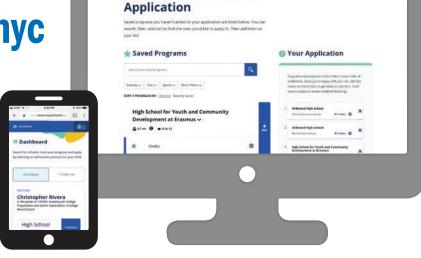




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Use MySchools ( MySchools.nyc) to explore your middle school options, choose programs for your child's application, and apply—all in one place.

# **During the middle school application period, you can also use MySchools to:**

- □ Access your child's middle school application—their school counselor can help with this. Your child's personalized search experience will include as options the specific middle school programs they're eligible to attend.
- □ Explore your child's options and save your favorite schools and programs.
- □ Add up to 12 programs to your child's middle school application. Place them in your true order of preference, with your first choice at the top as #1.
- □ Apply by the deadline, **December 2, 2019**. Be sure to click the "Submit Application" button.

**We're here to help!** If you need support with MySchools or have questions about middle school admissions:

- ☐ Talk to your current school counselor.
- □ Call us at **718-935-2009**.
- □ Visit a Family Welcome Center—locations are listed on the inside back cover of this guide.



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MySchools.nyc) or contacting schools directly.



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Middle school offers students opportunities to explore their interests, discover new subjects, and learn more about themselves. This fall, your child will apply to middle school. Each child's online application is personalized to include all the middle school programs they're eligible to attend as options. You can apply to up to 12 programs.

Use this Admissions Guide and MySchools ( MySchools.nyc) to learn about middle school admissions, discover programs that meet your child's needs and interests, and find out how to build your child's middle school application.

### STAY ENGAGED WITH ADMISSIONS

# Middle School Admissions Website | schools.nyc.gov/Middle

Get the latest updates, resources, and dates for middle school fairs, open houses, and other events.

# Middle School Admissions Email List | schools.nyc.gov/Connect

Sign up for our middle school admissions email list to get admissions tips and key date reminders.

# **EXPLORE MIDDLE SCHOOL OPTIONS AND APPLY**

# MySchools.nyc

MySchools is both an online directory of your child's middle school options and their application. Explore programs, find choices for your child's application, and apply—all in one place. The middle school application deadline is **December 2, 2019**.

### **GET HELP WITH YOUR APPLICATION**

# **Your School Counselor**

Your counselor will guide you through the admissions process, help you build your child's middle school application, and support you as needed with using MySchools.

## Family Welcome Centers | schools.nyc.gov/WelcomeCenters

Visit a Family Welcome Center for support with your application—find locations on the inside back cover.

## **New York City Department of Education** | 718-935-2009

Call us if you have questions about middle school admissions.



# NYC DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Our schools belong to every family and student in New York City. The NYC Department of Education (DOE) is committed to providing for diverse needs, as well as fostering equity and excellence with warmth and inclusion. We are grateful for the dedicated students, teachers, staff, families, and communities who make our schools strong. Our city's young people are the future—here's how we're giving them a running start:

# We are committed to equity and diversity

All NYC public middle schools welcome and support...

- Students who are multilingual/English language learners
- Students with disabilities
- Students with accessibility needs
- Students in temporary housing
- Immigrant students and families
- LGBTQ students and families

In districts across the City, we are working with communities to develop plans that increase diversity in more of our schools. Learn more at **schools.nyc.gov/DiversityAdmissions**.

# We are committed to excellence and accountability

We collect information about our schools' outcomes to help identify each school's strengths and areas for improvement. To learn about any school's performance, visit **schools.nyc.gov/Find-a-School**, enter the school's name into the search bar, and click on the Data and Reports tab to read that school's School Quality Snapshot, School Quality Guide, and other reports.

# We welcome your input and involvement

- If you want to help support your child's current or future school, ask your principal or parent coordinator how you can help.
- Do you have feedback for us about this Middle School Admissions Guide or MySchools ( MySchools.nyc.)? If so, email OSEComms@schools.nyc.gov.

# **WE SERVE** –

# AND WELCOME ALL NYC STUDENTS, INCLUDING

# Multilingual/English Language Learners | schools.nyc.gov/ELL

All NYC public schools provide a range of supports and services for Multilingual/English Language Learners (MLLs/ELLs) to develop their English language skills and prepare them for success in school, college, and careers. Learn more about English as a New Language (ENL), Transitional Bilingual Education (TBE), and Dual Language (DL) service delivery models on our website.



**MySchools Tip:** If you're interested in Dual Language programs, type the term **Dual Language** into the search bar.

# **Students with Disabilities** | schools.nyc.gov/SpecialEducation

Every middle school is expected to welcome and serve students with disabilities in accordance with the recommended programs and services on their Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). All middle school programs admit general education students and students with disabilities. Learn more in **Section 4.2**. Testing accommodations are provided according to students' IEPs or 504 plans—see the end of **Section 4.4**. For students whose IEPs recommend District 75 programs, see **Section 1.3**.

# Students with Accessibility Needs | schools.nyc.gov/BuildingAccessibility

The NYC Department of Education (DOE) is committed to providing students with accessibility needs an offer to a middle school program that allows them to access all relevant programs and services. Schools can be partially or fully accessible, and reasonable accommodations can be requested. For the most up-to-date information about accessibility, check our website and contact schools directly.



**MySchools Tip:** Filter for programs at **✓ Fully Accessible** or **✓ Partially Accessible** schools.

### Students in Temporary Housing | schools.nyc.gov/STH

Students in temporary housing enrolled in a DOE elementary school may apply to middle school programs, even if they move to a temporary residence outside of NYC. They are not required to submit documentation (including address, proof of age, and immunization) in order to participate in an admissions process and accept their offer.

# Immigrant Families | schools.nyc.gov/SupportingImmigrantFamilies

Every child in New York City has a right to a public school education, regardless of immigration status. By law, children may not be asked to present documentation of immigration status, nor can they be denied admission, registration, or enrollment in school based on immigration status. DOE employees will not ask about a family's status, and if they do learn about immigration status, they must keep it confidential. Public schools are at the center of our democracy and remain safe places for all students, families, and educators.

### LGBTQ Students and Families | schools.nyc.gov/LGBT

All of our schools welcome and support lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer or questioning students, families, and staff. You can apply to single-gender programs based on your gender identity, regardless of sex assigned at birth. If you have a transgender child who is interested in a single-gender school, ask their school counselor to assist in the application process.



**MySchools Tip:** Use the search term **GSA** for a list of middle schools with a club that supports LGBTQ students.

# MIDDLE SCHOOL

# **ACTION CHECKLIST**

# SEPTEMBER

- □ Use this Admissions Guide to explore middle school programs. Read **Section 2.2** on eligibility to better understand which schools and programs your child can apply to and why.
- ☐ Meet with your child's school counselor to discuss middle school options.
- □ Plan your admissions calendar for the fall.

# OCTOBER-NOVEMBER

- □ In October, your child's school counselor will help you access their application at **② MySchools.nyc**. Once you're logged in to your account, you can:
  - Explore your child's middle school options—all programs that your child is eligible to apply to will be available as options.
  - Save your favorites by clicking the stars next to programs' names.
  - Start adding programs to your application. You can apply to up to 12 programs—learn how to build your child's application in Section 4.0.
- □ Go to a middle school fair with your child! Check **schools.nyc.gov/Middle** for up-to-date information on locations and times.
- □ Attend open houses—view dates on our open house calendar at **schools.nyc.gov/Middle**. For the most upto-date open house information, contact schools directly.
- □ Work with a counselor at your child's current school to build a list of programs for your child's application. Look at programs' admissions priorities, admissions methods, and any selection criteria to understand what factors schools use for admissions.
- ☐ Think about how your child would commute to each program of interest.

DECEMBER

- □ Submit your middle school application by December 2, 2019!
- □ Apply one of three ways:
  - Online at MySchools.nyc—click "Submit Application"
  - Through your child's school counselor
  - At a Family Welcome Center—find locations on the inside back cover of this guide
- □ On your application, list the programs your child would like to attend in your true order of preference. Place your first choice at the top as #1, your second choice as #2, and so on. Schools will NOT see whether you listed them as your first or twelfth choice.
- □ **For Mark Twain for the Gifted & Talented**: All NYC residents are eligible, and students must take talent tests to apply. You can register your child for the tests online with MySchools—click the Mark Twain tab—or through your school counselor.

# JANUARY-FEBRUARY

- □ **For Screened Programs:** Complete assessments or portfolios if/as required by specific middle school programs in your application.
- □ **For Mark Twain for the Gifted & Talented:** Students taking the talent test will receive their testing appointments in early January.

# **APRIL-MAY**

- □ All applicants will receive a middle school offer letter in **April 2020**. This letter will include your child's offer to a middle school program, as well as information about next steps and appeals. No further action is needed to accept your offer.
- □ Respond to your middle school results by the deadline in **May 2020** if action is required.

# **HOW TO -**

# **USE THIS ADMISSIONS GUIDE AND MYSCHOOLS**

1 Plan for middle school admissions

Use the checklist on the opposite page to plan your fall admissions calendar. Learn about the path to middle school in **Section 1.0** of this guide.

Learn about your child's eligibility

Learn about eligibility for different programs in **Sections 2.2-2.5**. Then identify the programs in **Section 8.0** that your child is eligible to attend. During the application period, log in to MySchools ( MySchools.nyc) for a personalized search experience of all your child's options.

**Tip** | Look up your school district (District 1-32) at **schools.nyc.gov/Find-a-School**.

Explore your child's middle school options

Browse the school listings and maps in **Section 8.0** to start learning about district, boroughwide, and citywide options<sup>1</sup>. During the application period, discover more about schools and programs online in their MySchools pages. Read **Sections 2.0-4.0** to better understand the school information in this guide and in MySchools. Learn about events and open houses in **Section 5.0**.

Tip | Meet with a school counselor to discuss your child's middle school options!

Find out how students get offers

Read **Section 4.0** to learn how students get middle school offers and how to better know your chances of getting an offer to specific programs. Then use **Section 8.0** and MySchools to learn how specific programs admit students.

Tip | Watch videos showing how students get offers at schools.nyc.gov/Middle.

**(5)** Learn how to apply

See **Section 6.0**. You can submit your child's application online with MySchools, through your child's current school counselor, or at a Family Welcome Center. Need help with your child's application or have questions? Ask your child's school counselor, visit a Family Welcome Center, or call us at **718-935-2009**.

<sup>1</sup> Staten Island has only one district (District 31), so **Section 8.0** of the Staten Island Middle School Admissions Guide includes only district and citywide program sections.

# 1.0 KNOW THE PATHS TO MIDDLE SCHOOL

For most students in New York City, the path to DOE public middle school is to submit a middle school application during fifth or sixth grade—learn more in **Section 1.2**. Find out about other middle school options in **Sections 1.3-1.4**.

# 1.1 Who Can Apply?

To apply to middle school, your child must be both a New York City resident AND either a current fifth grade student or a current sixth grade student at an elementary school that ends in sixth grade.<sup>1</sup>

See pages 1-3 to learn how our schools support and serve all NYC students.

If you move to New York City during the school year and need to find a middle school now, or if you miss the application deadline and need to enroll for Fall 2020, visit **schools.nyc.gov/NewStudents** to learn what to do.

### 1.2 Middle School Admissions

In October, access your child's personalized middle school application and submit it online with MySchools ( MySchools.nyc), through their school counselor, or in person at a Family Welcome Center by Monday, December 2, 2019. From your child's middle school options, you can add up to 12 programs to their application. In April, you will get your child's middle school offer letter, which will include a middle school offer. If you choose to not submit a middle school application, you will get an offer to a middle school program with available seats. Learn more in Sections 2.0-5.0.

# 1.3 Admissions for Current District 75 Students

District 75 provides highly specialized instructional support for students with significant challenges, such as Autism Spectrum Disorders, significant cognitive delays, emotional disturbances, sensory impairments, and multiple disabilities. These supports are offered in a wide variety of settings and locations across New York City, including special classes co-located in District 1-32 schools, school buildings where all students have Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), general education classrooms, agencies, hospitals, and at home.

The families of students with disabilities who are recommended for a District 75 program, but who are considering a middle school outside of District 75 should also work with their IEP team to determine whether the recommendation for a District 75 program for middle school is appropriate. If the IEP team, including the family, believe that a District 75 recommended program continues to be appropriate, the District 75 Placement Office will notify the student of their District 75 middle school program placement in May or June.



Tip

Learn more about District 75 programs at **schools.nyc.gov/D75**.

<sup>1</sup> Current fourth grade students who live or go to school in District 3 can apply to the Center School (03M243). Current fourth grade students who live or go to school in Queens can apply to Louis Armstrong Middle School (30Q227). Current sixth grade students can apply to Baccalaureate School for Global Education (30Q580).

# 1.4 Charter Schools

Charter schools are free public schools that are open to all New York City students and that operate independently from the Department of Education (DOE). Instead, charter schools operate under a performance contract, or charter, issued by a New York State authorizer. Charter schools are accountable for meeting specific academic goals. Charter schools have a separate middle school application process. If you would like to apply to middle school at a charter school, please contact that school directly to learn about their enrollment and admissions. Note that some charter middle schools only admit students who attend school at one or more partner charter elementary schools.

Any student eligible for admission to a DOE public school is eligible for admission to a public charter school. For a list of charter middle schools by district, turn to the back of this guide. Visit **schools.nyc.gov/Charters** or call **311** for more general information.

# 2.0 UNDERSTAND YOUR MIDDLE SCHOOL OPTIONS

Once you are logged in to your MySchools account, you will be able to see and explore every middle school program that your child is eligible to include in their application. You can also use the eligibility information in **Section 8.0** of this guide and the explanations in **Sections 2.2-2.5** to learn if your child can apply to specific programs.

In the fall, when your child is ready to apply, you can add up to 12 of these programs to their middle school application. Add the programs that interest you and your child the most. Place them in your true order of preference on the application—this means placing your favorite program at the top as #1, your second choice as #2, and so on. Learn more about choosing programs in **Sections 3.0-4.4**.

# 2.1 Schools and Programs

Applying to middle school really means applying to middle school programs. Think of a program as a doorway into a school. If a school has multiple programs, your child could apply to more than one program at the same school. For instance, a middle school might have a zoned program and a Dual Language program. If your child were zoned for this school (learn more in **Section 2.2**) and eligible for its Dual Language program, you could add both of these programs to your child's application—they would count as two separate choices on the application.

# 2.2 Eligibility

A middle school program's eligibility tells you who can apply to it. If your child meets the program's eligibility description, they can apply to that program.

For instance, if a program's eligibility is "Open to students and residents of Queens," this means that only students who live or attend public elementary schools in Queens can apply. Students who live and attend schools in other boroughs are not eligible to apply to that program.

### In This Admissions Guide Section 8.0 of this guide includes eligibility information about every middle school program in your borough, as well as any middle school programs from other boroughs that are open to all New York City residents. To learn if your child is eligible to attend a specific program, check that program's eligibility in its school listing. In this example, students and residents of Queens are eligible to apply to this program. Grades: 6-8 | Students: 237 | ♂ **City Lane School (I.S. 123)** | 99A123 1738 City Lane, Queens, NY 99999 | 718-555-555 Admissions Programs Offered | Program Code Method Eligibility **Admissions Priorities** (I.S. 123) Spanish Dual Language Students and Priority to students and residents of District 27 Screened: residents of Queens Program | A123S Language 2 Then to students and residents of Queens. Only students who live in this middle school's zone can apply for this program. Grades: 6-8 | Students: 237 | 3 **City Lane School (I.S. 123)** 99A123 1738 City Lane, Queens, NY 99999 | 718-555-5555 Admissions Programs Offered | Program Code Eligibility **Admissions Priorities** Method Open to students Zoned Program | A123Z Zoned residing in the zone

# Online at MySchools.nyc

When you are logged in to MySchools, your application experience is customized for your child's eligibilities. In other words, you can see and explore every middle school program that your child is eligible to apply to; additionally, you'll be able to save favorite programs and add them to your child's application.

This means that if a program's eligibility is "Open to students and residents of Queens," only students who live or attend public elementary schools in Queens will see this program as an option for their MySchools middle school application. Students who live or attend schools in other boroughs will not see or have it as an option.

Learn about specific eligibility requirements by clicking on a program's name on its MySchools page.

Programs in **Section 8.0** of this borough's Admissions Guide are arranged by eligibility type:

District programs<sup>1</sup>

Boroughwide programs

Citywide programs

# 2.3 District Programs | Eligibility: Open to students and residents of the district

Your child can apply to programs that are located in the district where your family is zoned for middle school, or the district where your child attends public elementary school. Sometimes families are zoned for middle school in a different district than where they are zoned for elementary school; in these cases, the middle school's zone determines your child's eligibility.

<sup>1</sup> Staten Island has only one district (District 31), so **Section 8.0** of the Staten Island Middle School Admissions Guide includes only district and citywide program sections.

Some district programs may be open only to students who live or go to school in that district. If a program's eligibility is "Open to students who live in the zone," this means it's open only to applicants who live in the smaller geographic zone around a particular school (rather than the larger district's middle school zone).



### Tip -

There are 32 school districts throughout the five boroughs. Learn which district programs your child is eligible to apply to and learn if they have a zoned school by entering your address at **schools.nyc.gov/Find-a-School** or calling **311**. This information will also be available in your MySchools account.

# 2.4 Boroughwide Programs | Eligibility: Open to students and residents of the borough

These programs are open to students who live and/or go to school in the same borough as the school. *Example:* If your child lives in Queens, they are eligible to apply to boroughwide programs located in Queens.

# 2.5 Citywide Programs | Eligibility: Open to all New York City residents

These programs are open to all students who live in New York City.



### Tip -

When a school has multiple programs that have different eligibilities, that school's listing will appear in all relevant sections of the guide. However, each program will only appear once in this guide, in the section that matches its eligibility. For instance, if a school has both a district program and a boroughwide program, the school listing would appear in both the District Programs and Boroughwide Programs sections, but the district program from that school would appear only in the District Programs section, while the boroughwide program from that school would appear only in the Boroughwide Programs section.

# 2.6 Mark Twain Talent Tests

Mark Twain for the Gifted and Talented (IS 239) is a citywide school that requires applicants to participate in talent testing.

If you're interested in applying, register your child to take tests in two talent areas. During the application period, you can register one of three ways:

- Online with MySchools—select the Mark Twain tab
- Through your child's school counselor
- At a Family Welcome Center

Students taking the talent test will be given appointments in early January.

# 3.0 EXPLORE SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS

As you start learning about your child's middle school options, consider what matters most to your family—this might be location, language offerings, a sports team, or accessibility.

Start exploring schools now in this guide. When the application period opens, you can learn even more about your child's options with MySchools ( MySchools.nyc).

MySchools Tip: MySchools is available to use in 10 languages. Select your language in the drop-down menu on the top right of the page.



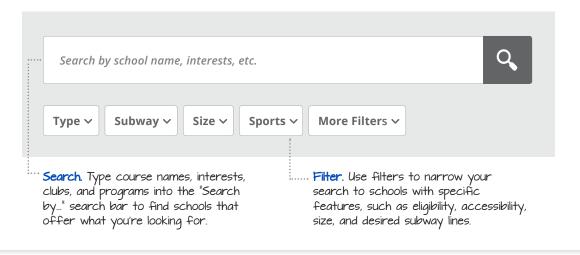
# 3.1 Finding Schools

### In This Admissions Guide

- Even before the application opens, browse district, boroughwide, and citywide middle school programs in **Section 8.0**.
- Look at the district, borough, and city maps to see all district, boroughwide, or citywide programs at a glance.
- Within each section, find middle school listings in DBN (district-borough number) order.
- Learn more about this guide's school and program listings in **Sections 3.2-4.4**.

# Online at MySchools.nyc

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### How to Find...

# Subway ^ Schools on a specific train line **☑** E Which subway lines are convenient for you to use daily? Filter by **Subway** to find options along your train(s) of choice. ПВ \_ D **☑** F Apply 🗸 Reset Size ^ Large, medium-sized, or small schools SIZE Would you thrive in a big or small school? Use the Size filter to search for schools by how many students attend. 0-499 500-999 **1000+** Reset Apply Sports ^ Schools that offer specific sports PSAL SPORTS - GIRLS Use the **Sports** filter to find schools that have teams for specific sports, such as **Basketball** and **Swimming**. Badmitton Basketball Bowling Cross Country Reset More Filters ^ Partially accessible and fully accessible schools BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY Select More Filters to see accessibility options. Filter for schools in ✓ Fully Accessible or ✓ Partially Accessible buildings. Learn more More information about building accessibility can be about accessibility ratings at schools.nyc.gov/BuildingAccessibility. found in the details about each school (if available). ▼ Fully Accessible Partially Accessible Reset More Filters ^ Schools with uniforms UNIFORM Select More Filters to see the uniform option. Filter for schools where Uniform Required students wear uniforms. Reset

# **Schools with Dual Language programs**

Type **Dual Language** or a more specific search term like (**Spanish Dual Language Q** 

### Schools featuring specific courses or activities

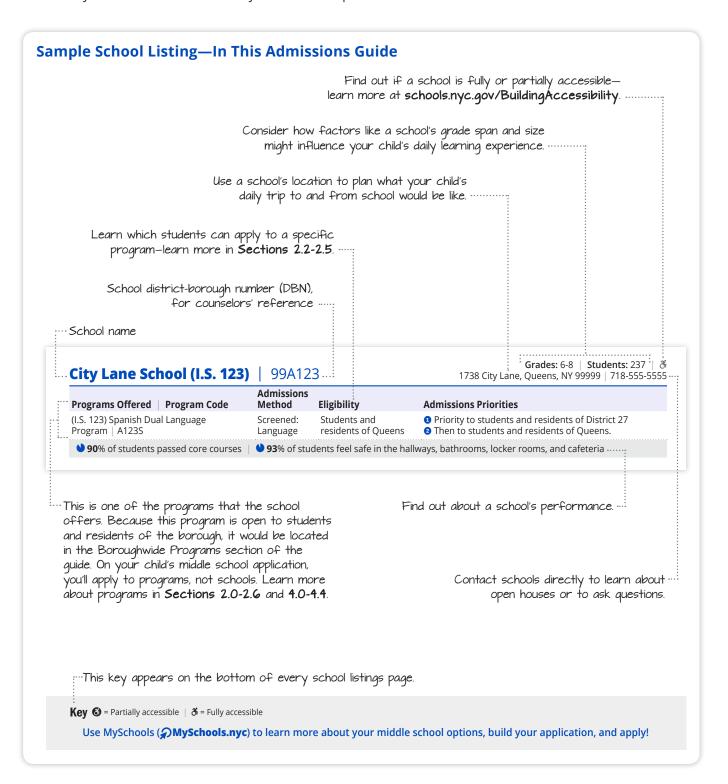
Type what you're looking for—such as **STEM**, **Dance**, or similar—into the search bar.

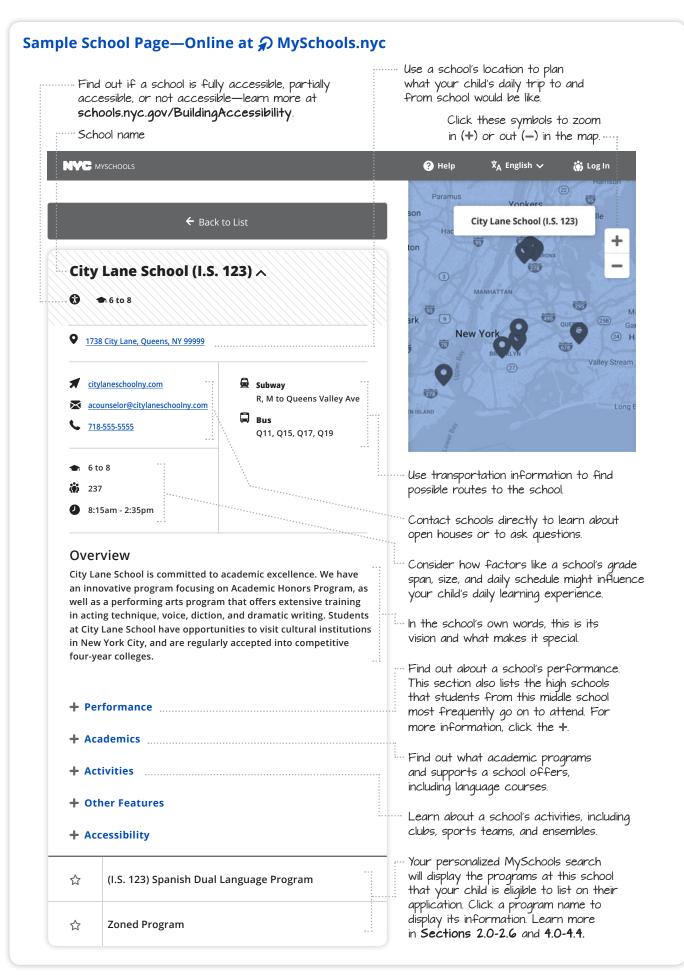
**MySchools Tip:** Get more helpful ideas by reading the MySchools Tips throughout this Admissions Guide.

# 3.2 Understanding School Information

You can start learning about your child's middle school options by reading the brief school listings in this Admissions Guide. When the application period opens, you can view schools' more detailed pages in the MySchools (\*\*) MySchools.nyc\*) directory. The information in a school's listing and MySchools page can help you learn if a school might be a good place for your child. Consider how a school's offerings line up with your child's interests and needs. Are the school's classes and activities ones that your child enjoys, does well at, or would like to explore?

Note that all the information in a school listing or MySchools page may change for the 2020-2021 school year. Contact schools directly for the most up-to-date information.



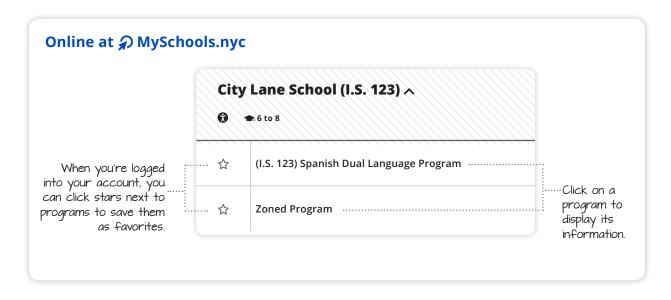


# **School Performance**

If you have questions about school performance, search for a school at **schools.nyc.gov/Find-a-School**, where you can find details on any school's performance in their School Quality Snapshot, School Quality Guide, and other reports.

# **Programs**

This guide's school listings and MySchools' school pages include program information, which can help you find programs that interest your child. Program information can also help you figure out your child's chances of getting an offer to a specific program—learn how in **Sections 4.0-4.4**.





# **Explore a School**

Browse this Admissions Guide and MySchools with your child. From their options (see **Sections 2.2-2.6** for information on eligibility), choose a middle school that they are interested in attending. Fill in each box together with information about that middle school. Note that for some questions, you will need to use MySchools to answer them.

Name of school:
How many students go to this school?
How would my child get to this school from where we live?
What phone number, email address, and/or website can I use to get information on how to visit this school?
What are two academic courses offered by the school that seem interesting?
What are two activities offered by the school that my child would like to try?
If there is more than one program at the school, which program(s) would my child apply to? Why?

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Repeat this same exercise with other schools that interest you.

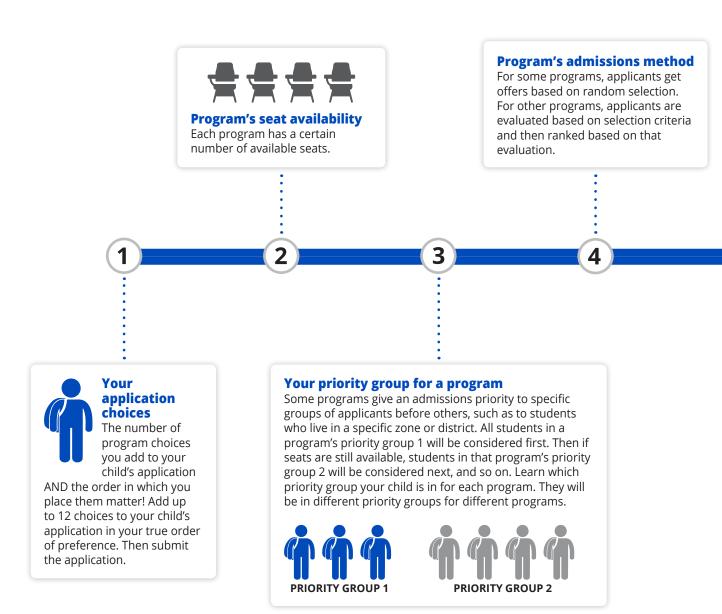
# 4.0 LEARN HOW STUDENTS GET OFFERS

How can you know your chances of getting an offer to a specific program? And how do you increase your chances of getting an offer to a program on your application?

It helps to start by learning how offers are made. Students get offers to programs based on four key factors:

- **1.** Your application choices (see **Section 4.1**)
- 2. Seat availability (see Section 4.2)
- 3. Admissions priorities (see Section 4.3)
- 4. Admissions methods (see Section 4.4)

You can control some of these factors, while others are aspects of the programs themselves. Learning about all of these factors can help you know your chances of getting an offer to each program of interest. The following two pages provide an overview of these factors—read more about them in **Sections 4.1-4.4**.



# **For Programs That Use Random Selection**



For programs that use random selection, students get offers based on their randomly assigned numbers. Programs may use one of two admissions methods that use random selection: open or limited unscreened—learn more in **Section 4.4**.

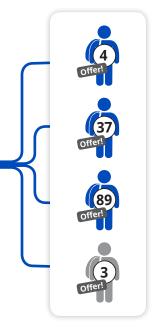
### Let's look at a sample program that uses an open admissions method:

This program has four seats and seven applicants. Because there are more applicants than seats, not all of these applicants will get an offer to this program.

**First...** students in priority group 1 get an offer in numerical order. Since there are three students in priority group 1, all of them get an offer

**Then...** students in priority group 2 get an offer in numerical order. Since there is just one remaining seat after offers were given to students in priority group 1, only one student from priority group 2—the student who is first in numerical order within that group—gets an offer.

Now all seats in this program are filled. Based on their randomly assigned numbers, the remaining students in priority group 2 do not get an offer to this program. These students are then considered for offers at the next program on each of their applications.



# **For Programs That Rank Applicants**



For programs that rank applicants, students are evaluated for admission based on a set of selection criteria, such as grades, test scores, attendance, punctuality, and/or academic and personal behaviors. Programs may use one of the following admissions methods that rank applicants: screened, screened: language, or composite score—learn more in **Section 4.4**.

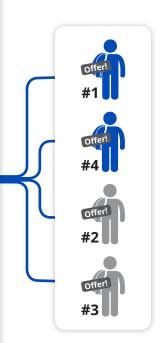
# Let's look at a sample program that uses a screened admissions method to evaluate and rank applicants:

Seven students applied to this program, which has only four available seats. First, the seven students are all evaluated according to the program's selection criteria and admissions rubric. Then they are ranked based on this evaluation.

**First...** students in priority group 1 get an offer in ranking number order. Since there are two applicants in priority group 1, both get an offer.

**Then...** students in priority group 2 get an offer in ranking number order. Since there are two remaining seats after offers were given to students in priority group 1, the students who are first and second in ranking number order from priority group 2 get an offer.

Now all seats for this program are filled. The remaining two students in priority group 2 do not get an offer to this program. These students are then considered for offers at the next program on each of their applications.



# 4.1 Your Application Choices

The most important factor in determining where your child goes to middle school is how you complete their middle school application. When you are logged in to MySchools, you will see as options all the middle school programs that your child is eligible to add to their application.

- 1. From these options, choose up to 12 programs that your child would like to attend. Add these programs to your child's application. Adding more choices increases your chances of getting an offer to one of those choices; it does NOT lower your chance of getting an offer to any of your top choice programs. You have the same chance of getting an offer from your top choice whether you include only that choice or eleven additional choices below it.
- 2. Be sure to place these programs on the application in your true order of preference, with your child's first-choice program at the top as #1, their second-choice program as #2, and so on. This order matters! Your child will be considered for their first-choice program first. If they don't get an offer to their first choice, then they will be considered for their second-choice program as though it were their first choice, and so on. They will get an offer from their highest possible choice considering the other factors discussed in this section.

It's also a good idea to not apply *only* to programs that use screened or composite score admissions methods. Listing only these programs lowers your chance of receiving an offer to a program of your choice.



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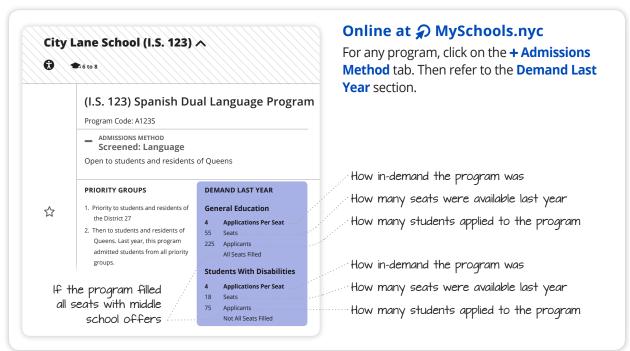
Submitting a middle school application is your best opportunity to get an offer to a school you prefer, so be sure to make thoughtful choices! Place the programs on your application in your true order of preference. Middle schools will not see this order, so they will not know if they are your first or twelfth choice.

# 4.2 Seat Availability

Each middle school has a specific number of seats for sixth grade students.

# Seats and Applicants Per Seat: Demand Last Year

You can find out how many students a program accepted last year (Seats) and how many total students applied for those seats (Applicants) in the Demand Last Year section of MySchools. You can learn how in-demand, or popular, a program was by how many people applied for each available seat (Applicants Per Seat)—a higher number of applicants per seat means higher demand. Note that all numbers are from last year.



## **General Education and Students with Disabilities**

Each program admits general education students and students with disabilities. Your middle school application will show your designation. This is not something you are able to choose or edit.

# **General Education Students**

- For students who do not have IEPs
- For students with IEPs recommending related services only
- For students with IEPs recommending special education instructional programming for 20% or less of their academic program as indicated on their current IEP

# **Students with Disabilities**

 For students who are recommended for special education instructional programming for more than 20% of their academic program as indicated on their current IEP

Special education instructional programming includes Integrated Co-Teaching (ICT) classes, Special Class (SC), and Special Education Teacher Support Services (SETSS). Adapted Physical Education (APE) and related services, such as speech, occupational therapy (OT), and physical therapy (PT), are not considered special education instructional programming for the purposes of middle school admissions.

Please note that students with 504 plans are not entitled to seats for students with disabilities if they do not have an IEP recommending the student also receive special education instructional programming for more than 20% of their academic program.

Every middle school program participating in middle school admissions is expected to welcome and serve students with disabilities in accordance with the recommended programs and services on their Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). The School Implementation Team (SIT) at the middle school will review the IEP to ensure that all services and supports a student is recommended for are provided. In some cases, the IEP team may meet to review the IEP to better meet the student's current needs.

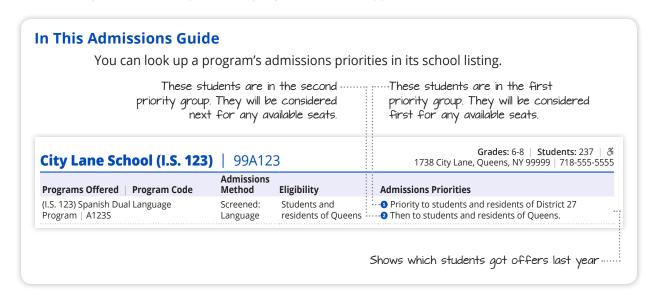
For more information, visit schools.nyc.gov/SpecialEducation.

### 4.3 Admissions Priorities

A program's admissions priorities determine the order in which applicants are considered for offers to each program. If a program has multiple admissions priorities, students are considered in groups.

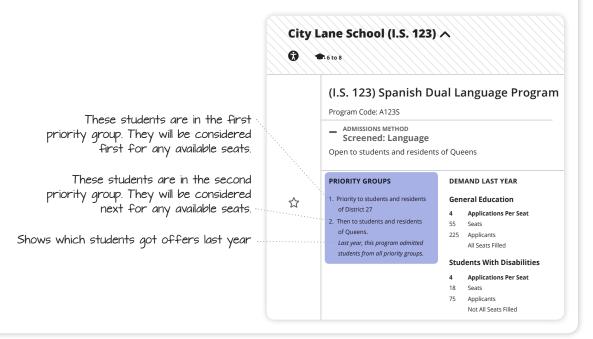
- All students in priority group 1 will be considered first.
- Then, if seats are still available, students in priority group 2 will be considered next, and so on.

Admissions priorities are only used if a program has more applicants than available seats.



# Online at MySchools.nyc

Find a program's admissions priorities on its page in MySchools. Click on the **+ Admissions Method** tab and look for the Priority Groups section, which lists groups in order. Look at the following example:





### Tip -

Consider applying to programs where your child is in priority group 1. Your child will have a better chance of getting an offer to these programs than students in other priority groups. Schools with more than one middle school program may have different admissions priorities for each program.

### **Common Admissions Priorities**

Here are some admissions priorities used to determine offers:

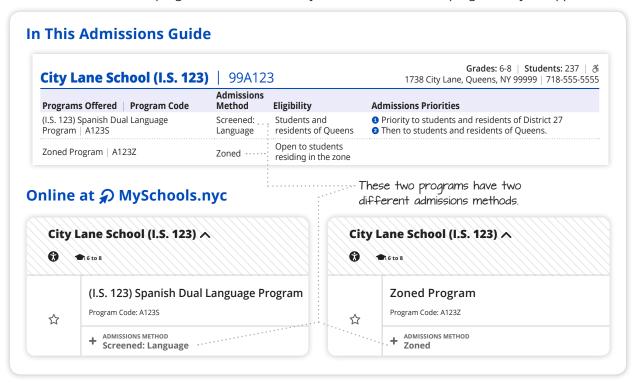
<b>Admissions Priority</b>	y What It Means				
Students who currently attend a school that continues to eighth or tw guaranteed an offer to continue attending a program at that school if Priority to continuing  5th graders  that they placed higher in their applications. You do NOT need to plac continuing school as your first choice program to be guaranteed an or you do have to add it as one of your choices.					
Priority to students and residents of the district	Students may have priority based on the district, borough, or geographic area we they live and/or go to public school. If a student lives and goes to public school is different boroughs or districts, that student has priority in both places.				
Priority to residents of the zone  Students who are zoned to a middle school—or a campus containing middle schools—have priority to attend the zoned program at that so schools. To get this priority, be sure to add your zoned program(s) to middle school application. You do NOT need to rank your zoned school your first choice to get the priority. To find out if you have a zoned school hyschools or enter your address at schools.nyc.gov/Find-a-S					
Priority to applicants eligible for free and reduced lunch (FRL) for up to 50% of seats	This is one example of a diversity-in-admissions priority. In this sample priority, applicants whose families meet a specific income requirement have priority to 50% of seats in this program.				

# **Diversity in Admissions**

Some programs have admissions priorities based on family income, ELL status, or other criteria. Middle schools across the city are participating in an effort to increase diversity in their programs. The current list of schools participating in diversity pilots is available on our website—learn more at **schools.nyc.gov/DiversityAdmissions**. Throughout the admissions process, check MySchools for the most up-to-date admissions priorities.

# 4.4 Admissions Methods

Admissions methods are the ways programs make offers to students. They also describe what you need to do to be considered for a program. In most cases, all you have to do is list the program on your application.



There are two broader types of admissions methods—those that use random selection and those that use ranking to admit applicants.

# **Programs That Use Random Selection**

As part of the middle school admissions process, every applicant is assigned a random number, as in a lottery. Programs with an open admissions method use students' randomly assigned numbers, and may also use admissions priorities, to make offers. When a program has more applicants than seats, students are admitted in order by their randomly assigned numbers. If the program also uses admissions priorities, all applicants from the first priority group for a program are admitted before any students from the second priority group, regardless of their randomly assigned numbers. There are two types of admissions methods that use random selection: **open** and **limited unscreened**—learn more about these admissions methods on the next page.



### Tip

For more information on how offers are made to programs that use randomly assigned numbers, watch our video "How Students Get Offers to New York City Public Schools" at **schools.nyc.gov/Middle**.

# **Programs That Use Ranking**

Students are given offers to these programs based on their previous year's academic record. These programs use either a **screened**, **screened**: **language**, or **composite score** admissions method.

- At screened and screened: language programs, middle school staff evaluate the applicant pool based on their admissions rubric. Some schools may invite students to participate in testing or an interview. Schools then numerically rank applicants, and offers are given to students in descending order of rank.
- At composite score programs, applicants get an automatically calculated composite score that reflects their previous year's academic record. The higher the student's performance, the higher their composite score will be. Offers are then given to applicants in descending order of composite score. A program's selection criteria may include final fourth grade report card grades, standardized test scores, internal assessments, and/or attendance and punctuality to evaluate and rank students.



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For a more detailed look at how offers are made to programs that rank applicants, watch the video "Middle and High School Admissions" at **schools.nyc.gov/Middle**.

# MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMISSIONS METHODS

	What You Need to Do	What Schools See
<b>Open</b>	☐ Just add this program to your child's application.	<b>Biographical information</b> Your child's name, home address, current school,
Limited Unscreened	<ul><li>Demonstrate your child's interest in this school by signing in at an event.</li><li>Add the program to your child's application.</li></ul>	gender, and special education status  For limited unscreened programs, schools will give priority to applicants who demonstrate
Zoned or Continuing	<ul> <li>Learn if you have a zoned or continuing school: Visit schools.nyc.gov/Find-a-School and enter your home address.</li> <li>Add the program to your child's application.</li> </ul>	interest.  For zoned or continuing programs, students in the school's zone have either a guarantee or priority to attend.
Screened	<ul> <li>Complete any additional requirements listed in MySchools.</li> <li>Check this program's selection criteria to see what the school uses in admissions.</li> <li>Contact the school directly to learn how specific programs rank applicants.</li> <li>Discuss with a school counselor how competitive your child's grades and scores are.</li> <li>Add the program to your child's application</li> </ul>	Biographical information Academic record Schools evaluate applicants based on selection criteria that may include final report card grades from fourth grade, standardized test scores, internal assessments, and/or attendance and punctuality. Then they rank students based on that evaluation. Offers are made to ranked students by priority group and in ranking number order.
Screened: Language	<ul> <li>Check that you meet the program's selection criteria, such as home language, language proficiency, years living in the United States, or similar.</li> <li>Add the program to your child's application.</li> </ul>	Biographical information Academic record ELL services entitlement Schools evaluate applicants based on selection criteria. Then they rank students based on that evaluation. Offers are made to ranked students by priority group and in ranking number order.
Composite Score	<ul> <li>Check this program's selection criteria on its school page to see what the school uses to assign composite scores. Also note how different programs weigh different selection criteria.</li> <li>Discuss with a school counselor how competitive your child's grades and scores are.</li> <li>Add the program to your child's application.</li> </ul>	Academic record  Students' composite scores are calculated by assigning points for corresponding components of their academic records, which may include: Final fourth grade report card, New York State ELA Exam score, New York State Math Exam score, attendance, and/or punctuality. Students are then ranked by these scores. Offers are made to students in descending score order.
*For Mark Twain for the Gifted & Talented	<ul> <li>Register your child for the talent tests. You can register online with MySchools—click on the Mark Twain tab—or through a school counselor.</li> <li>Add the programs to your child's application.</li> <li>Your child takes the talent tests.</li> </ul>	Talent test scores only Offers are made to students in talent test score order. Other criteria are not seen or used in admissions.

# **Selection Criteria**

Programs that have a screened, screened: language, or composite score admissions methods use specific selection criteria to make offers.

- For screened or screened language programs: These programs' selection criteria tells you which information their school uses to rank applicants.
- **For composite score programs:** These programs' selection criteria tells you which information is used to create each applicant's composite score.

### In This Admissions Guide

If the program uses a screened, screened: language, or composite score admissions method, check MySchools to learn which selection criteria that program uses in admissions.

# Online at MySchools.nyc

Look up a program's selection criteria on its MySchools page to see which factors that program uses to admit students. Click **+ Admissions Method** to display a program's selection criteria.

The selection criteria for programs with screened or composite score admissions methods will tell you which of the following are used when ranking and scoring applicants:

- Final fourth grade report card
- Fourth grade New York State ELA and Math scores
- Attendance and punctuality from fourth grade
- Academic and personal behaviors, which are:
  - Manages time and consistently demonstrates effort to independently achieve goals
  - Works in an organized manner
  - Persists through challenges to complete a task by trying different strategies
  - Asks for help when needed
  - Respects school rules and works well in the school community

Middle school admissions uses information from fourth grade to evaluate students for admissions. School staff should not ask families to provide extra information in the form of report cards from additional years or separate recommendations from teachers. Academic and personal behaviors are usually included as part of the fourth-grade report card. However, if your child's school does not include them in report cards, ask school staff to provide this information.

# **Testing Accommodations**

If a student's IEP shows testing accommodations, the accommodations (as long as the accommodations do not change the skills or content the test is measuring) will be provided when the student tests or auditions. If you are invited to participate in a test or audition, please be sure to work with your child's elementary school to communicate your child's needs and required supports and share documentation with the middle school as needed. Learn more on our website at **schools.nyc.gov**—select the **Special Education** tab and click on **Testing Accommodations** in the **Supports and Services** menu.

# 5.0 GO TO EVENTS AND VISIT SCHOOLS

Most of the middle school admissions process happens in the fall, between September and December. Using the Action Checklist in the front of this guide as a reference, plan your child's fall admissions schedule. In your calendar, note dates and times of middle school fairs, open houses, school tours, and appointments for programs that require interviews, auditions, or on-site assessments.

### 5.1 Middle School Fairs

Attend a middle school fair this fall! At these events, you can meet with representatives from different schools on the same day, in the same place. The middle school fairs for different districts or boroughs will take place on different dates this fall. Visit **schools.nyc.gov/Middle** for the latest news on when and where a district's middle school fair will be held.

# **5.2** School Visits

Visiting a school is the best way to explore if it would be a good place for your child. It's also a helpful way to test the commute and see how long the trip is from home. Contact schools directly to find out if they have special events or open house listings. Use our website to find a specific school's open house or information session dates—visit **schools.nyc.gov/Middle**.



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When visiting schools, always ask questions. Use the activity that follows as a guide. On sign-in sheets, write your contact information clearly to show interest, and so schools can follow up with your family about events and other information. This is especially important for programs that use a limited unscreened admissions method.

# **ACTIVITY**

# **Ask Questions at Middle School Events**

When you speak with school representatives at a middle school fair or open house, be sure to ask questions. Below are some questions that can help you and your child learn more about schools of interest. What else would you want to ask? Fill in questions of your own for each category.



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Tear out this page and bring it when you and your child visit schools and fairs.

		Your Questions
School Culture	How can my child get extra help with homework? What makes your school special? Do students at your school feel safe?	
Sixth Grade Students	What time does the day start and end for sixth grade students?  Are there activities just for students in sixth grade? If so, what are they?	
Academics	What are your most popular courses? What makes your school's courses different from those at other schools? Does your school offer any accelerated courses that can count toward high school credit and Regents exam requirements? What is your school's teaching philosophy and approach? What is your schoolwide grading policy? How big are class sizes at your school?	
Activities	What are some examples of clubs at your school? When during a school day can students participate in activities? Do you have any partnerships with outside organizations?	
Admissions	To apply to this school, do we need to do anything besides adding it to the application? If so, what and by when?	

# 6.0 APPLY TO MIDDLE SCHOOL

Apply to middle school by **Monday**, **December 2**, **2019**. For the most up-to-date information on how to apply, visit **schools.nyc.gov/Middle**.

# 6.1 How to Apply - Current NYC Public School Students

When your child's personalized middle school application is available in October, your child's current school will provide you with clear instructions on how to access it. You can then apply online with MySchools or through your child's school counselor. Here's how to apply:

- **1 Discuss middle school options with your child.** Save or list programs of interest.
- Make an appointment with your child's current school counselor to talk about and review your application choices before applying.
- Apply to middle school by the December 2 deadline. You can apply one of two ways:
  - Online with MySchools ( MySchools.nyc)

    During the application period, this option will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in Arabic, Bengali/Bangla, Chinese, English, French, Haitian Creole, Korean, Russian, Spanish, and Urdu. Don't forget to click the Submit Application > button!
  - Through your child's current school counselor
     Speak to a school counselor this fall about submitting your middle school application through the school.

# **6.2** How to Apply – Private or Parochial School Students

If your child currently attends a private or parochial school and would like to apply to public school, our Family Welcome Center staff will walk you through the process! Here's how to apply:

- **1** Discuss middle school options with your child. Save or list programs of interest.
- Visit a Family Welcome Center with your child to explore your child's application choices. Find locations and hours at schools.nyc.gov/WelcomeCenters.
- (3) Apply to middle school by the December 2 deadline. You can apply one of two ways:
  - Online with MySchools ( MySchools.nyc)

    During the application period, this option will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in Arabic, Bengali/Bangla, Chinese, English, French, Haitian Creole, Korean, Russian, Spanish, and Urdu. Don't forget to click the Submit Application > button!
  - Through a Family Welcome Center
     Family Welcome Center staff are available to help you submit your child's application. You can apply in person in over 200 languages. If you speak a language other than English, ask for an interpreter.

New to NYC public schools? Year-round, visit the New Students page at **schools.nyc.gov/NewStudents** to learn how to enroll, where to go, and what to bring.

# 7.0 GET YOUR MIDDLE SCHOOL OFFER

# 7.1 Offer Letters

In April, you'll receive your child's middle school offer letter. This letter will include an offer to a DOE public middle school for the 2020-2021 school year.

# 7.2 Appeals

Your middle school offer letter will also include information about how to submit an appeal if you wish to try to change your child's middle school offer. For more information on appeals, talk to your child's elementary school counselor.

# 7.3 School Location and Transportation

We offer transportation to middle school students based on these criteria:

- Students in sixth grade are provided with yellow bus service or a MetroCard if they live one mile or more from the school; if they live closer than that but more than one half mile from the school, a half-fare MTA bus pass is available on request from their school. Students may receive yellow busing on if they live in the same district as their school and if the school utilizes yellow bus transportation.
- Students in seventh grade and above are provided with MetroCards if they live one and a half miles or more from school. If they live closer than that but more than one half mile from school, a half-fare MTA bus pass is available on request from their school.
- Students whose IEP requires specialized transportation services are placed on bus routes to and from the school they attend. In addition, parents may request additional medical accommodations based on their child's special needs which may also affect the type of vehicle or route on which the student is placed.

For more information on transportation, call us at **718-392-8855** or visit **schools.nyc.gov/school-life/transportation/bus-eligibility**.

# 8.0 NEW YORK CITY DOE PUBLIC MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Here's how to use the sections that follow:

Locate the **District Programs** section for your school district. See the middle school programs in your
district at a glance on the district map and learn about your district's middle school options in the
listings that follow. Be sure to check each program's eligibility to make sure your child can apply to it.



Tip

Find your district and zoned school(s) by entering your address at **schools.nyc.gov/Find-a-School** or calling **311**. This information will also be available in your personalized MySchools account.

 Explore additional options in the Boroughwide Programs and/or Citywide Programs sections that follow. An additional map or maps show programs with these eligibilities.

During the application period, you can learn more about any of these schools online at **MySchools.nyc**.

# **District Programs** | **District 31 Information and Map**

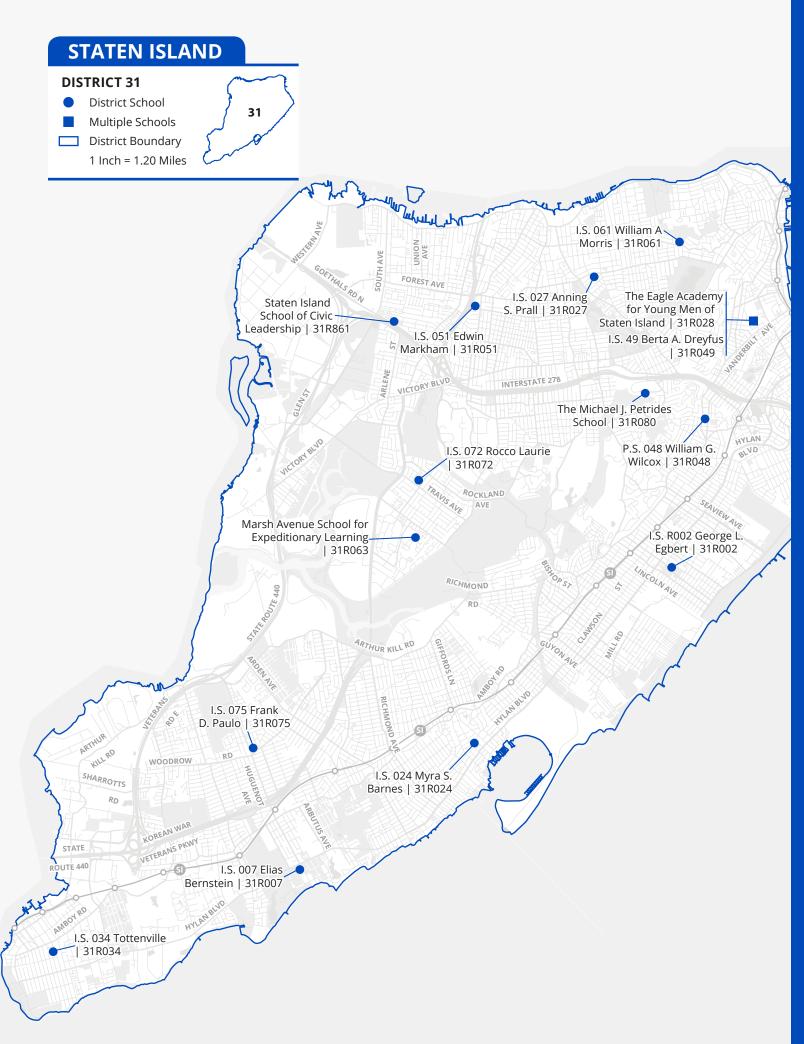
Students and residents of Staten Island can apply to middle school programs in this section.

The borough of Staten Island is also one school district: District 31. All families zoned to District 31 have a zoned middle school. It's a good idea to include your zoned school on your child's application, but you don't need to place it as your first choice—your child's priority to attend their zoned school remains the same whether you place it first or twelfth on their application.



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Find your district and zoned school(s) by entering your address at **schools.nyc.gov/Find-a-School** or calling **311**. This information will also be available in your personalized MySchools account.



# **District 31 Programs**

Open to students and residents of District 31

# **I.S. R002 George L. Egbert** | 31R002

Grades: 6-8 | Students: 1064

333 Midland Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10306 | 718-987-5336

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Scholars Program   R002A	Composite Score	Open to students and residents of District 31	
Zoned Program   R002Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone	
• 94% of students passed core courses	rses   • 80% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria		

# **I.S. 007 Elias Bernstein** | 31R007

Grades: 6-8 | Students: 1167

1270 Huguenot Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10312 | 718-697-8488

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Elias Bernstein (I.S. 7)   R007Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone	
● 100% of students passed core courses   ▶ 88% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria			

# **I.S. 024 Myra S. Barnes** | 31R024

**Grades:** 6-8 | **Students:** 1317 | **&** 

750 Durant Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10308 | 718-982-4700

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Myra S. Barnes (I.S. 24)   R024Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone	
● 98% of students passed core courses   ▶ 85% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria			

# **I.S. 027 Anning S. Prall** | 31R027

Grades: 6-8 | Students: 1036

11 Clove Lake Place, Staten Island, NY 10310 | 718-981-8800

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Scholars Program (Math and Science)   R027A	Composite Score	Open to students and residents of District 31	
Federal Magnet Program   R027U	Open	Open to students and residents of Districts 20, 21, and 31	
Zoned Program   R027Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone	
● 96% of students passed core courses   ● 87% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria			

# The Eagle Academy for Young Men of Staten Island | 31R028

Grades: 6-11 | Students: 270

101 Warren Street, Staten Island, NY 10304 | 718-727-6201

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
The Eagle Academy of Young Men of Staten Island   R028L	Limited Unscreened	All-boys school; open to students and residents of District 31	<ul><li>Priority to District 31 students and residents who sign in at an event 2 Then to District 31 students and residents</li></ul>
▶ 83% of students passed core courses   ▶ 82% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria			

### **District 31 Programs**

Open to students and residents of District 31

### **I.S. 034 Tottenville** | 31R034

Grades: 6-8 | Students: 1061

528 Academy Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10307 | 718-477-4500

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Tottenville (I.S. 34)   R034Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone	
● <b>100</b> % of students passed core courses	<b>№ 88</b> % of stu	dents feel safe in the hallw	vays, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

### **P.S. 048 William G. Wilcox** | 31R048

Grades: PK-8 │ Students: 1001 │ **중** 1050 Targee Street, Staten Island, NY 10304 │ 718-447-8323

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Atlas Academy   R048U	Open	Open to students and residents of District 31	<ul> <li>Priority to continuing students</li> <li>Then to residents of the elementary school zone</li> <li>Then to District</li> <li>students and residents</li> </ul>
• 98% of students passed core courses	<b>→ 76</b> % of stud	ents feel safe in the hallwa	ays, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

### **I.S. 49 Berta A. Dreyfus** | 31R049

**Grades:** 6-8 | **Students:** 535 101 Warren Street, Staten Island, NY 10304 | 718-727-6040

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Scholars Program   R049A	Composite Score	Open to students and residents of District 31	
Zoned Program   R049Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone	
• 93% of students passed core courses	<b>58</b> % of stud	ents feel safe in the hallwa	avs. bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

### **I.S. 051 Edwin Markham** | 31R051

**Grades:** 6-8 | **Students:** 1335 | **3** 80 Willowbrook Road, Staten Island, NY 10302 | 718-981-0502

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities		
Edwin Markham (I.S. 51) Spanish Dual Language Program   R051M	Screened: Language	Open to students and residents of District 31			
Edwin Markham (I.S. 51)   R051Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone			
● 94% of students passed core courses   → 72% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria					

### **I.S. 061 William A Morris** | 31R061

**Grades:** 6-8 ∣ **Students:** 967 ∣ **3** 445 Castleton Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10301 ∣ 718-727-8481

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities	
Spanish Dual Language Program   R061M	Screened: Language	Open to students and residents of District 31		
Performing Arts Program   R061U	Open	Open to students and residents of Districts 20, 21, and 31		
Zoned Program   R061Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone		
▶ 88% of students passed core courses   ▶ 62% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria				

### **District 31 Programs**

Open to students and residents of District 31

## Marsh Avenue School for Expeditionary Learning | 31R063

**Grades:** 6-8 | **Students:** 450 | **₹** 100 Essex Drive, Staten Island, NY 10314 | 718-370-6850

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities	
MAELS   R063L	Limited Unscreened	Open to students and residents of District 31	<ul> <li>Priority to District 31 students and residents who sign in at an event 2 Then to District 31 students and residents</li> </ul>	
■ 100% of students passed core courses   ▶ 86% of students feel safe in the hallways hathrooms locker rooms and cafeteria				

### **I.S. 072 Rocco Laurie** | 31R072

**Grades:** 6-8 | **Students:** 1444 | **3** 33 Ferndale Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10314 | 718-698-5757

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Rocco Laurie (I.S. 72)   R072Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone	
• 97% of students passed core courses	<b>→ 79</b> % of stude	ents feel safe in the hallwa	ays, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

### **I.S. 075 Frank D. Paulo** | 31R075

Grades: 6-8 | Students: 1455 | 🚳

455 Huguenot Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10312 | 718-701-6343

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities		
Scholars Program   R075A	Composite Score	Open to students and residents of District 31			
Zoned Program   R075Z	Zoned	Open to students residing in the zone			
● 99% of students passed core courses   ● 91% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria					

### **The Michael J. Petrides School** | 31R080

Grades: PK-12 | Students: 1330 | 🚳

715 Ocean Terrace, Staten Island, NY 10301 | 718-815-0186

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities		
The Michael J. Petrides School   R080U	Open	Open to students and residents of District 31	<ul><li>Priority to continuing students</li><li>Then to District 31 students and residents</li></ul>		
• 99% of students passed core courses   • 64% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria					

### Staten Island School of Civic Leadership | 31R861 280 Regis Drive, Staten Island, NY 10314 | 718-697-5250

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities		
The Staten Island School of Civic Leadership   R861U	Open	Open to students and residents of District 31	<ul> <li>Priority to continuing students</li> <li>Then to residents</li> <li>the elementary school zone</li> <li>Then to District 31</li> <li>students and residents</li> </ul>		
● 96% of students passed core courses   ▶ 85% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria					

## P.S. 192 - The Magnet School for Math and Science Inquiry | 20K192

**Grades:** PK-8 | **Students:** 642 4715 18 Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11204 | 718-633-3061

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Federal Magnet Program   K192U	Open	Open to students and residents of Districts 20, 21 & 31	
• 95% of students passed core courses	<b>№ 86</b> % of stud	ents feel safe in the hallwa	ys, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

### **District 31 Programs**

Open to students and residents of District 31

### **J.H.S. 223 The Montauk** | 20K223

Grades: 6-8 | Students: 939 | 🚳

4200 16 Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11204 | 718-438-0155

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Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities		
Federal Magnet Program   K223U	Open	Open to students and residents of Districts 20, 21 & 31			
• 97% of students passed core courses	<b>▶ 83</b> % of stud	lents feel safe in the hallwa	ys, bathrooms, locker rooi	ns, and cafeter	ria

### **P.S. 288 The Shirley Tanyhill** | 21K288

Grades: PK-8 | Students: 615 2950 West 25 Street, Brooklyn, NY 11224 | 718-382-2100

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
School of Leadership, Sports and Arts   K288U	Open	Open to students and residents of Districts 20, 21 & 31	
<b>▶ 81</b> % of students passed core courses	<b>▶ 80</b> % of stude	ents feel safe in the hallway	ys, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

### **Kingsborough Early College School** | 21K468

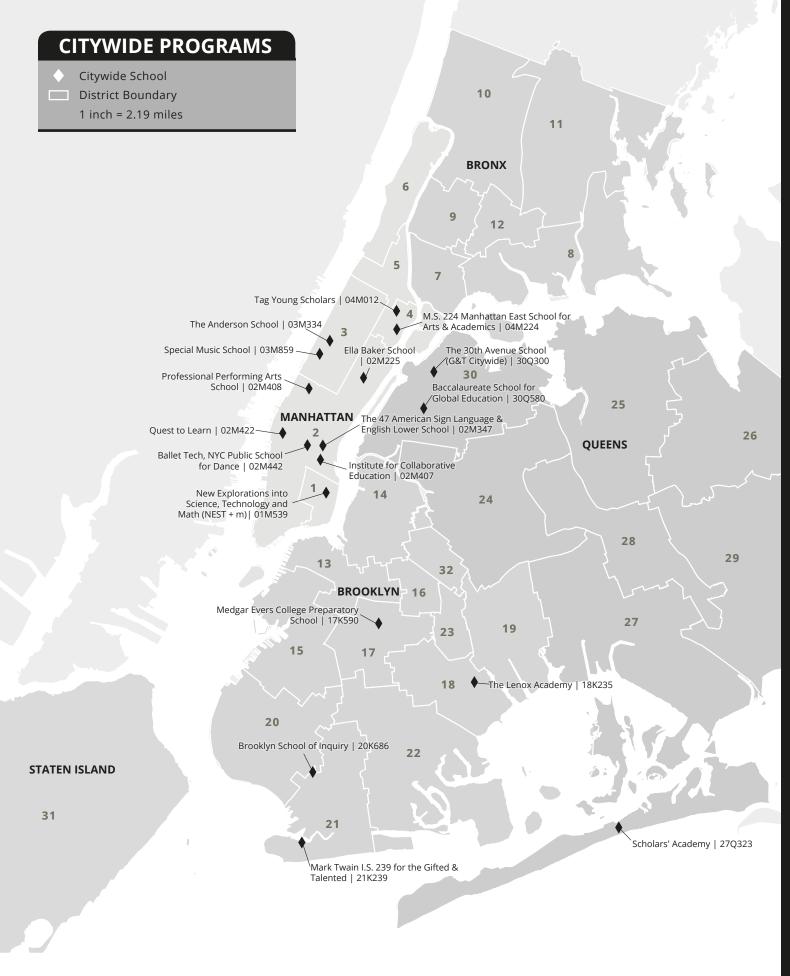
**Grades:** 6-12 | **Students:** 669 | **&** 2630 Benson Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11214 | 718-333-7850

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
The Kingsborough Early College Secondary School   K468U	Open	Open to students and residents of Districts 20, 21 & 31	
• 95% of students passed core courses	<b>▶ 82</b> % of stude	ents feel safe in the hallwa	vs. bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria



All New York City residents can apply to middle school programs in this section.

Be sure to place middle school programs in your true order of preference on your child's application, regardless of whether programs are district, boroughwide, or citywide. If a boroughwide program is your third choice overall, you should rank it third on your application. There is no advantage to placing any program of any type above another unless you prefer that specific program. Each student will be considered for each middle school program they've applied to, beginning with their first choice. If your child does not get an offer to their first choice, they will then be considered for their second choice as if it were their first, and so on, in descending order of how you've placed the programs on their application.



### **Citywide Programs Open to New York City Residents**

New Explorations into S Math (NEST+m)   01M53		<b>.</b>	<b>Grades:</b> K-12   <b>Students:</b> 1754 1 Columbia Street, New York, NY 10002   212-677-5190
Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
New Explorations into Science, Technology & Math (NEST+m)   M539M	Screened	Open to New York City residents	• Priority to continuing students • Then to New York City residents
● <b>99</b> % of students passed core courses	● 90% of students feel	safe in the hallways,	bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria
Ella Baker School   02M	225	3	<b>Grades:</b> PK-8   <b>Students:</b> 324   <b>&amp;</b> 317 East 67 Street, New York, NY 10065   212-717-8809
Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
The Ella Baker School   M225U	Open	Open to New York City residents	<ul><li>Priority to continuing students</li><li>Then to New York City residents</li></ul>
<b>▶ 42</b> % of students passed core courses	<b>▶ 83</b> % of students feel	safe in the hallways,	bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria
The 47 American Sign La English Lower School	<b>nguage &amp;</b> 02M347	:	<b>Grades:</b> PK-8   <b>Students:</b> 193   <b>&amp;</b> 223 East 23 Street, New York, NY 10010   917-326-6609
Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
American Sign Language Program   M347M	Screened	Open to New York City residents	• Priority to continuing students • Then to New York City residents
• 97% of students passed core courses	<b>№ 88</b> % of students feel	safe in the hallways,	bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria
Institute for Collaborati	ve Education	02M407 345	<b>Grades:</b> 6-12   <b>Students:</b> 486   <b>&amp;</b> 5 East 15th Street, New York, NY 10003   212-475-7972
Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
The Institute For Collaborative Education   M407M	Screened	Open to New York City residents	
● <b>100</b> % of students passed core courses	s   <b>91</b> % of students fee	el safe in the hallway	s, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria
Professional Performing	g Arts School	02M408 33	<b>Grades:</b> 6-12   <b>Students:</b> 558 28 West 48 Street, New York, NY 10036   212-247-865
Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Professional Performing Arts School   M408M	Screened	Open to New York City residents	
● <b>98</b> % of students passed core courses	● 93% of students feel	safe in the hallways,	bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria
Quest to Learn   02M42	22	3!	<b>Grades:</b> 6-12   <b>Students:</b> 545   <b>&amp;</b> 51 West 18 Street, New York, NY 10011   212-488-364
Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Quest To Learn   M422L	Limited Unscreened	Open to New York City residents	• Priority to District 2 students and residents who sign in at an event ② Then to District 2 students and residents ③ Then to residents of New York City who sign in at an event ③ Then to residents of New York City
● 98% of students passed core courses	<b>→ 69</b> % of students feel	safe in the hallways,	bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria
Ballet Tech, NYC Public S	School for Danc	<b>e</b>   02M442	<b>Grades:</b> 4-8   <b>Students:</b> 142   <b>&amp;</b> 890 Broadway, New York, NY 10003   212-254-1803
Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities
Ballet Tech   M442C	Screened	Open only to continuing 5th	

**Key 3** = Partially accessible |  **3** = Fully accessible

● 100% of students passed core courses | ● 100% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

grade students

### **Citywide Programs Open to New York City Residents**

#### Grades: K-8 | Students: 522 | The Anderson School 03M334 100 West 77 Street, New York, NY 10024 | 212-595-7193 Programs Offered | Program Code **Admissions Method** Eligibility **Admissions Priorities** The Anderson School P.S. 334 Open to New York 1 Priority to continuing students 2 Then to New York Screened Middle School | M334M City residents City residents 100% of students passed core courses96% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria Grades: K-12 | Students: 314 | Special Music School 03M859 129 West 67 Street, New York, NY 10023 | 212-501-3318 Programs Offered | Program Code **Admissions Method** Eligibility **Admissions Priorities** Open to New York 1 Priority to continuing students 2 Then to New York Special Music School | M859M Screened City residents City residents **99**% of students passed core courses ● 87% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria Grades: K-8 | Students: 601 Tag Young Scholars 04M012 212-860-6003 240 East 109 Street, New York, NY 10029 **Programs Offered** | **Program Code Admissions Method Eligibility Admissions Priorities** Talented and Gifted School for Young Open to New York 1 Priority to continuing students 2 Then to New York Screened Scholars | M012M City residents City residents • 99% of students passed core courses • 92% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria M.S. 224 Manhattan East School for Grades: 6-8 Students: 185 Arts & Academics | 04M224 410 East 100 Street, New York, NY 10029 212-860-6047 **Programs Offered** | **Program Code Admissions Method** Eligibility **Admissions Priorities** Manhattan East School for Arts & Open to New York • Priority to District 4 students and residents Screened Academics (M.S. 224) | M224M City residents 2 Then to New York City residents • 93% of students passed core courses | • 88% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria Medgar Evers College Preparatory School Grades: 6-12 | Students: 1332 | 3 17K590 1186 Carroll Street, Brooklyn, NY 11225 | 718-703-5400 **Programs Offered** | **Program Code Admissions Method** Eligibility **Admissions Priorities** Medgar Evers College Preparatory Open to New York Screened School | K590M City residents **→ 75**% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria **▶ 85**% of students passed core courses Grades: PK-8 | Students: 1220 18K235 The Lenox Academy 755 East 100th Street, Brooklyn NY 11236 | 718-773-4869 **Programs Offered** | **Program Code Admissions Method** Eligibility **Admissions Priorities** 1 Priority to District 18 students and residents Open to residents The Lenox Academy | K235M Screened of New York City 2 Then to New York City residents ● 100% of students passed core courses | → 77% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria Grades: K-8 Students: 534 Brooklyn School of Inquiry 20K686 50 Avenue P, Brooklyn, NY 11204 718-621-5730 **Programs Offered** | **Program Code**

Brooklyn School of Inquiry | K686A

● 100% of students passed core courses | ● 88% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

**Admissions Method** 

Composite Score

**Eligibility** 

City residents

Open to New York

**Admissions Priorities** 

City residents

1 Priority to continuing students 2 Then to New York

## Citywide Programs Open to New York City Residents

### Mark Twain I.S. 239 for the Gifted & Talented

Grades: 6-8 | Students: 1336 2401 Neptune Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11224 | 718-266-0814

Programs Offered   Program Code	Admissions Method	Eligibility A	dmissions Priorities
Art   K239AR	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
Athletics   K239AT	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
Computer/Math   K239CM	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
Dance   K239DA	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
Drama   K239DR	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
Creative Writing/Journalism   K239JO	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
Media   K239ME	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
Science   K239SC	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
String Instruments   K239ST	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
Vocal   K239VO	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
Wind Instruments   K239WI	Talent Test	Open to New York City residents	
● 100% of students passed core course	s   <b>88</b> % of students fe	el safe in the hallways, b	athrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

Please see the next page for details on how to apply to Mark Twain.

### Scholars' Academy | 27Q323

**Grades:** 6-12 | **Students:** 1351 | **₹** 320 Beach 104th Street, Queens, NY 11694 | 718-474-6918

 Programs Offered
 Program Code
 Admissions Method
 Eligibility
 Admissions Priorities

 Scholars' Academy
 Q323M
 Screened
 Open to New York City residents

 • 100% of students passed core courses
 • 95% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria

## The 30th Avenue School (G&T Citywide) | 30Q300 | 28-37 29 Street, Queens, NY 11102 | 718-726-0501

### Baccalaureate School for Global Education

30Q580 Grades: 7-12 | Students: 534 | **3** 

Programs Offered   Program Code	<b>Admissions Method</b>	Eligibility	Admissions Priorities	
Baccalaureate School for Global Education   Q580M	Screened	Open to New York City residents currently in 6th grade. Students may apply for 7th grade admissions only.	,	
● 100% of students passed core courses   ● 91% of students feel safe in the hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, and cafeteria				

### **HOW TO APPLY TO MARK TWAIN FOR THE GIFTED & TALENTED | 21K239**

Mark Twain for the Gifted & Talented (I.S. 239) is a citywide school in Coney Island, Brooklyn, serving grades 6-8. Students are eligible to apply and test or audition during the online middle school application process this fall. Here's how to apply:

1. Select two talent areas for which you'd like your child to be tested. These talent areas include:

Art
 Dance
 Media
 Science
 Computer/Math
 Instrumental: Strings
 Vocal Music
 Instrumental: Winds

2. Be sure to add these two programs to your child's application and to place them in your true order of preference. Submit your child's application by the **December 2, 2019**, deadline.

3. In January 2020, registered students will receive test tickets with their testing appointment date and time. Applicants will be tested in each of their two talent areas. Testing will take place at Mark Twain, located at **2401 Neptune Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11224**, on one of the following dates: Saturday, January 11 | Sunday, January 12 | Saturday, January 25 | Sunday, January 26 | Saturday, February 1 | Sunday, February 2 | Saturday, February 8 | Sunday, February 9

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4. Additional test dates may be scheduled as needed. Students will be considered for offers based on how well they perform on the talent tests in comparison to other applicants.

### HOW TO APPLY TO PROFESSIONAL PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOL | 02M408

Professional Performing Arts School (PPAS) is a citywide school in midtown Manhattan serving grades 6-12. The PPAS middle school theatrical arts program includes acting, singing, and dance instruction from professionals in these fields, along with an accelerated academic program. Eligible students must be New York City residents when they apply. Here's how to apply to PPAS:

- 1. Add the PPAS program to your child's application. Submit your application by the **December 2** deadline. All students that add PPAS to their application are invited to audition.
- 2. Help your child prepare for their PPAS audition. Learn what to prepare and where auditions will be held at **www.ppasnyc.org**.
- 3. Bring your child to their audition on the date listed below for your last name—no ticket or confirmation is necessary. Students must audition on one of the dates below to be considered for admission:

Your last name	Date	Time
A - F	Saturday, January 11	8am
G - M	Saturday, January 11	12pm (noon)
N - R	Sunday, January 12	8am
S - Z	Sunday, January 12	12pm (noon)

Students will be considered for offers based on academic performance and audition.

### **Staten Island Charter Middle Schools**

Contact schools directly to learn more about admissions

This is a list of New York City charter middle schools that are projected to offer sixth grade during the 2019-2020 school year. Please note that not all charter schools accept applications for new students in sixth grade. For the most current admissions information, please contact each school directly. Learn more:

How to Enroll in a New York City Charter School | schools.nyc.gov/Charters

NYC Department of Education Chancellor Authorized Charter Schools (DOE)

infohub.nyced.org/reports-and-policies/school-quality/charter-school-renewal-reports

State University of New York Trustees Authorized Charter Schools (SUNY) | newyorkcharters.org/progress/school-performance-reports

New York State Education Department (SED) | p12.nysed.gov/psc/csdirectory/CSLaunchPage.html

DISTRICT 31	John W. Lavelle Preparatory Charter School 84R067
	Grades: 3-12   347-855-2238   www.lavelleprep.org
	New World Preparatory Charter School   84R073
	<b>Grades:</b> K-2,5-8   718-705-8990   newworldprep.org

## **VISIT A FAMILY WELCOME CENTER**

Visit **schools.nyc.gov/WelcomeCenters** to learn when Family Welcome Centers are open and which centers are closest to each district.

Find your school district by creating an account in MySchools ( MySchools.nyc) or calling 311.

### **Bronx Family Welcome Centers**

- 1 1 Fordham Plaza, 7th Floor, Bronx, NY 10458
- (2) 1230 Zerega Avenue, Room 24, Bronx, NY 10462

### **Manhattan Family Welcome Centers**

(3) George Washington Educational Campus | 549 Audubon Avenue, New York, NY 10040

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(4) 388 West 125th Street, 7th Floor; Room 713, New York, NY 10027

(5) 333 Seventh Avenue, 12th Floor; Room 1211, New York, NY 10001

6 166 Essex Street New York, NY 10002 | Serving District 1

#### **Queens Family Welcome Centers**

7 28-11 Queens Plaza North, 3rd Floor, Long Island City, NY 11101

8 30-48 Linden Place, 2nd Floor, Flushing, NY 11354

9 90-27 Sutphin Boulevard, 1st Floor, Jamaica, NY 11435

10 Beach Channel Educational Campus | 100-00 Beach Channel Drive, Rockaway Park, NY 11694 | Serving the Rockaways

#### **Brooklyn Family Welcome Centers**

- (11) 29 Fort Greene Place (BS12), Brooklyn, NY 11217
- (12) 1665 St. Marks Avenue, Room 116, Brooklyn, NY 11233
- 13 1780 Ocean Avenue, 3rd Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11230
- 415 89th Street, 5th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11209

### **Staten Island Family Welcome Centers**

15) 715 Ocean Terrace, Building A, Staten Island, NY 10301





# Stay Engaged with Admissions

**schools.nyc.gov/Connect** | Sign up for the middle school admissions email list to get tips and key date reminders.

**schools.nyc.gov/Middle** Learn about middle school admissions, including how offers are made. Get the latest updates and event information. The middle school fairs for different districts take place on different dates in the fall—find fair dates, times, and locations on our website.

☐ Attend a middle school fair in the fall.

### **Find Schools and Apply**

☐ Apply to middle school by Monday, December 2.

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### We're Here to Help!

Questions about middle school admissions?

- Talk to your child's school counselor.
- Call us at 718-935-2009.
- Visit a Family Welcome Center—locations are listed on the inside back cover of this guide. Find hours and updates at schools.nyc.gov/WelcomeCenters.



