# High School Research 

Take a moment to think to yourself:

## What are the 3 most important things to you when choosing a high school?

- Size
- Location
- Sports
- Extracurriculars
- Academics


## When choosing a high school, it is important to think about both:

## FIT and MATCH

## What does Eligibility mean?

## Eligibility

- Eligibility refers to whether or not you meet the minimum requirements to apply to a program
- Depends on:
- 7th grade grades
- 7th grade NWEA scores
- The GoCPS application will let you know what programs and schools you can apply to


## UPDATES TO THE PROCESS

| Previous Criteria | Criteria for SY20-21 Application Process |
| :---: | :---: |
| Final grades from 7th grade | The highest of either 7th grade final <br> grades or the average of the first two <br> quarters in 7th grade. |

## FINAL $7^{\text {TH }}$ GRADE GRADES

## Example:

| Grades Eligibility | Sem 1 Grade <br> (Avg of Q1 \& Q2) | Final <br> (Cumulative) <br> Grade | Grade used in <br> application |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reading | A | A | A |
| Math | B | B | B |
| Science | B | A | A |
| Social Studies | A | B | A |

## UPDATES TO THE PROCESS



NWEA MAP TEST SCORES

| Previous Criteria | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Criteria for 2021-2022 } \\ \text { Application Process }\end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{array}{l}\text { The highest NWEA MAP scores from } \\ \bullet \\ \text { 7th grade spring } \\ \text { - Spring SY18-19 } \\ \text { NWEA MAP scores }\end{array}$ |  |
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## CPS students:

- CPS students who have scores from spring, fall, and/or winter 2019 will NOT take the NWEA MAP in fall 2020.
- All students will have the option to test in Winter SY20-21
- Winter SY20-21 scores will be used for selection purposes if scores are higher than previous scores.


## Program Types

CPS offers a wide variety of schools and programs available to ALL students

Students can apply to:

## Choice Programs

Academic program options at the following types of schools:

- Neighborhood Schools
- Magnet Schools
- CTE Schools
- Military Schools
- International Baccalaureate Schools
- Charter Schools


## Selective Enrollment Programs

Academic program options at one of the 11 selective enrollment schools:

- Brooks
- Hancock
- Jones
- Lane
- Lindblom
- King
- Northside
- Payton
- South Shore
- Westinghouse
- Whitney Young

Select up to 20 Choice programs and up to 6 Selective Enrollment programs.

Rank these programs in their true order of preference, with the most desired program ranked first and the least desired program ranked last.

Receive a single best offer to the highest-ranked Choice and/or Selective Enrollment programs for which they are qualified and that had available seats.


## Prgram Types

There are many different high school program types in Chicago, and most of them fall under the "Choice Program" category.

Throughout the next two months, we will be working together to find and apply to the best high school program for you!

## Neighborhood Schools

- Open to all CPS students within attendance boundarres
- Offer special programs which may require separate applications (ex: IB, CTE and Magnet programs)
- Orr High School
- If you want to attend a neighborhood school and you do not live in the attendance boundary, you will have to apply (randomized lottery)


## Career Academy

- Offer a head start to a career
- Provide hands-on training in chosen industry
- Offer college preparatory courses
- Prosser High School
- CTE Program- Career $\underset{O}{\circ}$ Technical Education
- CTE programs offered in many high schools including some SE schools


## Military Academies

- Provide leadership development
- Structured environment
- College preparatory curriculum
- Each campus focuses on a specific military branch (*Students are NOT required to join the military after graduation)
- Marine Leadership Academy, Phoenix Military Academy


## Magnet Schools

- Curriculum is tailored to students interests and abilities
- Fine and performing arts programs (require audition)
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) programs
- Michelle Clark
- Kenwood


## Selective Enrollment Schools

- College preparatory experience
- Rigorous curriculum
- Accelerated courses (Honors and AP)
- Require an exam as part of the application process
- Westinghouse
- Whitney Young
- Walter Payton
- Jones College Prep


## Charter Schools

- Independently operated
- Admit students based on lottery
- Held accountable for high academic achievement by the Board of Education
- Noble Network
- Rowe Clark Math and Science Academy
- DRW
*Visit www.noblenetwork.org/campuses for more information


## Go CPS

GoCPS is the platform that we will use to apply to every CPS-managed school and program using one site, one application and one deadline.


## go.cps.edu

Application Opens: October 12

Deadline to Apply: December 11



## Need Help?

I can assist with each step of the application process IF I have a signed Proxy Consent Form from a parent/guardian

- Account Activation
- Scheduling admission screening
- Submitting applications
- Accepting/Declining offers
- Contacting OAE

