Your Journey to Success Starts Here ➤

Guide to Choosing a NYC High School
2012-2013
Dear Future High School Graduate,

You did it! You made it all the way to 8th grade and are about to begin one of the most important journeys of your life – the path to high school. That’s why the public high school you choose to attend is so important.

We know making such a tough decision can be scary, but we are here to help. In this guide you’ll find a checklist of things you should do during 8th grade to make sure that you select and get into the right high school for you.

You’ll also find tips for success in the 9th grade and a listing of all the public high schools working with New Visions for Public Schools – schools that are committed to seeing you graduate and go on to college and/or a great career.

Every one of our New Visions schools works to provide you with the tools you’ll need to be successful as an adult, including:

- Mastering literacy, math and science skills;
- Learning how to think critically and solve difficult problems;
- Working collaboratively with other students, being a team player; and
- Learning how to learn on your own, so you are prepared for college and/or a good career.

Be sure to take advantage of all the resources available for helping you choose the right high school for you. Carefully look through both this guide and the NYC Department of Education’s Directory of High Schools. Visit schools during open houses. Attend the NYC High School fairs and ask lots of questions. The more you know about choosing a high school, the greater your options. Now go, your journey begins here!

Good luck on your path,
The New Visions for Public Schools Team

The entire guide is available online. To download or print, visit www.newvisions.org/publications/2012SchoolsGuide

Founded in 1989, New Visions for Public Schools designs, creates and sustains effective public schools for students in high needs neighborhoods. Our network of 76 schools, serving more than 40,000 students at all levels through the five boroughs, strives to prepare every student for success in college or the workplace.

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8 things you should do during 8th grade

Here are a few things that you should do during your 8th grade year to make sure that you are on track to graduating middle school and choosing the right high school.

1. Maintain a good attendance record (no more than two absences per semester). High schools will look at your attendance.

2. Try to get at least 3.5 on your ELA and Math state exams.

3. Take one Regents exam at the end of 8th grade, if possible.

4. Participate in extracurricular activities at your school to deepen your interests.

5. Make a list of your hobbies and interests and research schools that have courses or programs that match your interests. Your guidance counselor can help you with your choices.

6. Find out the requirements for those schools and register or make an appointment to visit. At some schools you must audition, attend an open house or take a test to be accepted.

7. Make a list of your top 12 schools, and visit as many as you can! Visiting the school will help you determine if you like the environment and want to apply.

8. Apply by December, 2012! You can choose up to 12 schools that you are interested in, listing the schools you like the most, first on your list. After you apply, wait to see which high schools on your list are matched to you. If you do not get a match, don’t worry! You can reapply during the second round of the application process.

“The teachers support you in everything. They taught me how to study, how to talk to people and how to see a new world. I’m a different Abdullah now.”

Abdullah, Marble Hill School for International Studies ’13
“Our teachers remind us every day that we are college-bound students. We are made for greater things.”

Tandy, New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities ’15

Tips for success in the 9th grade

- Take classes that will challenge you to learn more and do your best. Respectable grades in challenging courses are more impressive than outstanding grades in easy ones.

- Start thinking ahead about college. Remember, you will have more options if you do your best to earn good grades and start planning now for college.

- Meet with your guidance counselor to create a four-year plan that will help you graduate on time, ready for college. Colleges look at all four years, so make every semester count!

- Join extracurricular activities like clubs, sports, and volunteering after school. If you are uncertain, your guidance counselor can help you choose ones that suit your interests.

- Do well in school. Try to earn at least 11 credits in 9th grade and pass one Regents exam with an 80 or above. Aim for good attendance. Missing a day of school is like giving up a day’s pay!

- Talk to your parents about your college and career plans — it is important that your parents or guardians stay involved in your success! Encourage them to attend your school’s meetings and events and get to know your teachers and principal.
Where can I find out more?

Look over the schools in the New Visions guide to NYC public schools. Use the checklist sheet on the back to list the schools that interest you, and contact them for more information. Some schools have special criteria for admission. Make sure you understand what it takes to get into the schools that you like.

Visit your guidance counselor, and ask to look at the Directory of New York City Public High Schools. The directory lists every high school in NYC and gives information on enrollment requirements, academics, expectations and more.

Research schools that interest you by reviewing their school report card at schools.nyc.gov/accountability. How many students graduate from the school? What special supports does it offer?

Attend the Citywide and Borough High School Fairs, Open Houses and other forums. Contact the Parent Coordinator at each school to find out more information.

Find school reviews, class size information and other useful data at websites such as insideschools.org, gothamschools.org, nytimes.com/schoolbook or welcometocup.org/oldschoolnewschool.

Read the NYC Department of Education’s information page on services for students with disabilities and English language learners: schools.nyc.gov/academics/specialeducation.

Call 311 if you need additional help with high school admissions.

Visit New Visions for Public Schools’ website: www.newvisions.org.

“The education I’m getting here is preparing me for my future in law and finance. When I graduate from this school, I feel like I can make it anywhere. It’s taught me patience, survival, strategies for life. I feel like I can do anything.”

Shanice, Brooklyn Academy of Global Finance ’13
Bronx

Alfred E. Smith Vocational High School
Evan Schwartz, Principal
Total Students: 480

Alfred E. Smith Vocational High School aims to provide its students with the best vocational and academic education. Our integrated instructional program will result in a Regents Diploma or Advanced Regents Diploma with a Career and Technical endorsement, which are recognized by universities and major corporations throughout the United States. We offer students a solid preparation for college and training for employment in automotive trades, pre-engineering or building trades.

2 cool things about Alfred E. Smith

- We have a state-approved automotive program that is affiliated with NATEF (National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation) and our teachers are ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) certified. We provide paid internships with major automotive companies and dealerships such as BMW, Toyota, etc.
- We have state-of-the-art automotive technology and a working auto shop operated by trained students under the supervision of highly qualified teachers.

2 things you should know about coming here

- This school has a uniform.
- This school offers PSAL sports.
Bronx Preparatory High School  
STEPHEN GUMBS, PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 407  
Belmont Preparatory High School was founded in 2002 as a high school for academically talented students throughout the community. The curriculum is based in the humanities and uses an interdisciplinary approach to infuse language arts throughout the curriculum so that students are truly college and career ready upon graduation.

2 cool things about Belmont  
Belmont Prep has a 15:1 student to teacher ratio. Excursions and field trips, including trips to New England, Philadelphia, PA; Washington, DC; and Rome (Italy) take place annually.

2 things you should know about coming here  
This school requires a uniform. Students can earn up to 12 college credits in their junior and senior years in the College Now Program.

How to get in  
Priority is given to Bronx students or residents, then to New York City residents. Please contact the school for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION  
333 East 151 Street, Bronx, NY 10451  
718-993-5000  
7X600@schools.nyc.gov  
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/07/X600

Bronx Academy of Health Careers  
DAWN SANTIAGO, INTERIM ACTING PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 445  
At Bronx Academy of Health Careers (BAHC), we prepare students for a variety of health professions, including medicine, medical technology, nursing, pharmacology and physical therapy.

2 cool things about BAHC  
We collaborate with colleges to offer our students an opportunity to take college-level, credit-bearing courses for free. Students can volunteer and intern at local health care institutions.

2 things you should know about coming here  
Dress code is required. Students are encouraged to study four years of math and science.

How to get in  
Priority is given to Bronx residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx residents and then to NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION  
800 East Gun Hill Road, Bronx, NY 10467  
718-696-3340  
dsantiago3@schools.nyc.gov  
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/11/X290

Bronx Arena High School  
TY CESENE, PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 200  
Bronx Arena High School is a collaboration between the Department of Education and SCO Family Services. We are a transfer school dedicated to serving overage, under-credited youth, inspiring them to reengage in school and empowering them with an education that will prepare them for success in college, career and life.

2 cool things about Bronx Arena  
Students use technology to create a personalized education experience and work in a self-paced learning environment. Students have access to paid internships and college and career planning.

2 things you should know about coming here  
This school offers accelerated credit accumulation. Students are expected to participate in online course work and real-world projects.

How to get in  
There is a rolling admissions policy. Students must be 16 years of age or older and must have attended high school for at least one year. Transcript must be provided and students are expected to attend an orientation. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION  
1440 Story Avenue, Bronx, NY 10473  
718-860-5056  
www.bronxarena.org

Bronx Center for Science and Mathematics  
EDWARD TOM, PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 423  
The Bronx Center for Science and Mathematics (BCSM) offers a challenging academic program with a concentration in science and mathematics supported by the study of humanities and the integration of technology across the curriculum.

2 cool things about BCSM  
Older students mentor new students through BCSM’s mentorship program. Summer enrichment is offered at universities and colleges across the nation.

2 things you should know about coming here  
School uniform is required. AP courses are offered.

How to get in  
Priority is given to Bronx students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx students or residents and then to NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION  
1363 Fulton Avenue, Bronx, NY 10456  
718-992-7089  
etom2@schools.nyc.gov  
www.bcsmschool.com

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How to get in  
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CONTACT INFORMATION  
500 East Fordham Road, Bronx, NY 10458  
718-733-8100  
sgumbs2@schools.nyc.gov  
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/10/X434

Bronx Academy of Health Careers  
DAWN SANTIAGO, INTERIM ACTING PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 445  
At Bronx Academy of Health Careers (BAHC), we prepare students for a variety of health professions, including medicine, medical technology, nursing, pharmacology and physical therapy.

2 cool things about BAHC  
We collaborate with colleges to offer our students an opportunity to take college-level, credit-bearing courses for free. Students can volunteer and intern at local health care institutions.

2 things you should know about coming here  
Dress code is required. Students are encouraged to study four years of math and science.

How to get in  
Priority is given to Bronx residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx residents and then to NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION  
800 East Gun Hill Road, Bronx, NY 10467  
718-696-3340  
dsantiago3@schools.nyc.gov  
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/11/X290

Bronx Arena High School  
TY CESENE, PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 200  
Bronx Arena High School is a collaboration between the Department of Education and SCO Family Services. We are a transfer school dedicated to serving overage, under-credited youth, inspiring them to reengage in school and empowering them with an education that will prepare them for success in college, career and life.

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1363 Fulton Avenue, Bronx, NY 10456  
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www.bcsmschool.com

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**Bronx continued**

2 things you should know about coming here
This school has a dress code.

All students are expected to complete four years of math, technology/engineering and science.

How to get in
Priority is given to Bronx students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx students or residents and then to NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
@ 99 Terrace View Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463
\# 718-563-8678
\# penglish-young@schools.nyc.gov
\# schools.nyc.gov/\#SchoolPortals/10/X213

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**Bronx Haven High School**

LUCINDA MENDEZ, PRINCIPAL

Total Students: 125

In partnership with students, faculty and families, we are a transfer school that uses innovative methods to support the personal growth of our students and help them succeed in higher education.

2 cool things about Bronx Haven

Students are offered Regents and SAT prep classes.

Each student at Bronx Haven is paired with an advisor for individualized academic guidance, college and career preparation and life skills development.

2 things you should know about coming here

Students must participate in orientations and intake interviews.

Advisory group, college and career preparation.

How to get in
Bronx Haven admits students on a rolling admissions basis, accepting students 16 years of age or older. Interested students must have attended high school for at least one year. Orientation sessions, intake appointment and transcripts are required. Please contact school to request an appointment for an intake interview.

CONTACT INFORMATION
@ 333 East 151st, Bronx, NY 10451
\# 718-292-3638
\# lmenendez4@schools.nyc.gov
\# schools.nyc.gov/\#SchoolPortals/07/X381

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**Bronx High School for Law and Community Service**

MICHAEL BARAKAT, PRINCIPAL

Total Students: 420

We strive to produce mature, well-educated lifelong learners. Our learning community is committed to helping all students become critical and independent thinkers, who make wise and socially responsible decisions that benefit themselves and the community.

2 cool things about Law & Community Service

Students compete in Mock Trial and Moot Court competitions under the guidance of our partnership law firm, Hogan and Lovells.

AP and honors-level courses are available to all students.

2 things you should know about coming here

This school has a dress code.

All students must participate in community service.

How to get in
Priority is given to Bronx students or residents, then to NYC residents. Please call the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
@ 500 East Fordham Road, Bronx, NY 10458
\# 718-733-5274
\# mbarakat@schools.nyc.gov
\# schools.nyc.gov/\#SchoolPortals/10/X439

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**Bronx Latin**

ANNETTE FIORENTINO, INTERIM ACTING PRINCIPAL

Total Students: 436

Rooted in its commitment to the community and grounded in the love of learning, the Bronx Latin School is for students in grades 6 through 12. We offer a challenging program of arts and sciences and encourage serious scholarship, independent thought, and clarity of expression.

2 cool things about Bronx Latin

Students are offered Math Lab, a self-paced online math class.

Extracurricular activities include robotics team, debate team, homework help, and school sports (basketball, soccer, flag football and volleyball, among others).

2 things you should know about coming here

This school has a dress code.

Interdisciplinary course units culminate in a Socratic Seminar.

How to get in
Priority is given to continuing 8th graders, then to NYC residents who attend an information session and then to NYC residents. Please call the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
@ 800 Home Street, Bronx, NY 10456
\# 718-991-6349
\# aflorentino2@schools.nyc.gov
\# www.bronxlatin.com

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**Bronx Leadership Academy II High School**

KATHERINE CALLAGHAN, PRINCIPAL

Total Students: 500

The mission of Bronx Leadership Academy (BLA) II is to help our students engage their minds, develop them as leaders and help them explore possibilities. Our school’s familial atmosphere and our partnership with the South Bronx churches encourage students to apply their leadership skills in their school and community.

2 cool things about BLA II

BLA II has a regulation-size football field and 22 sports teams.

We are happy to offer AP courses.

2 things you should know about coming here

All students must adhere to school dress code.

Students should expect to take four years of science and math in addition to social studies, English and foreign languages.

How to get in
Priority is given to Bronx students or residents, then to New York City residents. Our annual Open House is held each fall for incoming freshmen. Please contact the school for additional information.

CONTACT INFORMATION
@ 730 Concourse Village West, Bronx, NY 10451
\# 718-292-7171
\# kcallaghan@schools.nyc.gov
\# schools.nyc.gov/\#SchoolPortals/07/X527

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**Bronx School of Law and Finance**

JESSICA GORIZ, INTERIM ACTING PRINCIPAL

Total Students: 408

The mission of our school is to provide students with the necessary skills and abilities to pursue employment and/or higher education by introducing them to careers in law and finance.

2 cool things about Law & Finance

Students are exposed to the world of finance and law through internships, mentoring and fieldwork.

Our curriculum is enriched under the leadership of our lead partner, the Barnard/Columbia Education Program.

2 things you should know about coming here

Students must adhere to school dress code.

Community service and volunteer work are a part of the school community.

How to get in
Priority is given to Bronx students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx students or residents and then to all NYC residents. Priority is given to students who attend our Open House. Please contact the school for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION
@ 99 Terrace View Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463
\# 718-561-0113
\# goring@schools.nyc.gov
\# www.LawandFinance.org

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**Bronx Theatre High School**

CHARLES GALLO, PRINCIPAL

Total Students: 429

Bronx Theatre offers students the opportunity to take a rigorous and creative course load, preparing them for the competitive college application process and cultivating their vibrant artistic portfolios. Students earn a fully accredited Regents diploma, with the option of an Arts-endorsed diploma by adopting the model of a theatre company.

2 cool things about Bronx Theatre

Learning is project-based and students are considered artists-at-work. Students can take classes such as Dance, Set Design, Costume Design, Acting and Theatre Business.

Students have the opportunities to see free Broadway shows; work alongside professional actors, directors, technicians and other artists; and participate in Student Production Workshop.

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and other internships through Roundabout Theatre Company.

2 cool things about EBA
- Accelerated students may take college courses in partnership with Lehman College.
- We incorporate technology into every class.

2 things you should know about coming here
- EBA offers credit-bearing after-school courses for acceleration and optional Saturday courses.
- This school offers before-and-after school tutoring.

How to get in
Priority is given to Bronx students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx students or residents and then to NYC residents. Please call 718-392-2902 to make an appointment.

CONTACT INFORMATION
99 Terrace View Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463
718-329-2902
cgallo4@schools.nyc.gov
www.bxtheatre.org

Collegiate Institute for Math and Science
SHADIA ALVAREZ, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 680
Our academically challenging program is designed to focus on math and science education. Our real-world approach to learning provides off-site internships, community service and advanced classes both on-site and at local colleges.

2 cool things about CIMS
- Summer enrichment courses and internships are available to students.
- Students can take advanced classes at local colleges.

2 things you should know about coming here
- Each student is required to study four years of one foreign language (except for non-English speakers who have recently arrived in the US). EBA students maintain their cultural identity, and to help families to answer students' needs, to help students maintain their cultural identity, and to offer enrichment.

How to get in
Priority is given to Bronx students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx students or residents and then to NYC residents. Please call 718-392-2902 to make an appointment.

CONTACT INFORMATION
1716 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10460
718-861-8641
sscregin@eastbronxacademy.org
www.eastbronxacademy.org

East Bronx Academy for the Future
SARAH SCROGIN, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 619
East Bronx Academy for the Future (EBA) is a technology-based school for students in grades 6 through 12. Students learn in small classes, using computers and doing hands-on projects. EBA students graduate from high school ready for college and the world of work. Our graduates are linked to careers that employ technology, such as journalism, the arts, engineering, architecture and urban planning.

2 cool things about EBA
- Accelerated students may take college courses in partnership with Lehman College.
- We incorporate technology into every class.

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- This school offers before-and-after school tutoring.

How to get in
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718-329-2902
cgallo4@schools.nyc.gov
www.bxtheatre.org

High School for Contemporary Arts
FRANCISCO SANCHEZ, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 479
High School for Contemporary Arts (HSCA) is a collaborative learning community that combines a challenging curriculum drawing connections between the humanities, science, math and the arts with an intensive training program in the arts. We use state-of-the-art, 21st-century media technology.

2 cool things about HSCA
- Through our partnerships, our students have the opportunity to participate in special programs, performances, exhibitions, mentorships and internships.
- Our Arts Studios bring together study in the traditional arts (dance, theatre, fine arts, and music) with study in the contemporary arts (film, video/sound production, multimedia, graphic design and animation).

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school offers boys and girls PSAL sports.
- HSCA offers opportunities to participate in College Summit and College Now programs.

How to get in
Priority is given to Bronx students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx students or residents and then to NYC residents. Please call the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
1716 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10460
718-861-8641
sscregin@eastbronxacademy.org
www.eastbronxacademy.org

High School of World Cultures
RAMON NAMNUN, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 318
The High School of World Cultures (HSWC) is dedicated to providing a supportive and nurturing environment in which students acquire strong English skills while accumulating credits in all the content areas. We are committed to working with families to answer students’ needs, to help students maintain their cultural identity, and to foster pride in their cultural roots and to raise their self-esteem.

2 cool things about HSWC
- Our school admits students from around the world who have arrived in the US within the last year.
- We have a very active student government.

2 things you should know about coming here
- HSWC has a Spanish dual language program for entering 9th graders.
- Dress code is required.

How to get in
Priority is given to Bronx residents who are non-English speakers who have recently arrived in this country, then to New York City residents who are non-English speakers who have recently arrived in this country. Please call the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
1300 Boynton Avenue, Bronx, NY 10472
718-860-8120
rmannun@schools.nyc.gov
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2 cool things about Marble Hill

- Students have opportunities to participate in international exchange programs to various countries during the 10th-12th grades.
- We have an international community representing more than 49 countries, and the students speak over 35 different languages.

2 things you should know about coming here

- Every student participates in community service in grades 11 and 12.
- There is a dress code: black pants and a white button-down shirt.

How to get in

This school has a screened admissions policy to ensure that 50 percent of every incoming 9th grade is composed of English Language Learners. See DOE High School Directory for more information. Priority is given to Bronx students or residents, then to NYC residents. For International Academy only (43B): open only to ELL students who have been living in the United States for fewer than six years. Open Houses are held every Tuesday from October 2, 2012 through November 6, 2012; Saturdays, October 13 and November 17, 2012.

CONTACT INFORMATION

99 Terrace View Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463
718-561-0973
marblehillschool@aol.com
www.marblehillschool.org

Morris Academy for Collaborative Studies

CHARLES OSEWALT, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 450

Our mission at the Morris Academy for Collaborative Studies (MACS) is to involve all of our students in their own learning process so that they become self-motivated, creative problem solvers who can meet the challenges of college and the job market. We believe that the most effective way to provide our students with a meaningful education is through project-based learning, in which students work in groups on projects that are important and relevant to their lives.

2 cool things about MACS

- We have a Roundtable Review of student projects.
- Our school offers both Japanese and Spanish as foreign languages, and our Japanese Club will be traveling to Japan in 2013.

2 things you should know about coming here

- There is a three-week Summer Learning Bridge Program offered to incoming freshman, with one high school credit earned upon completion.
- MACS offers Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (JROTC).

How to get in

Priority is given to Bronx students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx students or residents and then to NYC residents. For information on Open Houses, please call our parent coordinator, Ms. Zuleika Carrion, at 718-542-3700, ext. 1266.

CONTACT INFORMATION

1110 Boston Road, Bronx, NY 10456
718-542-3700
cosewall@schools.nyc.gov
www.morriscollaborative.org

New Visions Charter High School for Advenced Math and Science

JULIA CHUN, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 250

At New Visions Charter High School for Advanced Math and Science (AMS), we prepare our scholars to think, act and speak with intelligence, integrity and confidence. AMS will provide you with a strong academic foundation so that by the time you graduate, you will be prepared not only for science- and mathematics-related college majors, but for any major or career in which you will have to think critically, collaborate, reason deeply and powerfully articulate your ideas.

2 cool things about AMS

- By the 11th grade, all of our students will be ready to succeed in Advanced Placement and college-level math and science courses.
- Technology is integrated into the curriculum.

2 things you should know about coming here

- This school has a dress code.
- There is a Summer Bridge program for incoming freshmen and rising 10th graders.
How to get in
Admission is by lottery with preference given to students residing in District 10. An Open House will be held on October 30th. Please contact the school for times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
99 Terrace View Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463
718-817-7683
amsinfo@charter.newvisions.org
www.newvisions.org/charter/AMS

New Visions Charter High School for Advanced Math and Science II
STACEY KING, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 128
The mission of New Visions Charter High School for Advanced Math and Science II (AMS II) is to prepare our students to become successful members of the global community. In pursuit of this goal, we provide urban students with a superior education that is experiential in its approach. Through an integrated, challenge-based curriculum, which includes community-based projects, we seek to cultivate citizens who have the tools necessary to compete both locally and globally within our society. We believe that such “hands-on, minds-on” learning experiences are critical to student engagement and essential to the process of preparing students to become college and career ready.

2 cool things about AMS II
- Writing is integrated into the curriculum across all subject areas, so that students learn how to write for different purposes and audiences.
- We work with the Lincoln Center Institute to expand our students’ ability to observe closely through examinations of art and relate these techniques to the classroom.

2 things you should know about coming here
- There is a dress code.
- There is an extended school day with enrichment opportunities after school and during Saturday Academy.

How to get in
Admission is by lottery. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
99 Terrace View Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463
718-817-7686
slewislevin31@charter.newvisions.org
www.newvisions.org/charter/AMSII

New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities II
RICHARD GONZALEZ, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 122
New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities II (HUM II) caters to the specific needs of each student, providing individualized supports to all students and their unique learning styles and abilities, including English Language Learners and students with Individualized Education Plans. The school is co-located on the Samuel Gompers High School campus, providing students the opportunity to participate in visual and performing arts, sports and community service.

2 cool things about HUM II
- HUM II provides a 9:1 student to teacher ratio with 25 students to a class.
- We work with the Lincoln Center Institute to expand our students’ ability to observe closely through examinations of art and relate these techniques to the classroom.

2 things you should know about coming here
- All students are required to wear a uniform.
- This school will eventually serve grades 9-12.

How to get in
Admission is by lottery. Please contact the school for further information about lottery and Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
455 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10455
718-665-5380
HUM2@charter.newvisions.org
www.newvisions.org/charter/HUMII

West Bronx Academy for the Future
WILPER MORALES, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 636
The West Bronx Academy for the Future (WBAFF) is a high-tech school that prepares its graduates to participate fully in the social, civic, and economic life of their city. Students learn in small classes and are supported by an advisory system featuring small numbers of students with long-term teacher involvement. Our program is enhanced by real-world, project-based learning and the thorough integration of technology.

2 cool things about WBAFF
- Our integrated curriculum gives students the opportunity to take Advanced Placement classes.
- Students are linked to careers that employ technology, such as journalism, the arts, engineering, architecture, and urban planning.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a dress code.
- WBAFF offers intensive instructional support and an after-school program.

How to get in
Priority is given to continuing 8th graders, then to Bronx students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Bronx students or residents and then to NYC residents. Please consult the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
500 East Fordham Road, Bronx, NY 10458
718-563-7139
info@westbronxacademy.org
www.westbronxacademy.org

The Young Women’s Leadership School of the Bronx
DEVON EISENBERG AND LEMARIE LAUREANO, CO-DIRECTORS
Total Students: 90
The Young Women’s Leadership School (TYWLS) of the Bronx has a mission to create a community of confident and compassionate young women and successfully prepare them for college and other post-secondary experiences. Personal and academic growth are supported in a strong advisory program. Learning is dynamic and participatory in small classes, enabling students to experience great success on many levels, with an emphasis in science, math and technology.

2 cool things about TYWLS, Bronx
- All students must participate in at least one after-school club a week as a part of “TYWLS Bronx Girls—we are always up to something!”
- We are part of a highly effective network, The Young Women’s Leadership Network and have four New York City sister schools in addition to other sister schools in Maryland, Chicago and Texas.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a dress code that is mandatory.
- We are an all-girls school with a strong focus on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

How to get in
Priority is given to Bronx students who attend an open house. Open Houses will be held Thursday, October 25 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and Saturday, October 27 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

CONTACT INFORMATION
1865 Morris Avenue, Bronx, NY 10453
718-731-2590
info@tywlssbronx.org
www.tywlssbronx.org
Academy for Health Careers
DEONNE MARTIN, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 250
The mission of the Academy for Health Careers (AHC) is to ensure that every student develops a strong foundation in health studies, science, leadership, communication and other competencies that are essential for careers in the health care services industry.

2 cool things about AHC
Our school offers Career and Technical Education (CTE) Programs in Health Careers.
We offer after-school and peer tutoring.

2 things you should know about coming here
AHC has girls and boys PSAL sports.
There is a dress code: light blue shirt, navy blue pants/skirt.

How to get in
Priority is given to Brooklyn residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents who attend an information session. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
☎ 150 Albany Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11213
☎ 718-773-0128
✉ dmartin9@schools.nyc.gov
✉ www.academyforhealthcareers.org

Academy of Innovative Technology
CYNTHIA FOWLKES, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 427
At Academy of Innovative Technology (AOIT), we prepare all students to enter college and employment after four years of a multi-disciplinary curriculum integrating challenging academics with up-to-the-minute technology. We will continue to support our students after they graduate through networking, alumni support groups and e-conferences.

2 cool things about AOIT
Students graduate from AOIT with official certifications in several Information Technology (IT) applications of state-of-the-art technology.
We offer three-year sequences for gaming, web design and applications programming.

2 things you should know about coming here
There is a dress code.
The National Academy Foundation provides college courses, job readiness workshops and internships.

How to get in
Priority is given to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
☎ 50 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11222
☎ 718-218-9301, ext. 1001
✉ 14k601@schools.nyc.gov
✉ www.autohs.com

Brooklyn Academy of Global Finance
DANIELLE DARBEE, INTERIM ACTING PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 144
At Brooklyn Academy of Global Finance (BAGF), we provide students with an opportunity to explore the subjects of business and finance around the world while preparing them for college and successful professional careers.

2 cool things about BAGF
Our school has a live trading room floor with state-of-the-art tickers and to-the-minute stock updates.
The National Academy Foundation curriculum provides job-shadowing, guest speakers from the business and finance industry, internships, career planning and college credit-bearing finance courses taken at the City University of New York (CUNY).

How to get in
Some programs in this school offer admissions via Education Option, which reserves a proportion of seats based on 7th grade ELA reading exam scores. Admission is open to all NYC residents. For the pre-engineering program, priority is given to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
☎ 999 Jamaica Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11208
☎ 718-827-2469
✉ aoiths@gmail.com
✉ schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/19/K618

Automotive High School
CATERINA LAFERGOLA-STANZUK, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 666
Automotive High School offers students unique, top-rated technical, business, pre-Law Enforcement Academy and challenging academic programs. A visual arts program, a thriving student government and a wide variety of PSAL sports help create a rich and exciting high school experience.

2 cool things about Automotive
Students graduate from Automotive with industry certifications, including National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF) and Automotive Service Excellence (ASE).
The school has partnerships which provide apprenticeships and after-school employment opportunities.

2 things you should know about coming here
There is a Student Summer Orientation.
Automotive’s College and Career Center counsels students beginning in the 9th grade.

How to get in
For the pre-engineering program, priority is given to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

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☎ 50 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11222
☎ 718-218-9301, ext. 1001
✉ 14k601@schools.nyc.gov
✉ www.autohs.com
2 things you should know about coming here
- All students learn Chinese (Mandarin) as their foreign language.
- Students are supported all four years through the advisory program.

How to get in
Priority is given to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
125 Stuyvesant Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221
718-574-3126
ddarbee@schools.nyc.gov
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/16/K688

Brooklyn Academy of Science and the Environment
VERONICA PETERSON, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 471
Brooklyn Academy of Science and the Environment (BASE) is a small Brooklyn New Century High School. Our mission is to create an active learning community that addresses the needs of young people while embracing environmental science, environmental justice, urban ecology and science research.

2 cool things about BASE
- We use the resources of Prospect Park, as well as the Brooklyn Botanic Garden.
- Students at BASE experience field studies and project-based learning.

2 things you should know about coming here
- Uniform is required: shirt with school logo, black or tan pants/skirt.
- BASE offers girls and boys PSAL sports.

How to get in
Priority is given to Brooklyn students who attend an information session, then to Brooklyn students or residents, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
6665 Flatlands Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11236
718-986-1689
mjean@schools.nyc.gov
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/18/K578

Brooklyn Democracy Academy
ANDREW BROWN, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 210
Brooklyn Democracy Academy (BDA) is a transfer high school that has a partnership with the Jewish Child Care Association. BDA is committed to providing an interesting, challenging educational program that helps students overcome obstacles and attain their goals. We help our students earn a high school diploma, explore their interests and build important life skills. We also prepare our students for post-secondary education and/or employment.

2 cool things about BDA
- Students can participate in paid internships through our Learning to Work (LTW) program.
- We provide Advocate Counselors to support each student and workshops and seminars for students to explore and develop their talents and interests.

2 things you should know about coming here
- Students must complete one year in a community high school prior to enrolling at BDA.
- BDA offers accelerated credit accumulation in a year-round school year.

How to get in
This school has a rolling admissions policy, accepting students who are 16 years of age or older throughout the year. They must have attended another high school for at least one year and have a minimum 6th grade reading level. Transcripts, a diagnostic assessment test and an interview with school staff are required. Please call the school to schedule an interview.

CONTACT INFORMATION
5985 Rockaway Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11212
718-342-6590, ext. 2491
abrown192@schools.nyc.gov
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/23/K643

Brooklyn Bridge Academy
MAX JEAN-PAUL, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 226
The Brooklyn Bridge Academy (BBA) in partnership with P-E-G-S Health and Human Services System is a small learning community for students who have been truant or who have dropped out of high school. Our comprehensive program includes a challenging academic schedule that maximizes the number of credits that students can earn and prepares them to pass Regents exams.

2 cool things about BBA
- Our support for students includes employment opportunities, access to health care and counseling.
- BBA offers professional internships, as well as job shadowing and excursions.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school is for students aged 16 and older.
- Participation in the school community is expected and required.

How to get in
This school has a rolling admissions policy, accepting students who are 16 years of age or older throughout the year. They must have attended another high school for at least one year and have a minimum 6th grade reading level. Transcripts, a diagnostic assessment test and an interview with school staff are required. Please call the school to schedule an interview.

CONTACT INFORMATION
6665 Flatlands Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11236
718-986-1689
mjean@schools.nyc.gov
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/18/K578

Brooklyn School for Music & Theatre
PAMELA RANDAZZO-DORCY, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 396
Brooklyn School for Music & Theatre (BSMT) uses music and theatre throughout challenging academic curricula to prepare students for higher education and for careers in the music and theatre industries.

2 cool things about BSMT
- Our Production Studio offers courses in performance and production elements.
- Students can participate in the school’s Model UN class and compete annually against other Model UN students all over the world.

2 things you should know about coming here
- Some classes offered include: Theatre Design and Technology, Musical Theatre, Acting, Marching Band, Vocal Music, Dance, Recording and Video Production, Set and Costume Design, Production Management and Marketing.
- After-school and Saturday classes are offered for Regents preparation.

How to get in
An audition is required for performing and visual arts; priority is given to Brooklyn students or residents, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
883 Classon Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11225
718-230-6250
pbrand@schools.nyc.gov
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/17/K548

East Brooklyn Community High School
PATRICK MCGILLICUDDY, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 205
East Brooklyn Community High School is a small transfer school for young people who have been truant or dropped out. Our school works to meet the individual needs of every student. The school is operated jointly by the New York City Department of Education and SCO Family of Services.

2 cool things about East Brooklyn
- Students can participate in paid internships through our Learning to Work (LTW) program.
- With SCO, we provide after-school and summer enrichment programs.

2 things you should know about coming here
- Prospective students must have attended another high school for at least one year.
- There is a required intake process and orientation.

How to get in
This school has a rolling admissions process; students must be 16 years of age or older and be willing and committed to return to a full-time high school. Transcripts and immunization records are required. Please call the school to schedule an interview.

CONTACT INFORMATION
9517 Kings Highway, Brooklyn, NY 11212
718-688-6450
pmcgill@schools.nyc.gov
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/18/K673
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FDNY High School for Fire and Life Safety
JAMES ANDERSON, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 396

FDNY High School works in collaboration with the New York City Fire Department to offer students an exceptional education while introducing the occupational benefits of the Fire Services and Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

2 cool things about FDNY
- Upon passing the New York State EMS Certification Exam in the 12th grade, our students may have the opportunity to roll into a full-time position with the NYC Fire Department.
- FDNY offers Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Certification, as well as a class called “Firematics”—a chemistry-based course relating to fire science and safety.

2 things you should know about coming here
- FDNY offers a summer internship program, as well as a weekend program.
- FDNY has boys and girls PSAL sports.

How to get in
Priority is given to students who reside in the geographical catchment area and attend an information session, then to Brooklyn students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to students who reside in the geographical catchment area, then to Brooklyn students or residents, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION
- 1600 Rockaway Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11236
- 718-290-8760
- info@iam-hs.org
- www.iam-hs.org

High School for Public Service: Heroes of Tomorrow
BEN SHULDINER, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 417

Our school enables students to develop academic and social skills necessary to be productive contributors to society. We offer a small and dynamic learning environment with many service-learning opportunities, a major component of our school and student life.

2 cool things about Public Service
- Students are encouraged to participate in medical and legal internships and hands-on community service is required. Students completing 200 community service hours by the end of 11th grade will be inducted into the Archon National Community Service Honor Society.
- We offer eight different AP courses.

2 things you should know about coming here
- There is a school uniform.
- Public Service offers girls and boys PSAL sports.

How to get in
Please contact the school for information on the admissions policy. Please contact our Guidance Counselor Debora Chan, at dchan6@schools.nyc.gov or our parent coordinator, Eric Ferreira, at eferreira@schools.nyc.gov, for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
- 600 Kingston Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11203
- 718-756-5325
- bshuhlidi@schools.nyc.gov
- schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/17/K546

High School for Service & Learning at Erasmus
PETER FABIANSKI, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 422

Our mission at High School for Service & Learning (HSSL) is to provide educational experiences that meet the needs of our diverse student population. We build on the potential of our students through a focus on culture, community and civic agreement.

2 cool things about HSSL
- Among the courses offered are personal finance and entrepreneurship, dance, forensic science and AP courses.
- HSSL has extracurricular activities ranging from African Drum to Fashion and Chess.

2 things you should know about HSSL
- HSSL has girls and boys PSAL sports and SAT and PSAT prep.
- Academic support includes after-school, lunchtime and Saturday tutoring.

How to get in
Priority is given to Brooklyn students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Brooklyn students or residents, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
- 911 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11226
- 718-564-2551
- pfabianski@schools.nyc.gov
- schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/17/K539

High School for Youth and Community Development
PAMELA WASHINGTON, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 385

The High School for Youth and Community Development at Erasmus (YCD) is committed to providing arts and media-based programs with a focus on new media technologies. Our goal is to expand our college readiness programs so that more students have increased real-world opportunities for post-secondary education and job training.

2 cool things about YCD
- We support college readiness through our partnerships with College Summit, STARR Inc., Brooklyn College and our Advanced Placement courses, and each student will graduate from YCD with a web-based portfolio.
- In addition to girls and boys PSAL sports, and a wide variety of clubs, there is a Double Dutch team.

2 things you should know about YCD
- YCD offers several AP classes, SAT prep, tutoring and Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP).
- Summer orientation is required for all freshmen.

How to get in
Priority is given to Brooklyn students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Brooklyn students or residents, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
- 911 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11226
- 718-564-2470
- pwashin2@schools.nyc.gov
- schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/17/K537

High School of Telecommunication Arts and Technology
PHILIP WEINBERG, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 1,280

At High School of Telecommunication Arts and Technology (HSTAT), we believe that all students should take the most challenging courses possible, because the best preparation for post-secondary education is four years of challenging work in high school. Our school’s name is somewhat misleading: we certainly believe that the ability to use tools of telecommunication is essential for all of our students, but college preparation is our focus.

2 cool things about HSTAT
- A very high percentage of our students participate in after-school athletic teams.
We offer a special college preparatory program for accelerated students.

2 things you should know about coming here
HSTAT offers a wide variety of AP courses. 9th and 10th grades are divided into Small Learning Communities.

How to get in
This school offers admissions via Education Option, which reserves a proportion of seats based on 7th grade ELA reading exam scores. Priority is given to Brooklyn students or residents, then to all NYC residents. Please call 718-759-3462 to arrange to tour the school while we are in session.

CONTACT INFORMATION
P 350 67th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11220
T 718-750-3400
E pweinbe1@schools.nyc.gov
S schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/20/485

Khalil Gibran International Academy
WINSTON HAMANN, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 82
Khalil Gibran International Academy (KGIA) offers students the opportunity to study the Arabic language and culture and explore careers that require bilingual and multicultural skills such as international business, diplomacy, linguistics, journalism and other related fields.

2 cool things about KGIA
Students receive personalized instruction and support through small class sizes and every student has access to his/her own laptop.

KGIA offers a wide variety of extracurricular activities including literary magazine, drama, chess and playwriting.

2 things you should know about coming here
Every student learns the Arabic language.

The school currently serves students in grades 8-9 and will eventually enroll students up to grade 12 by adding one grade every year.

How to get in
Priority is given to Brooklyn students and NYC residents who attend an information session. For more information about Open Houses and school tours, please call 718-237-2502.

CONTACT INFORMATION
P 362 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn, NY 11217
T 718-237-2502
E ldone@schools.nyc.gov
S schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/13/K592

Lyons Community High School
TAKEO ONISHI, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 527
Grades: 6-12
Lyons Community School is a secondary school that provides a broad, stimulating experience in the liberal arts, preparing students for college, healthy adulthood and lifelong learning. At Lyons, students are known. They are pushed to reach their highest potential while getting essential support and encouragement. They are exposed to new experiences and ideas that expand their horizons and prepare them for healthy and happy adulthood.

2 cool things about Lyons
Our Field Studies program integrates weekly field trips into the curriculum to enhance our students' understanding of the material.

Lyons students call their teachers by their first name, don't wear uniforms and participate in circles, justice panel and mediations in order to have greater agency and independence.

2 things you should know about coming here
Lyons has Summer Session and Bridge programs.

There is a daily advisory class, quarterly conferences with advisors and elective and academic support beginning in the 10th grade.

How to get in
Priority is given to continuing 8th graders, then to New York City residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION
P 542 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn, NY 11226
T 718-782-0918
E lyons@lysomnmschoolorg
S www.lynscommunityschool.org

Olympus Academy
P. J. MURRAY, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 203
In partnership with the New York Center for Interpersonal Development and the Department of Education, Olympus Academy is a transfer school created to meet the needs of students who were previously enrolled in another high school. By engaging in hands-on learning experiences and opportunities for online instruction that have real-world applications, our students will obtain the skills necessary for success and be prepared for the world that awaits them.

2 cool things about Olympus
Our school has an accelerated credit program designed to help students find immediate high school success.

Olympus offers internships and the Learning to Work (LTW) program.

2 things you should know about coming here
Olympus offers one-on-one counseling and small advisory groups.

Courses at Olympus combine traditional instruction with online learning.

How to get in
This school has a rolling admissions policy, and will eventually enroll students up to grade 12.

Students who previously enrolled in another high school. By engaging in hands-on learning experiences and opportunities for online instruction that have real-world applications, our students will obtain the skills necessary for success and be prepared for the world that awaits them.

2 cool things about Lyons
Our Field Studies program integrates weekly field trips into the curriculum to enhance our students' understanding of the material.

Lyons students call their teachers by their first name, don't wear uniforms and participate in circles, justice panel and mediations in order to have greater agency and independence.

2 things you should know about coming here
Lyons has Summer Session and Bridge programs.

There is a daily advisory class, quarterly conferences with advisors and elective and academic support beginning in the 10th grade.

How to get in
Priority is given to continuing 8th graders, then to New York City residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION
P 223 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206
T 718-782-0918
E lyons@lysomnmschoolorg
S www.lynscommunityschool.org

PATHS’ Early College Program allows students to graduate with up to one year of college credits.

2 cool things about PATHS
Our school has partnerships with the professional performing arts community as well as institutions of higher learning, to provide our students with the opportunity for internships or college-level study.

Freshman year is composed of 10-week cycles (Dance, Drama, Vocal Music, Digital Photography, or Stage Design) so that the students can select a major by the end of the year.

2 things you should know about coming here
Priority is given to students who reside in the geographcal catchment area and attend an information session, then to Brooklyn students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to students who reside in the geographical catchment area, then to Brooklyn students or residents, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION
P 400 Pennsylvania Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207
T 718-922-0762
E rrichard@schools.nyc.gov
S schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/19/K507

World Academy for Total Community Health High School
KIM WANLISS, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 380
World Academy for Total Community Health High School (WATCH) prepares students for careers in the health industry through a challenging program leading to an Advanced Regents Diploma. WATCH creates a socially supporting learning environment, which ensures student success through access to internships and community service opportunities within the health care industry.

2 cool things about WATCH
Our three programs of study (Medical Science, Health Science and Community Health) are each specially designed with a variety of professions in mind.

In the Medical Careers Program, hospital internships are available, and a Certified Nursing Assistant Program is offered to eligible students.
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2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a uniform.
- Students must complete four years of science and math instruction.

How to get in
Priority is given to students who reside in the geographical catchment area and attend an information session, then to Brooklyn students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to students who reside in the geographical catchment area, then to Brooklyn students or residents, then to all NYC residents.

Open House sessions are held during the first week in November; dates are posted on the WATCH website.

CONTACT INFORMATION
☎ 400 Pennsylvania Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207
☎ 718-922-0650
✉ kwains@schools.nyc.gov
✉ www.worldacademyforhealth.org

The Young Women's Leadership School, Brooklyn ♀
TALAN A BRADLEY, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 250
Grades: 6-12 (planned)
The Young Women's Leadership Schools (TYWLS) were established to nurture the intellectual curiosity and creativity of young women by supporting the "whole girl" in order to maximize academic achievement, social-emotional well being, and post-secondary success. TYWLS is supported by the Young Women's Leadership Network and its CollegeBound Initiative in order to replicate the best practices of private and independent girls schools.

2 cool things about TYWLS, Brooklyn
- Our school features a small interdisciplinary learning environment, with collaborative group work and project-based instruction.
- Advisory classes focus on female adolescent development, positive self-image and early college awareness.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a required uniform.
- There is a community service requirement for graduation.

How to get in
This school is open only to female students. Priority is given to continuing 8th graders, then to Brooklyn students or residents, then to NYC residents. Open Houses will take place on Wednesday, November 28, 2012, at 5:30 p.m.

CONTACT INFORMATION
☎ 223 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206
☎ 718-387-5641
✉ admissions@tywlsbrooklyn.org
✉ www.ywlnetwork.org

Manhattan

Academy for Software Engineering
SEUNG YU, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 135

Our Career and Technical Education (CTE) high school prepares students to design and create the next generation of software and applications. By partnering directly with New York City's tech industry, students learn advanced computing skills and use cutting-edge equipment to foster innovations in the arts, sciences and business.

2 cool things about Software Engineering
- We offer internships (with professional mentors) in New York City's tech industry.
- Small academic classes integrate industry internships, team projects, and other real-world, problem-based experiences.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a job-shadowing and internship requirement.
- There is a Student and Parent Summer Orientation.

How to get in
Priority is given to Manhattan students or residents who attend an information session, then to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to Manhattan students or residents, then to NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION
☎ 40 Irving Place, New York, NY 10003
☎ 718-935-3463
✉ info@aafsny.org
✉ www.aafsny.org

Bread and Roses Integrated Arts High School
RODNEY Lofton, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 518

Our mission is to educate and develop responsible citizens who demonstrate leadership skills, excellence of character, scholastic achievement and a commitment to community service. Our school’s focus is developing students’ civic awareness while strengthening their contribution to the world and their community. Students will learn how art can be a medium to create social consciousness in their communities and the world around them.

2 cool things about Bread and Roses
- Exposure to the arts and community service projects will be used to broaden students’ academic horizons.
- Students prepare portfolios in all classes to assess their growth and development.

2 things you should know about coming here
- School uniform is required.
- Every student must complete a 40-hour service-learning project as a graduation requirement.
Community Health Academy of the Heights
MARK HOUSE, PRINCIPAL
Total students: 578
Grades: 6-12
Community Health Academy of the Heights (CHAH) has a community theme that reflects our belief that the health of the individual is connected to the health of his or her community. Beginning in middle school, students will be introduced to the basic concepts and have a working knowledge of community health, community service, and healthy living. In high school, students will deepen, enhance and become empowered to put into practice the elements of the role of the individual in creating and sustaining a healthy community. Beginning in the fall of 2013, we will be moving into our newly constructed school building.

2 cool things about CHAH
- We offer community health-related service learning and internship opportunities, including a pre-internship hospital mentoring program.
- All students are expected to participate in community project internships.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a dress code.
- 100% of CHAH’s graduating seniors were accepted into college last year.

How to get in
Priority is given to New York City residents who attend an information session. Please contact the school’s principal at 212-568-3401 for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION
P 439 West 49th Street, New York, NY 10019
212-246-2183
Jsolomon@nycBOSS.org
www.nycboss.org

Frank McCourt High School
DANIELLE SALZBERG, PRINCIPAL
Total students: 219
At Frank McCourt High School (FMHS), we prepare our students to be articulate and effective communicators in every medium. In particular, we develop students’ communication skills through their writing, presentations, classroom discussions and peer dialogue. In developing these skills, students also sharpen their critical and analytical thinking.

2 cool things about FMHS
- We have “blended classes,” where two teachers teach two different subjects and the connections between them.
- Our school offers online language classes in Chinese, French, German and Latin.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a 2-credit requirement of internship-related action research.
- Non-traditional assessments are used to measure student progress, in addition to regular teamwork and group presentations.

How to get in
This school has a selective admissions policy. Please consult the NYC Department of Education Directory of High Schools for more information. Please contact the school for Open House information.

Contact Information
P 145 West 84th Street, New York, NY 10024
212-362-2015
fmhsny@gmail.com
www.frankmccourthighschool.org

Manhattan Bridges High School
MIRZA SANCHEZ MEDINA, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 595
Manhattan Bridges High School is a bilingual school rooted in the belief that the mastery of communication skills in both English and Spanish as a native language is key to realizing a student’s fullest potential in a multicultural society. Our mission is to ensure that students develop the speaking, reading, writing, and listening skills needed to succeed in a rigorous academic program designed to prepare them for higher education or entrance into the work-force. In addition, we are committed to assisting students in maintaining the richness of their native language and culture.

2 cool things about Manhattan Bridges
- We offer a dual-language curriculum.
- Students can study information technology, computer science and pre-engineering, in either English or Spanish.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a dress code.
- There is an extended day program, and a student summer orientation. A weekend program is also offered.

How to get in
This school is open only to New York City residents whose native language is Spanish, who are of limited English proficiency and have lived in the United States fewer than three years. Parents and prospective students are welcome to tour our school and meet our faculty every Friday from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon during the months of October through December 2012. Please call 212-757-5274 to make an appointment.

CONTACT INFORMATION
P 525 West 50th Street, New York, NY 10019
212-757-5274
msanchez4@schools.nyc.gov
www.manhattanbridges.org

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Millennium High School

COLIN MCEVOY, PRINCIPAL
Total students: 626

The mission of the school is to provide a challenging academic program. Four years of credit is required in all major subjects. Students take a core curriculum in grades 9 and 10 and then choose courses in grades 11 and 12. The core curriculum includes a two-year sequence of Biology and Chemistry, Writing, English, Math and Global Studies.

2 cool things about Millennium

● An advisor is assigned to each 9th grader and remains with the student for four years.
● We offer language classes in Chinese (Mandarin) and Spanish.

2 things you should know about coming here

This school offers Advanced Placement courses.

How to get in

Priority is given to students who live in the following zip codes: 10002, 10004, 10005, 10006, 10007, 10012, 10013, 10038 or 10280, then to Manhattan students or residents, then to New York City residents. Please visit our school website for fall tour information. Registration is required; please register at www.millenniumhs.org.

CONTACT INFORMATION

☎ 75 Broad Street, New York, NY 10004
☎ 212-825-9008
☎ contact@millenniumhs.org
重要因素 website for www.millenniumhs.org.

NYC iSchool

ISORA BAILEY, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 450

Located in SoHo in lower Manhattan, the NYC iSchool is a small, selective public high school dedicated to equipping students with the skills necessary for success and leadership in the 21st century. The iSchool program is designed to offer students opportunities to engage in meaningful work that has relevance to them and the world, choice and responsibility in determining their high school experience and unique structures to support their development.

2 cool things about NYC iSchool

● Students take quarter-long module courses where they work with experts on real-world problems.
● Students pick their courses and receive an individualized schedule so as to ensure that each student is getting what he or she needs when he or she needs it.

2 things you should know about coming here

The school day runs from 9:00 a.m.-3:20 p.m. and, three days a week, all of the teachers have conference with a teacher in a different location (some via distance learning (a video conference with a teacher in a different location) and some through online instruction.

How to get in

This school offers Advanced Placement courses.

Ques to Learn

ELISA ARAGON, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 232
Grades: 6-12 (planned)

Design and innovation are at the heart of Quest to Learn (Q2L). We are a school committed to helping students achieve excellence in the skills and literacies required for college and career success in the 21st century. These include traditional skills and literacies (reading, numeracy, writing, etc.) as well as analytical thinking, creativity, collaboration, problem solving, judgment and reflection and fluency with digital media and design. It is our goal to create a nurturing school experience relevant to the interests and lives of our students, focused on student futures (college and career) in a rapidly changing world.

2 cool things about Q2L

● Some classes are taught via direct classroom instruction, some via distance learning (a video conference with a teacher in a different location) and some through online instruction.
● We offer an Early College Program at the New School.

2 things you should know about coming here

There is an internship requirement for graduation.

How to get in

Priority is given to students who live in the following zip codes: 10002, 10004, 10005, 10006, 10007, 10012, 10013, 10038 or 10280, then to Manhattan students or residents, then to New York City residents. Please visit our school website for fall tour information. Registration is required; please register at www.q2l.org.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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☎ 212-488-3645
☎ Q2Lornterschool@q2l.org
重要因素 website for www.q2l.org.

Thurgood Marshall Academy for Learning and Social Change

SEAN DAVENPORT, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 650
Grades: 6-12 (planned)

Thurgood Marshall Academy (TMA) is an academically rigorous environment where college and career readiness drive instruction and practices. Every student will embrace his/her global responsibility, have a vision for the future, a plan for realizing that vision and the knowledge, skills and experiences for setting it in motion.

2 cool things about TMA

● Thurgood Marshall incorporates parental involvement as well as collaborative efforts with institutions, organizations and resources in Central Harlem.

How to get in

This school is open only to female students. Priority is given to continuing 8th graders; then to District 2 students or residents, then to NYC residents. Please contact L. McDougald, parent coordinator, at 212-283-8055, ext. 1130, for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION

☎ 145 Convent Avenue, New York, NY 10027
☎ 212-283-8055
☎ lcmcdougald@schools.nyc.gov
重要因素 school’s website for www.newvisions.org.
Queens

1. **Academy for Careers in Television and Film**
   
   **MARK DUNETZ, PRINCIPAL**
   Total Students: 419
   
   Academy for Careers in Television and Film (ACTVF) prepares students for careers in movie and television production. As a small school, we provide individualized academic support and extensive career mentoring. Students learn by working alongside industry professionals with state-of-the-art equipment.
   
   **2 cool things about ACTVF**
   - Our school has New York City's most extensive preparatory program for careers in television and film production.
   - ACTVF has its own student film production company, Next Step Productions, that produces films for a variety of clients.
   
   **2 things you should know about coming here**
   - The school graduated 96% of its first class in June 2012.
   - Because ACTVF is a Career and Technical Education (CTE) school, students may be eligible for state-approved and industry-sponsored CTE endorsements.

   **How to get in**
   This school has a limited unscreened admissions policy. Priority is given to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Open Houses will be held Thursday, October 25 and Wednesday, November 14, 2012, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
   
   **CONTACT INFORMATION**
   📧 36-41 28th Street, Queens, NY 11106
   📞 718-472-0536
   📧 info@actvf.org
   🌐 www.actvf.org

2. **Bayside High School**
   
   **MICHAEL ATHY, PRINCIPAL**
   Total Students: 3,450
   
   Bayside High School seeks to provide all students with a valuable, rewarding experience preparing them for college and beyond, with in-depth, wrap-around student services, a wide array of clubs and teams and rigorous, college-focused academics.
   
   **2 cool things about Bayside**
   - Students have the opportunity to graduate with college credits and professional-level certifications in a field of their choice.
   - There are seven different programs, including Visual & Digital Art, International & Cultural Relations, and Sports Medicine & Management.

   **How to get in**
   This school offers 25 AP and 25 college-accredited courses. The school requires internships and community service of all students.
   
   **How to get in**
   Some programs require auditions or have selective admissions policies. Please consult the DOE High School Directory for more information and audition dates. Open Houses will be held Tuesday, October 23 and Thursday, November 1, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. An additional Open House for 7th graders is held in May. For further information, contact Parent Coordinator Sarah Milunec at 718-229-7600 or smilunec@schools.nyc.gov.
   
   **CONTACT INFORMATION**
   📧 32-24 Corporal Kennedy Street, Bayside, NY 11361
   📞 718-229-7600
   📧 mharoutunian@schools.nyc.gov
   🌐 www.baysidehighschool.org

3. **Civic Leadership Academy**
   
   **PHUONG NGUYEN, PRINCIPAL**
   Total Students: 449
   
   Civic Leadership Academy (CLA) offers a challenging academic program with an emphasis on youth development through service learning. Our three core values—commitment to learning, commitment to community and empowerment—promote the social, emotional and academic development of our students by helping them become independent, critical thinkers who are assets to their communities.
   
   **2 cool things about CLA**
   - CLA believes in extensive use of the community and the city as a classroom.
   - Our focus on youth development through service learning helps students discover their capacity to make a difference.

   **How to get in**
   This school has a limited unscreened admissions policy. Priority is given to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House information.
   
   **CONTACT INFORMATION**
   📧 45-10 49th Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373
   📞 718-277-1487
   📧 ponguyen@schools.nyc.gov
   🌐 www.CLAQueens.org

4. **East-West School of International Studies**
   
   **BEN SHERMAN, PRINCIPAL**
   Total Students: 616
   Grades: 6-12
   
   Our highly qualified educational team prepares students for professional careers in an international world, as we believe a thorough understanding of Asia and a firm academic foundation is important to be competitive in the world. Our diverse students are able to experience rigorous and differentiated curricula while in a safe and supportive school culture. Students also become
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experts in Asian culture and language, in addition to fulfilling and exceeding their NYS Regents requirements.

2 cool things about East-West

Students can choose to study Japanese, Korean or Chinese.

There are opportunities for summer study abroad in Asia as well as local partnerships/internships for students.

2 things you should know about coming here

There is a dress code.

The school also includes grades 6-8. There are mentoring opportunities available.

How to get in

This school has a limited unscreened admissions policy. Priority is given to continuing 8th grade students, then to all NYC residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

Contact Information

46-21 Colden Street, Flushing, NY 11355
718-353-0009
bsherna2@schools.nyc.gov
www.ewsis.org

Hillcrest High School

STEVEN DUCH, PRINCIPAL
Total students: 3,103

Hillcrest is a school composed of seven small learning communities with fewer than 500 students each and two one-year immersion programs. Hillcrest is on the cutting edge of providing quality instruction in a nurturing environment. We are recognized as a New York State School of Excellence. Our mission focuses on the individual integrity of each person, with an emphasis on moral values and strong academic programs.

2 cool things about Hillcrest

Each student is given an individualized mini-school program.

There are seven small learning communities: Health Careers Institute; Teachers of Tomorrow; School for the Humanities, Arts & Writing; Pre-Med Program; Theatre Arts; Academy of Public Service & Law; and Biz/Tech as well as Newcomers Academy.

2 things you should know about coming here

This school offers Advanced Placement and College Now classes.

Among the languages offered are Arabic, Bengali, French, Spanish and Urdu.

How to get in

Admissions are open to New York City residents. For Zoned Program only; priority is given to students who live in the zoned area. An Open House will be held Wednesday, October 24, 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For further information, contact Susan Citron at 718-658-5407, ext. 0001, or scitron@schools.nyc.gov.

Contact Information

160-05 Highland Avenue, Jamaica, NY 11432
718-658-5407
smduch@schools.nyc.gov
www.hillcrestweb.com

John Adams High School

DAN SCANLON, INTERIM ACTING PRINCIPAL
Total students: 3,296

We seek to challenge each and every student to learn to his or her fullest potential. We maximize opportunities to address the physical, intellectual, emotional and social needs of each student.

2 cool things about John Adams

The Jump Start Academy for incoming 9th graders gives students the opportunity to begin their high school career in a smaller, more individualized setting with a guidance counselor, reduced class size, extended day programs and summer credit accumulation classes.

Among the many languages offered are Bengali, Italian, and Spanish Native Language Arts.

2 things you should know about coming here

There is a community service requirement.

This school offers boys and girls PSAL sports.

How to get in

Priority is given to District 27 students or residents, then to Queens students or residents, then to New York City residents. For Zoned Program Only; priority is given to students who live in the zoned area. Open Houses will be held in October and November. Please contact the school for dates and times.

Contact Information

Main Building 101-02 Rockaway Boulevard
Ozone Park, NY 11417
718-322-0500
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/27/Q480

North Queens Community High School

WINSTON MCCARTHY, PRINCIPAL
Total students: 200

North Queens Community High School (NQCHS) is a small transfer school designed for young people who, after initial enrollment in 9th grade at a high school within the Queens community, have been truant or dropped out of school. Jointly operated by the New York City Department of Education and SCO Family of Services, NQCHS is designed to provide intensive support and services to students to ensure continued attendance in school.

2 cool things about NQCHS

Each student is assigned an Advocate Counselor throughout their time at the school.

The school does not include grade levels; students progress toward graduation at their own pace.

2 things you should know about coming here

An interview with school staff is required prior to admission.

The academic year is divided into trimesters of study.

How to get in

Via rolling admissions, the school is open to NYC residents 16 years of age or older. Students must have attended another high school for at least one year and have a minimum 6th grade reading level. Transcripts and interviews with school staff are required. NQCHS welcomes visitors from the community, parents and other educational institutions to our school. Please contact the school to arrange a visit.

Contact Information

141-25 77th Road, Flushing, NY 11367
718-380-1650
wmcmcart@schools.nyc.gov
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/25/Q792/

Queens High School for Information Research and Technology

MAGALY HICKS, INTERIM ACTING PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 310

Queens High School for Information Research and Technology (QIRT) offers a small, student-centered learning community committed to providing a challenging academic program for students of diverse backgrounds, achievement levels and interests. Our goal is for each student to acquire the ability to access, interpret, and use information in an effort to communicate effectively.

2 cool things about QIRT

The Queens Library and our other partners help students use various technological tools to expand their intellect and talents through scientific research, field-based learning, web-based communication and problem-solving projects.

We are developing a CTE program in Digital Arts that will include Digital Recording and Graphic Design.

2 things you should know about coming here

This school has a required uniform.

An academic portfolio is required for graduation.

How to get in

Priority is given to NYC residents who attend an information session, then to all NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House information.

Contact Information

821 Bay 25th Street, Far Rockaway, NY 11691
718-866-2978
queensirt@gmail.com
www.queensirt.org

Voyages Preparatory

JOAN KLEINBERG, PRINCIPAL
Total students: 225

We serve students who are at least 16 years old and who have struggled to earn credits in a traditional high school environment. We provide individualized attention and support. We are committed to creating and cultivating a cohesive community of learners that is small, safe, supportive and standards-based. Our fundamental goal is to engage and empower all of our students so they develop the habits of mind that will enable them to maximize their unique academic, social and emotional potentials and live successful and satisfying lives.

2 cool things about Voyages Preparatory

Core academic subjects are enriched by the arts, including music, fine arts, drama and video production.

Teachers and students become a tightly knit family, and students have a voice in everything—even helping to select the books they read.
2 things you should know about coming here
To be eligible for admission, you must have attended another high school for at least one year. An interview with a staff member is required to apply.

How to get in
This school has a rolling admissions policy, open to all NYC students who are 16 years of age or older. Students must have attended another high school for at least one year. Transcripts and an interview with school staff are required. Interested students and their families are always welcome to contact the school in person or by phone to learn more.

CONTACT INFORMATION
P 45-10 94th Street, Flushing, NY 11373
T 718-271-7851
E jklingsberg@schools.nyc.gov
W www.voyagesprep.org

The Young Women’s Leadership School, Queens
AVIONNE GUMBS, PRINCIPAL
Total students: 510
Grades: 6-12
The Young Women’s Leadership Schools (TYWLS) were established to nurture the intellectual curiosity and creativity of young women by supporting the “whole girl” in order to maximize academic achievement, social-emotional well-being and post-secondary success. TYWLS, Queens is supported by Young Women’s Leadership Network and its CollegeBound Initiative in order to replicate the best practices of private and independent girls schools.

2 cool things about TYWLS, Queens
We offer Advanced Placement classes, including Spanish Literature, Composition, Calculus and Biology.
TYWLS, Queens is the third school in our network—we have sister schools in East Harlem, Astoria, Brooklyn and the Bronx.

2 things you should know about coming here
This school is open only to female students; a uniform is required.
Parents are expected to participate in early college activities and the college application process.

How to get in
The school has a selective admissions policy, with preference given to continuing 8th grade students. Consult the DOE High School Directory for more information. An Open House will be held Wednesday, October 17, 2012, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

CONTACT INFORMATION
P 150-91 87th Road, Jamaica, NY 11432
T 718-725-0402
E agumbs@schools.nyc.gov
W www.ywlnetwork.org

New Dorp High School
DEIRDRE DEANGELIS, PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 2,658
We are a comprehensive high school that provides a small, personalized setting for each student in one of our theme-based/career-focused Smaller Learning Communities (SLCs). A challenging learning environment, rich in instructional techniques and support services, combined with a large variety of extracurricular activities, prepares students for college and career opportunities.

2 cool things about New Dorp
We have eight smaller learning communities: Future Teachers Academy; Law, History & Human Rights Institute; Corporate Center for Business & Technology; Institute of Mathematics & Science; Academy of Communication & Media Arts; Academy of Fine & Dramatic Arts; Institute of Health Sciences; and Institute of Forensic Science & Criminology.

Students are exposed to real-world career experiences: for example, the Future Teachers Academy has a student teaching component; the Media students have an online newspaper and a weekly newscast; The Law Institute has internships, and mock trial and moot court competitions; and the Health Science students shadow physical therapists and athletic trainers.

2 things you should know about coming here
Two freshman orientations are held, one in June and one in late August. Internships and community service are required in all programs.

How to get in
This school has a selective admissions policy for some of its small learning communities. Please consult DOE High School Directory for more information. Priority is given to Staten Island students, then to NYC students. For the Zoned Program, priority is given to students who live in the zoned area. An Information night will be held on October 30 at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Parent Coordinator Donna LeChillgrien, at 718-667-8686, ext. 1, to arrange an appointment.

CONTACT INFORMATION
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T 718-667-8686
E dddeangelis@schools.nyc.gov
W schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/31/R440
Staten Island  

Port Richmond High School  
TIMOTHY M. GANNON, PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 2,151  
Using small, interest-based learning communities and a strong honors program open to students from all academies, we are a comprehensive community that empowers students to reach their highest academic potential while providing a nurturing environment. Our students are exposed to a wide array of extracurricular and athletic activities in combination with a challenging academic program that prepares them for college and the world of work.  

2 cool things about Port Richmond  
- We have eight small learning communities: Gateway Academy for Health and Applied Sciences; Culinary Arts; Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps; Performing & Visual Arts; Institute of Business Technology & Entrepreneurship; Television, Broadcasting, and Media Arts; Medical Technology; and Institute for Civic Leadership.  
- Our smaller learning communities are aligned with Staten Island Hospital, The NBA Entertainment Division, IBM, The Ritz Carlton Hotel, Wagner College and Community Television.  

2 things you should know about coming here  
- All 9th graders must participate in the Freshman Academy, designed to address individual student needs at the beginning of their high school career.  
- Port Richmond offers many AP and College Now courses.  

How to get in  
Certain programs at this high school offer admission via Education Option, which reserves a proportion of seats based on 7th grade ELA reading exam scores. Please consult the DOE’s High Schools Directory, for more information. Priority is given to Staten Island students and then to NYC students. For the Zoned Program, priority is given to students who live in the zoned area. Please call our parent coordinator at 718-420-2100, ext. 2103, for Open House information.  

CONTACT INFORMATION  
85 St. Josephs Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10302  
718-420-2100  
31R445@schools.nyc.gov  
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/31/R445  

Elementary and Middle Schools  

Brooklyn  

PEACE Academy (MS 596)  
LISA RETIER, PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 135  
Grades: 6-8  
PEACE Academy stands for Purposeful, Ethics, Advocacy, Community and Environment. We believe that each child is a valuable human being whose voice and actions can change the world. PEACE Academy will empower students to be future leaders through the expertise of dedicated educators who are committed to providing rigorous, differentiated curriculum that promotes academic achievement, social development and personal growth. Working together as a community toward creating a positive impact on our world, PEACE Academy students will graduate prepared to succeed at competitive high schools and colleges and excel as citizens of the world.  

2 cool things about PEACE  
- Each week, in addition to the core subjects, students participate in Explorations in Research and Technology Class, where they engage in hands-on research on select topics.  
- Our students participate in Service Learning Projects that are designed to enhance the school community and local community.  

2 things you should know about coming here  
- This school has a dress code.  
- PEACE offers a summer session.  

How to get in  
Priority is given to students in District 13 and who demonstrate interest by attending an information session, Open House, or Middle School Fair. Please contact the school for Open House information.  

CONTACT INFORMATION  
300 Willoughby Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11205  
718-230-5400  
retierl@schools.nyc.gov  
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/13/K596  

The Parkway School (PS 167)  
MARCI-HERALDE MARDY, PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 468  
Grades: Pre-K-5  
The Parkway School is an elementary school, commencing in the 2012-2013 school year, that will focus on mathematics and science. Our goal is to use project-based learning to develop the students’ knowledge of mathematics and science.  

2 cool things about Parkway  
- Our Environmental Lab has a mini-rainforest. Our students are creating a school-based farmers market by growing fruits and vegetables in the school’s community garden.  

2 things you should know about coming here  
- Students are exposed to a wide array of extracurricular and athletic activities in combination with a challenging academic program that prepares them for college and the world of work.  
- Port Richmond offers many AP and College Now courses.  

How to get in  
Certain programs at this high school offer admission via Education Option, which reserves a proportion of seats based on 7th grade ELA reading exam scores. Please consult the DOE’s High Schools Directory, for more information. Priority is given to Staten Island students and then to NYC students. For the Zoned Program, priority is given to students who live in the zoned area. Please call our parent coordinator at 718-420-2100, ext. 2103, for Open House information.  

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schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/31/R445  

Manhattan  

Twenty-first Century Academy for Community Leadership (PS/IS 210)  
EVELYN LINARES, PRINCIPAL  
Total Students: 441  
Grades: Pre-K-8  
In partnership with the Community Association of Progressive Dominicans, Inc. (ACDP), children and families are provided with the social, emotional, physical and academic support that they need to be productive citizens. Our school is dedicated to achieving academic excellence for all its students, through standards-driven instruction, a nurturing environment and the development of the civic and social skills necessary to function productively.  

2 cool things about 21st Century  
- Our school is a dual-language school: English and Spanish.  
- We are proud to offer violin lessons through a partnership with the Midori Foundation.  

2 things you should know about coming here  
- Open to children and families in District 6. Please contact the school for Open House information.  
- Periodic assessments are conducted in both languages through the year to inform instruction.  

How to get in  
Priority is given to students in District 13 and who demonstrate interest by attending an information session, Open House, or Middle School Fair. Please contact the school for Open House information.  

CONTACT INFORMATION  
501-503 West 152nd Street, New York, NY 10031  
212-283-0012  
cquezada2@schools.nyc.gov  
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/06/M210  

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4 Shuang Wen School (PS 184)
IRIS CHIU, INTERIM ACTING PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 646
Grades: Pre-K-8
Shuang Wen School incorporates a bilingual and bicultural approach with parent involvement and community support to prepare our children to attain the highest standards in an increasingly global society. The school atmosphere is very warm, inviting, and friendly – a big family community where everyone cares for the development of all students.

2 cool things about Shuang Wen
- Our school is a dual language school: all students take Mandarin Chinese and English.
- Our extended day program allows students to take part in cultural activities and other after-school programs.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a dress code.
- Community service is required for graduation.

How to get in
Open to District 1 children and families. Please contact the school for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION
327 Cherry Street, New York, NY 10002
212-602-9700
parentcoordinator184@yahoo.com
schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/01/M184

5 Thurgood Marshall Academy
Lower School
DAWN BROOKS DECOSTA, INTERIM ACTING PRINCIPAL
Total Students: 203
Grades: K-5
The mission of Thurgood Marshall Academy Lower School (TMALS) is grounded in the belief that all children can learn and have the fundamental right to reach their fullest, individual potential. As a reflection of the African proverb, “It takes a village to raise a child,” our school values parent partnerships and collaborative efforts with various community-based organizations, businesses and other institutions within and outside the Harlem community.

2 cool things about TMALS
- The Abyssinian Development Corporation (ADC), developed through the Abyssinian Baptist Church, is the major community-based sponsor for TMALS.
- We offer African Drumming, Dance, Visual Arts, and Step Classes at TMALS.

2 things you should know about coming here
- This school has a uniform.
- There are required parent volunteer hours.

How to get in
Admission is open to District 5 children and families. Please contact the school for Open House information.

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My Top 5 Schools

1. Name of school:
   Contact information:
   Why I like it:
   What I need to get in:
   When will I visit:

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   Contact information:
   Why I like it:
   What I need to get in:
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Stay on Track!

Summer before 8th grade:
Attend high school admissions workshops, prepare for specialized high school exam, begin to plan for school visits and Open Houses as well as auditions and upcoming borough- and citywide fairs.

September:
Register for specialized high school exam or schedule auditions. Begin attending Open Houses and visiting schools. Attend the Citywide High School fair on September 29-30.

October-November:
Attend the Borough-wide High School Fairs on October 13-14. Register for and take the specialized high school exam. Continue to attend open houses and school visits.

December:
Submit your high school application for December 3rd Round 1 deadline.

Early Spring:
Find out where you have been accepted.

Late Spring:
Appeal if you are unsatisfied with your placement. Round 2 you can apply for new schools that will open in September 2013.

All dates are subject to change.
For updated information, check out: schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment/High/Calendar.