



## NYC Department of Education High School Admissions Applications: An Overview

There are multiple admissions paths for students applying to public high school in New York City. Students should submit, at minimum, the general High School Application, which allows you to list up to 12 schools for consideration. You may also choose to take the Specialized High School Exam (SHSAT) in order to be considered for one or all of the eight Specialized High Schools that use this exam for admissions. LaGuardia, is the only one of the nine Specialized High Schools that does not use the SHSAT, instead it requires auditions and reviews academic records for its arts programs. Finally, you can apply to charter schools. Each charter school uses its own application, which includes registering for its lottery.

You must do this!	You can also do these applications, in addition to the general application		
<b>NYC DOE High School Application</b> Due late November or early December, check dates in the fall.	<b>Specialized Schools (EXAM)</b> Register for the SHSAT at your middle school in the early fall	<b>Specialized Schools (AUDITION)</b> Register for an audition ticket at your middle school in the early fall	<b>Charter Schools</b>
<p>The majority of schools use this application process.</p> <p>Some of the schools (screened schools) require interviews, auditions, portfolios, exams, or other steps in addition to listing them on the application.</p> <p>Some schools (limited unscreened) require applicants to visit the school at an open house, or sign in at the schools' table at a fair.</p> <p>You can list up to 12 schools on this application.</p> <p>Only list schools you are willing to have your child attend.</p>	<p>These schools consider only one criterion for admissions: The SHSAT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>--The Bronx High School of Science</li> <li>--The Brooklyn Latin School</li> <li>--Brooklyn Technical High School</li> <li>--High School for Mathematics, Science and Engineering at the City College of New York</li> <li>--High School of American Studies at Lehman College</li> <li>--Queens High School for the Sciences at York College</li> <li>--Staten island technical High School</li> <li>--Stuyvesant High School</li> </ul>	<p>Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music &amp; Art and Performing Arts is the only Specialized High School that requires auditions and/or portfolios. Additionally, the school reviews students' academic records.</p>	<p>Students must fill out an application for each charter school they are interested in attending. As charter schools have limited seats, admission is determined by a lottery system.</p>