

Action Checklist

High School and Specialized High Schools

June – August	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Use MySchools to explore high school programs. <input type="checkbox"/> Attend a high school family workshop in June. <input type="checkbox"/> Plan your admissions calendar for fall—learn about events and open houses at schools.nyc.gov/High <input type="checkbox"/> Specialized High Schools Read the 2019-2020 Specialized High Schools Student Handbook and visit schools.nyc.gov/SHS to prepare for the Specialized High Schools Admissions Test (SHSAT) and LaGuardia High School auditions.
September – November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Attend the high school fairs in September and October—check our website for the most up-to-date information on locations, dates, and times. <input type="checkbox"/> Find out if programs of interest have additional admissions requirements. Learn how to schedule or submit assessments at MySchools.nyc, or contact schools directly. <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with a counselor at your school or a Family Welcome Center to discuss your high school options. <input type="checkbox"/> In the fall, your school counselor will help you access your high school application in MySchools. Once you are logged in to your account you can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Save your favorite programs by clicking the star next to the program names. Try to save at least 25 programs! ▪ Start adding programs to your application. You can apply to 12 programs—learn how to build a balanced application in Section 4.0. ▪ Schedule any tests, auditions, or other assessments for programs on your application. <input type="checkbox"/> Attend open houses and visit schools. <input type="checkbox"/> Complete any assessments or additional requirements. <input type="checkbox"/> Specialized High Schools Schedule your SHSAT and/or LaGuardia High School audition through your MySchools account, your school counselor, or at a Family Welcome Center by the deadline in October 2019. Sign up for the specialized high schools email list at schools.nyc.gov/Connect—we’ll send you information about the deadline as soon as it’s announced. <input type="checkbox"/> Specialized High Schools Get your test and/or audition ticket(s). Your ticket will show your test/audition date, time, and location. <input type="checkbox"/> Specialized High Schools Take the SHSAT or audition as scheduled in October or November. Taking the test and/or auditioning is how you apply to these schools.
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Submit your high school application by December 2, 2019. Apply one of three ways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Online at MySchools.nyc ▪ Through your school counselor ▪ At a Family Welcome Center <input type="checkbox"/> Continue to complete any assessments or additional requirements by school’s deadlines.
March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Get your high school offer letter. This letter will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Your high school offer and/or, if applicable, your specialized high schools results, which may include an offer from a testing school and/or any offers from LaGuardia studios ▪ Next steps for students and families.