

















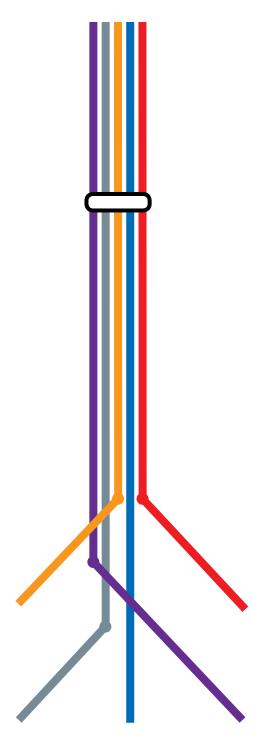






Your Journey to Success Starts Here →

Guide to Choosing a NYC High School 2012-2013



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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

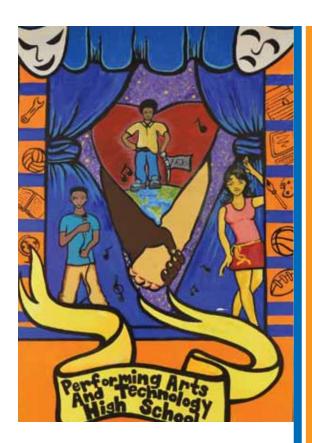
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Founded in 1989, New Visions for Public Schools designs, creates and sustains effective public schools for students in high needs neighborhoods. Our network of 76 schools, serving more than 40,000 students at all levels through the five boroughs, strives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

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"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



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.

- 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.
- 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.



"Our teachers remind us every day that we are collegebound 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.

 $\label{thm:linear_problem} \mbox{Visitn New Visions for Public Schools' website: www.newvisions.org.}$

"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







Using the Guide ->

The following list includes schools that partner with New Visions for Public Schools, a nonprofit partnership organization that provides support to a network of public schools in New York City. Additional information on each school can be found in the 2012-2013 High School Directory published by the NYC Department of Education. Please note that some schools admit students based on middle school grades and standardized test scores. These schools are identified in this guide by the ◆ symbol.

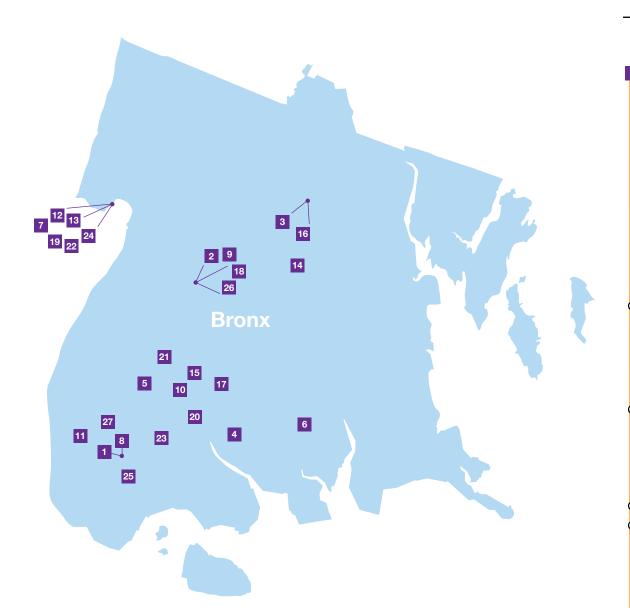
CTE schools refer to career and technical education programs that offer specific career experience while preparing students for a Regents Diploma. Transfer schools are for students who have fallen behind in credits and are between 15 and 21 years old. International schools offer rigorous curriculum for students who have recently arrived to the U.S. and are English Language Learners (ELL).

All schools are required to offer special education services and special services for students who are still learning English. Consult the NYC Department of Education's website for additional

information: schools.nyc.gov/academics/ specialeducation and schools.nyc.gov/ academics/ELL.

Most schools offer athletic opportunities and extracurricular clubs and activities. Due to space restrictions, this guide does not list every school's full list of sports and clubs. Consult the DOE High School Directory or contact the school for more information.

- ◆ Selective or Screened Admission Policy
- Ungraded Transfer High School



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 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.

How to get in

Attend an Open House or contact the school for additional information. Open Houses will be held November 15, 2012 and December 6, 2012 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

CONTACT INFORMATION

333 East 151 Street, Bronx, NY 10451

7 718-993-5000

■ 07X600@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/07/X600

Belmont 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

→ 500 East Fordham Road, Bronx, NY 10458

7 718-733-8100

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

P 800 East Gun Hill Road, Bronx, NY 10467

2 718-696-3340

✓ 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

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

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 another 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

2 718-992-7089

■ etom2@schools.nyc.gov

▼ www.bcsmschool.com

Bronx Community High School *

FLORA GREENAWAY, PRINCIPAL

Total Students: 179

In partnership with F-E-G-S, Bronx Community High School (BCHS) is a small transfer school designed for young people who have been truant or dropped out of school. BCHS is designed to provide intensive support and services to students to ensure continued attendance in school.

2 cool things about BCHS

BCHS has an accelerated credit program, allowing students the opportunity to earn up to 18 credits per year.

Each student is assigned an Advocate Counselor throughout his/her time at our school—each counselor works with no more than 25 students.

2 things you should know about coming here

Students must participate in orientations.

All students participate in community building and community service and are eligible for paid internships.

How to get in

BCHS admits students on a rolling admissions basis. Students must be 16 years of age or older and must have attended high school for at least one year. Students 16 years old must have 5-10 credits and students 17 years old must have 10-25 credits and two Regents exams with scores of 65 or above. Transcripts are required and an intake appointment is mandatory. Please contact the school to request an appointment for an intake interview

CONTACT INFORMATION

₱ 1980 Lafayette Avenue, Bronx, NY 10473

7 718-892-1026

✓ fgreena@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/08/X377

Bronx Engineering and Technology Academy

PATRICE ENGLISH-YOUNG, INTERIM ACTING **PRINCIPAL**

Total Students: 444

Bronx Engineering and Technology Academy (BETA) is designed to prepare students with the skills and knowledge necessary to solve realworld problems through the lens of engineering. BETA's rigorous curriculum prepares students to become technologically literate citizens. We are committed to teaching our students how to learn, how to think as engineers and to helping them rediscover the wonder and joy of learning.

2 cool things about BETA

Our school offers day trips to the Manhattan College campus.

We are a National Academy Foundation School: Academy of Engineering, Academy of Information Technology.

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

7 718-563-6678

□ penglish-young@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/10/X213

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

7 718-292-3638

▼ Imendez4@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/07/X381

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

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

2 718-733-5274

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/10/X439

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

P 800 Home Street, Bronx, NY 10456

2 718-991-6349

afiorentino2@schools.nyc.gov

www.bronxlatin.com

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

2 718-292-7171

★ kcallaghan@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/07/X527

Bronx School of Law and Finance

JESSICA GORING, 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

2 718-561-0113

www.LawandFinance.org

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 Artsendorsed 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 and other internships through Roundabout Theatre Company.

2 things you should know about coming here

 Extended day program and student summer orientation are mandatory.

All students are mandated to participate in theatre arts courses in grade 9 and are encouraged to continue to participate in grades 10-12.

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

7 718-329-2902

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 math (including calculus), science (including chemistry and physics), English and social studies and three to four years of Spanish.
- Community service, extended day and Saturday programs are required of all students.

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, then to NYC residents. Incoming freshmen are expected to attend a Summer Bridge program prior to 9th grade.

CONTACT INFORMATION

P 925 Astor Avenue, Bronx, NY 10469

7 718-944-3635

≤ salvare6@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/11/X288

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.

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 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 contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION

→ 1716 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10460

2 718-861-8641

✓ sscrogin@eastbronxacademy.org

www.eastbronxacademy.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

800 East Gun Hill Road, Bronx, NY 10467

7 718-944-5610

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schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/11/X544

"Three things that I have learned from BCSM: Ask for help when you need it, don't be afraid to try new things and don't ever give up, you have to keep going, you can't just stop because of one thing."

Ambar, Bronx Center for Science and Mathematics '13

17 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 enable them to take 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.

O 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

2 718-860-8120

rnamnun@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/12/X550

Bronx continued

Knowledge and Power Preparatory Academy International High School

PANOREA PANAGIOSOULIS, PRINCIPAL Total Students: 324

Knowledge and Power Preparatory Academy (KAPPA) International High School seeks to inspire and empower scholars to become lifelong learners, well equipped for the challenges of college and prepared to participate as compassionate citizens in the ever-expanding global community. KAPPA's goal is to cultivate compassionate global citizens.

2 cool things about KAPPA

- We encourage all of our students to participate in the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program, a demanding and internationally recognized program that allows students to earn up to one year of college credit.
- KAPPA's curriculum has a strong focus on international travel.

2 things you should know about coming here

- This school has a dress code and an extended day (7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.).
- Most classes have a 10:1 student to teacher ratio at KAPPA.

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

- 500 East Fordham Road, Bronx, NY 10458
- **7** 718-933-1247
- ✓ ppanagi@schools.nyc.gov
- www.kappainternational.org

Marble Hill High School for International Studies ♦

KIRSTEN LARSON, PRINCIPAL Total Students: 447

Marble Hill High School for International Studies is a college preparatory school with focuses on global awareness and world languages. Our goal is to promote understanding and knowledge of

"My school has pushed me really far. Being there boosted my confidence and now I know I'm ready for college and everything that comes with it."

Intisarul, Academy for Careers in Television and Film '12

other cultures and our students' role in the world as we prepare students for the future.

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
- **7** 718-561-0973
- 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. 1260.

CONTACT INFORMATION

> 1110 Boston Road, Bronx, NY 10456

2 718-542-3700

cosewal@schools.nyc.gov

www.morrisacademyhs.com

Mott Hall Bronx High School

KATHRYN MALLOY, PRINCIPAL Total Students: 354

Mott Hall Bronx High School is a small, collegeprep high school whose mission is to use a liberal arts curriculum to prepare students for college and empower them personally and academically to succeed in an ever-changing world.

2 cool things about Mott Hall

Students have opportunities to travel abroad to other continents such as Africa and India, and to leave school several times a year to participate in community service projects.

We have an open access International Baccalaureate (IB) Program, a demanding and internationally recognized program that allows students to earn up to one year of college credit.

2 things you should know about coming here

- This school has a uniform.
- There is an internship requirement and an extended day program.

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

2 1595 Bathgate Avenue, Bronx, NY 10457

2 718-466-6800

gpeguero@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/09/X252

New Visions Charter High School for Advanced 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

2 718-817-7683

■ 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, challenged-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

> 900 Tinton Avenue, Bronx NY 10455

2 718-665-3671

➤ AMS2@charter.newvisions.org

www.newvisions.org/Charter/AMSII

New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities

SETH LEWIS LEVIN, PRINCIPAL Total Students: 250

At New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities (HUM), we offer New York City students a rigorous charter high school education with real-world experiences that will prepare them for college and, ultimately, for careers in education, the arts, law and public service and the media. Our campus, the John F. Kennedy campus, is comprised of eight schools. We play sports together, share resources and work cooperatively to ensure that all students on our campus are successful.

2 cool things about HUM

 We provide students with real-world opportunities to prepare for careers in public service.

Writing is integrated into the curriculum across all subject areas, so that students learn how to write for different purposes and audiences.

2 things you should know about coming here

All students are required to wear a uniform.

This school will eventually serve grades 9-12; currently it serves grades 9-10.

How to get in

Admission is by lottery with preference given to students residing in District 10. Please contact the school for Open House dates and times.

CONTACT INFORMATION

99 Terrace View Avenue, Bronx, NY 10463

2 718-817-7686

≤ slewislevin31@charter.newvisions.org

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

2 455 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10455

2 718-665-5380

■ 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.

O 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

2 718-563-7139

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.

${\bf 2}$ 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

7 718-731-2590

info@tywlsbronx.org

✓ www.TYWLSBronx.org



Brooklyn

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

7 718-773-0128

✓ dmartin8@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

999 Jamaica Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11208

2 718-827-2469

 ■ aoiths@gmail.com

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/19/K618

3 Automotive High School

CATERINA LAFERGOLA-STANCZUK, 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

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

50 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11222

3 718-218-9301, 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).

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

7 718-574-3126

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 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

№ 883 Classon Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11225

2 718-230-6363

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/17/K547

🏮 Brooklyn Bridge Academy 💠

MAX JEAN-PAUL, PRINCIPAL Total Students: 226

The Brooklyn Bridge Academy (BBA) in partnership with F·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

6565 Flatlands Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11236

2 718-968-1689

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, and accepts students who are 16 years of age or older throughout the year. Students and their parents/guardians must go through an intake process at the school. Intake is ongoing Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m.

CONTACT INFORMATION

985 Rockaway Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11212

7 718-342-6590, ext. 2491

abrown192@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/23/K643

Brooklyn School for Music & Theatre

PAMELA RANDAZZO-DORCELY, 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

2 718-230-6250

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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

There is 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

2 718-688-6450

schools.nyc.govSchoolPortals/18/K673

Brooklyn continued

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

- 400 Pennsylvania Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207
- **7** 718-922-0389
- schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/19/K502

High School for Innovation in Advertising and Media

ADALEZA MICHELENA, PRINCIPAL Total Students: 340

Through a unique partnership with the advertising industry, High School for Innovation in Advertising and Media (IAM) provides a strong education that prepares students for college and careers. Mentorships, internships and long-term advertising projects reflect real-world experience.

2 cool things about IAM

- Students may graduate with an Advanced Regents diploma and certifications in Microsoft Office and Adobe software.
- IAM is a CTE school. Students may be eligible for state-approved and industry-sponsored education endorsements to pursue work in the industry or college.

2 things you should know about coming here

- Mentorships and internships are required for graduation.
- IAM offers girls and boys PSAL sports.

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

1600 Rockaway Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11236

- **2** 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
- **2** 718-756-5325
- ➤ bshuldi@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
- **7** 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
- **5** 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

→ 350 67th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11220

2 718-750-3400

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/20/K485

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

362 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn, NY 11217

7 718-237-2502

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/13/K592

Lyons Community High School

TAEKO 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

223 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

2 718-782-0918

www.lyonscommunityschool.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 accepts students 16 years of age or older throughout the year. Interested students must have attended high school for at least one year. Students should contact the school to request an intake appointment.

CONTACT INFORMATION

755 East 100th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11236

2 718-272-1926

✓ intake@olympusacademy.org

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/18/K635

Performing Arts and Technology High School

REGINALD RICHARDSON, PRINCIPAL Total Students: 453

At Performing Arts and Technology High School (PATHS), we provide students who are passionate about the performing arts (Dance, Vocal, Music or Drama) and arts-related technology (Audio/Video Production or Multimedia Arts) high-level training in the arts within the context of a comprehensive, college preparatory high school education. We value collaboration and challenging, inquiry-based work to develop leadership capacity in all members of our school community.

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

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

Several online AP classes are offered.

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

2 400 Pennsylvania Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207

7 718-922-0762

✓ rrichar6@schools.nyc.gov

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 specifically 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

A00 Pennsylvania Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207

2 718-922-0650

www.worldacademyforhealth.org

The Young Women's Leadership School, Brooklyn ◆

TALANA BRADLEY, PRINCPIAL 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

2 718-387-5641

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 technology and entrepreneurial community, 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

Au Irving Place, New York, NY 10003

718-935-3463

✓ info@afsenyc.org

www.afsenyc.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.

How to get in

Open to all NYC residents. Please contact the school to schedule a visit.

CONTACT INFORMATION

6 Edgecombe Avenue, New York, NY 10030

2 212-926-4152

✓ rlofton@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/schoolportals/05/M685

Business of Sports School

JOSHUA SOLOMON, PRINCIPAL Total students: 416

Business of Sports School (BOSS) is a small Career and Technical Education (CTE) high school. We expect our students to learn the fundamentals of business and entrepreneurship and to graduate prepared for careers as business analysts, marketers, entrepreneurs and journalists.

2 cool things about BOSS

Students have opportunities for real-world learning in the sports management industry through internships and other job-related activities.

Industry certification is available in Microsoft Office and Workforce Readiness.

2 things you should know about BOSS

On designated days there is a business dress code.

This school has a community service and internship requirement, in addition to an extended day program.

How to get in

Priority is given to Manhattan students and residents who attend an information session, then to New York City residents who attend an information session, then to Manhattan students or residents, then to New York City residents. Open Houses will be held on Tuesdays, October 23 and November 13, 2012, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

CONTACT INFORMATION

A39 West 49th Street, New York, NY 10019

2 212-246-2183

Grades: 6-12

www.nycboss.org

Community Health Academy of the Heights

MARK HOUSE, PRINCIPAL Total students: 578

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 parent coordinator at 212-568-3401 for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION

₱ 512 West 182nd Street, New York, NY 10033

2 212-568-3401

schools.nyc.gov/schoolportals/06/M346

🚺 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

145 West 84th Street, New York, NY 10024

2 212-362-2015

✓ fmhsnyc@gmail.com

www.frankmccourthighschool.org

Frederick Douglass Academy II Secondary School

OSEI OWUSU AFRIYIE, PRINCIPAL

Total students: 413 Grades: 6-12 (planned)

Frederick Douglass Academy (FDA) II helps scholars realize the dream of a college degree and a professional career by providing them with a strong academic background and a solid sense of self-confidence. FDA II provides its scholars with an unrelenting academic curriculum combined with extraordinary opportunities for personal growth.

2 cool things about FDA II

We offer a two-week FDA II Summer Institute; students are highly encouraged to participate.

We have a College Summit/Senior Seminar.

2 things you should know about coming here

All students must adhere to a code of student conduct, the Scholar's Creed, and Twelve Non-Negotiable Rules.

This school has a uniform.

How to get in

For new 9th grade students, the school offers admissions via Education Option, which reserves a proportion of seats based on 7th grade ELA reading exam scores. Priority is given to continuing 8th graders, then to students in Districts 3 or 5, then to NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION

215 West 114th Street, New York, NY 10026

2 212-865-9260

✓ oowusua@schools.nyc.gov

www.fda2.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

525 West 50th Street, New York, NY 10019

2 212-757-5274

msanche4@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.

All students must read 25 books a year and complete 20 hours of community service.

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

2 212-825-9008

✗ www.millenniumhs.org

9 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 office hours from 3:20-4:00 p.m. when students can go for extra help.

iSchool offers Advanced Placement classes.

How to get in

For consideration for admission, students must complete an Online Admissions Activity posted at www.nycischool.org; the Online Activity is available from October 1, 2012, until January 7, 2013. Please visit the school website to register for a daytime tour or an upcoming evening Open House.

CONTACT INFORMATION

131 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10013

2 917-237-7300

■ admissions@mail.nycischool.org

Quest 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.

Q2L has a student summer orientation.

How to get in

Priority is given to continuing 8th graders, then to District 2 students or residents who attend an information session, then to Manhattan students or residents who attend an information session, then to New York City residents who attend an information session. Please consult the website, www.Q2L.org, for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION

→ 351 West 18th Street, New York, NY 10011

2 212-488-3645

✓ Q2Lupperschool@q2l.org

★ 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.

Our Videography Lab, Project Smart and Time Warner Library Media Center all provide our students with access to technology.

2 things you should know about coming here

This school has a dress code.

"PM School" provides opportunities for students to receive extended instruction or tutoring from their classroom teachers, including a free SAT Kaplan Program for juniors and seniors.

How to get in

Priority is given to continuing 8th graders, then to District 5 students or residents, then to Manhattan students or residents, then to New York City residents. Please contact L. McDougald, parent coordinator, at 212-283-8055, ext. 1130, for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION

200 West 135th Street, New York, NY 10030

2 212-283-8055

✓ Imcdougald@schools.nyc.gov

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/05/M670

The Young Women's Leadership School (Harlem) ◆

ALTHEA BRADSHAW-TYSON, PRINCIPAL Total Students: 450

The Young Women's Leadership School (TYWLS) was established to nurture the curiosity and creativity of young women and to address their developmental needs. We cultivate dynamic, participatory learning, enabling students to experience success at many levels, especially in the fields of math, science and technology. Students are encouraged to achieve their personal best in and out of the classroom, and all students are expected to continue their education in the pursuit of a college degree. TYWLS works with families and instills in the student a sense of community, responsibility and ethical principles of behavior—characteristics that will help make them leaders of their generation.

2 cool things about TYWLS, Harlem

When it opened in 1996, TYWLS of East Harlem was the first, public, single-sex school to open in the U.S. in over thirty years. Today there are over 500. TYWLS has sister schools in Brooklyn, Queens and the Bronx.

TYWLS believes that student learning occurs both in and outside of the classroom. Our students have many opportunities to participate in internships, scientific fieldwork and summer college programs.

2 things you should know about coming here

This school has a required uniform.

There is a community service requirement of 120 hours.

How to get in

This school is open only to female students. Priority is given to continuing 8th graders; then to District 4 students or residents; then to NYC residents. Please contact the school for Open House information.

CONTACT INFORMATION

105 East 106th Street, New York, NY 10029

2 212-289-7593

atyson@schools.nyc.gov

www.tywls.org



Queens

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

2 718-472-0536

info@actvf.org

▼ www.actvf.org

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.

2 things you should know about coming here

Bayside 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

2 718-229-7600

www.baysidehighschool.org

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.

2 things you should know about coming here

An academic portfolio is required for graduation.

There is a required uniform.

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 94th Street, Elmhurst, NY 11373

2 718-271-1487

pnguyen@schools.nyc.gov

www.CLAqueens.org

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

A6-21 Colden Street, Flushing, NY 11355

718-353-0009

✓ bsherma2@schools.nyc.gov

✓ www.ewsis.org

Hillcrest High School ◆

STEPHEN 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 minischool 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. 1120, or scitron@schools.nyc.gov.

CONTACT INFORMATION

160-05 Highland Avenue, Jamaica, NY 11432

2 718-658-5407

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

2 718-322-0500

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

2 718-380-1650

schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/25/Q792/

Oueens 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

7 718-868-2978

www.queensirt.org

Voyages Preparatory 💠

JOAN KLINGSBERG, 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

A5-10 94th Street, Flushing, NY 11373

2 718-271-7851

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.

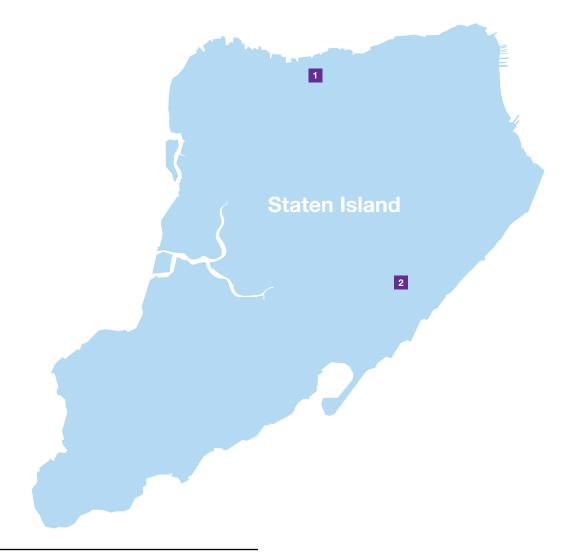
CONTACT INFORMATION

150-91 87th Road, Jamaica, NY 11432

2 718-725-0402

agumbs@schools.nyc.gov

www.ywlnetwork.org



Staten Island

💶 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.

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Staten Island continued

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.

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Elementary and Middle Schools

Brooklyn

PEACE Academy (MS 596)

LISA REITER, 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.
- O 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

7 718-230-5400

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The Parkway School (PS 167)

MARC-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.

 We are opening a new Math Lab with 30 laptops and have 15 classrooms with interactive Promethean boards.

2 things you should know about coming here

- The school provides students with instruction in class as well as online. All students in grades 3, 4 and 5 are required to complete assignments online every week.
- There is a dress code: navy blue pants, skirt or jumper and yellow shirts.

HOW TO GET IN

The school gives priority to students who currently live in the zone area. Students who do not live in the zone area are admitted based on their academic performance and recommendation from their previous school. Special admission procedures are in place for students who live in temporary housing. Open Houses will take place September 12, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and September 27, 2012, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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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

- O 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

- O 21st Century is a K-8 school.
- Periodic assessments are conducted in both languages through the year to inform instruction.

How to get in

Open to children and families in District 6. Please contact the school for Open House information.

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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.

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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

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

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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.

