▶ Not only high-demand programs
- ▶ Programs with a mix of admissions methods
- ▶ Programs where your child is in the first priority group for the program
- ▶ **Only apply to programs that you want your child to attend**

# Why is a balanced application important?

- ▶ It gives you a better chance of getting an offer to a program from your application.
- ▶ 97% who listed 12 programs get an offer from a program on their application.



# Preference Order of Programs

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.
- ▶ **Submit your application in MySchools by Monday December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.**

# High School Application Timeline

After the application opens, families can:

- ▶ Add programs to their “favorites” list.
- ▶ Add programs to the application and arrange the programs in their preferred order.
- ▶ Submit the application.
- ▶ Families may alter their application any time until **December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.**

# High School Admissions Timeline

- ▶ **October 1:** High School Application, LaGuardia Application and SHSAT Registration Opens
- ▶ **October 18:** SHSAT Test Registration Deadline
- ▶ **October 27:** SHSAT Ticket Release
- ▶ **October 30:** SHSAT School Testing
- ▶ **November 16/17:** SHSAT Weekend Testing
- ▶ **December 4:** High School & LaGuardia Application Submission Deadline
- ▶ **December 4:** Additional Materials Deadline
- ▶ **March 6:** High School Offers Released; Waitlists Open

# Resources for Families

- ▶ Admissions information and videos | [www.schools.nyc.gov/High](http://www.schools.nyc.gov/High)
- ▶ Specialized High Schools | [www.schools.nyc.gov/SHS](http://www.schools.nyc.gov/SHS)
- ▶ Auditions | [www.schools.nyc.gov/HSAuditions](http://www.schools.nyc.gov/HSAuditions)
- ▶ MySchools directory, registration, and application | [www.MySchools.nyc](http://www.MySchools.nyc)
- ▶ Open Houses/Event Calendar | <https://www.myschools.nyc/en/calendar/>
- ▶ Sign up for email updates | [www.schools.nyc.gov/SignUp](http://www.schools.nyc.gov/SignUp)
- ▶ Call the Office of Student Enrollment | 718-935-2009
- ▶ Get personalized help | School counselor's: [Kfinegan@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:Kfinegan@schools.nyc.gov) & [Vreinhardt2@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:Vreinhardt2@schools.nyc.gov)

# Check the Roy H. Mann HS Google Classroom

Please check our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Guidance Google Classroom for any updates and virtual open houses:

Code: e3lfljw

Questions or need help applying:

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***Good Luck!***