

About Our High Schools

Your high school choices include:

- ▶ Small high schools with fewer than 500 students, each with a unique theme and focus. Some of these schools have special admission processes.
- ▶ Larger (sometimes called “comprehensive”) high schools, which offer small learning communities and a broad selection of courses.
- ▶ Exam schools, which base admission on results of the Independent School Entrance Examination (ISEE), given in November, and grade point average. Please note that these schools admit very few new students to grade 9.



A Checklist for School Visits

When visiting high schools, consider the following as you decide which schools are the best fit:

- ☑ What are the school’s student achievement data, such as MCAS results, AYP status, promotion and graduation rates, and percentage of graduates going on to college?
- ☑ Does the school have a special admissions process? (All of BPS’s exam schools and some of the small schools do.)
- ☑ What is the school’s curriculum and style of teaching?
- ☑ Which special education programs, language programs, Advanced Placement (AP) and honors courses are available?
- ☑ What services and programs are available for students who need extra academic support or counseling?
- ☑ Where is the school located? (High school students who attend schools more than 2 miles from home receive MBTA passes.)
- ☑ What are the opportunities for parent involvement?
- ☑ What is the size of the school?
- ☑ What are the school’s environment and climate?
- ☑ What are the school’s hours?
- ☑ Does the school have athletic programs, clubs, tutoring, and/or other after-school activities?
- ☑ What are the facilities like? Is there a gym, library, pool, auditorium, music and art studios?
- ☑ How diverse are the students and faculty?

Tips for Choosing a High School

All Boston Public Schools (BPS) high schools are citywide, open to all students regardless of where they live in the city.

- ▶ Visit several schools before registering. This is the best way to get to know a school.
- ▶ For information about each school, read *Introducing the Boston Public Schools*. This guide is available on-line, at the three Family Resource Centers, and at schools. The 2012 edition will be available in December 2011. You can also call or visit any Family Resource Center for more information.
- ▶ Registration for BPS kindergarten, grade 6, and grade 9 begins on **January 3, 2012**. Call a Family Resource Center or check our website for more information on times, locations, and required documents.

Boston Public Schools ▪ 26 Court Street ▪ Boston MA 02108

This High School Preview Time schedule is produced by the BPS Office of Welcome Services and the BPS Communications Office.

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School Preview Time is for all families considering enrollment in the Boston Public Schools (BPS). Visiting schools is the best way to decide which ones might be a good match for the student and his or her family.

School Preview Time is a great time for families and students to visit BPS schools serving grades 9–12. During School Preview Time, our high schools have special visiting hours and activities to introduce families to their offerings. Each school’s visiting hours are listed on the reverse side.

For more information on our schools, registration, and enrollment, please contact:

- ▶ bostonpublicschools.org/register

- ▶ BPS Family Resource Centers:

East Zone Family Resource Center
1216 Dorchester Ave., Dorchester 02125
☎ 617-635-8015

North Zone Family Resource Center
75 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury 02120
☎ 617-635-9010

West Zone Family Resource Center
515 Hyde Park Ave., Roslindale 02131
☎ 617-635-8040

Registering for High School

For your best chance of assignment to a school of your choice, register for grade 9 in the first registration period, **January 3–February 3, 2012**.

Students who currently attend a BPS school will receive an application in January listing their school choices. Students who are new to the BPS must register at a BPS Family Resource Center (FRC). Don’t forget to bring updated immunization records and required proofs of Boston residency. Please visit the BPS website for complete registration requirements, or contact any Family Resource Center.

Choose at least five schools on the application and rank them in order of your preference, with your top choice listed first. The more schools you choose, the better your chance of an assignment to a school you want.


If you are interested in an exam school or a small school with a special admissions process, please contact any Family Resource Center or the school for information regarding the application process. Start early, since some deadlines are in the fall.



HIGH SCHOOL Preview Time

November 7, 2011 –
January 20, 2012

**Our schools offer a world of choices.
Come and see for yourself!**

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26 Court Street, Boston, MA 02108
bostonpublicschools.org/register

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This section lists Boston Public Schools options for students in grades 9-12, contact information, and the dates you are invited to visit. Please call the schools you plan to visit to let them know you are coming.

Schools are marked as:

- S** Small school (fewer than 500 students)
- SX** Small school with special entrance procedure
- V** Technical/vocational
- E** Exam school

Dates are shown as «Month/Day». For example, 12/6 = December 6.

ANOTHER COURSE TO COLLEGE (S) (9-12)

20 Warren St., Brighton 02135
617-635-8865 Lisa Gilbert-Smith, Headmaster
11/18, 1:00-3:00 pm; 12/6, 7:30-9:30 am; 1/11, 4:00-6:00 pm

BOSTON ARTS ACADEMY (SX) (9-12)

174 Ipswich St., Boston 02215
617-635-6470 Linda Nathan and Carmen Torres, Co-Headmasters
Admissions presentations: 11/4, 12/2 and 1/6, 10:00 am
Audition workshop: 12/3, 10 am-12 pm
Auditions: 1/27, by appointment starting 9:00 am; call for information.

BOSTON COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP ACADEMY (SX) (9-12)

20 Warren St., Brighton 02135
617-635-8937 Brett Dickens, Headmaster
11/3, 11/10, 12/8, 12/15, 1/5, 1/12 and 1/19, 8:00-11:30 am;
12/7, 4:00-7:00 pm

BOSTON GREEN ACADEMY (6 and 9-12)

95 G St., South Boston 02127
617-635-9860 Jeffrey Liberty, Principal
11/7, 8:00-9:30 am; 12/1, 11:30 am-1:00 pm; 1/10, 4:00-5:30 pm

BOSTON LATIN ACADEMY (E) (7-12)

205 Townsend St., Dorchester 02121
617-635-9957 Emilia Pastor, Headmaster
Student-led tours daily by appointment, 10/1-5/12, 8:00-10:00 am

BOSTON LATIN SCHOOL (E) (7-12)

78 Ave. Louis Pasteur, Boston 02115
617-635-8895 Lynn Mooney Teta, Headmaster
Please call in advance to schedule a tour. Tours are by appointment only from October 2011 to February 2012, 9:00-9:45 am on certain days of the week. Visitors must be residents of the City of Boston.

BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

25 Warren St., Brighton 02135
617-635-9873 Fredrick H. McDowell Jr., Headmaster
11/8, 4:00-6:00 pm; 12/6 and 1/10, 8:30-10:30 am

BURKE HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

60 Washington St., Dorchester 02121
617-635-9837 Lindsa McIntyre, Headmaster
11/30, 6:00-8:00 pm; 12/8, 3:00-5:00 pm; 1/10, 9:00-11:00 am

CHARLESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

240 Medford St., Charlestown 02129
617-635-9914 Margaret Ranny Bledsoe, Headmaster
11/16, 12/14 and 1/18, 9:00 am-1:00 pm

COMMUNITY ACADEMY OF SCIENCE AND HEALTH (S) (9-12)

11 Charles St., Dorchester 02122
617-635-8950 Tanya Freeman-Wisdom, Headmaster
11/16, 9:30-11:00 am; 12/7, 5:30-7:00 pm; 1/12, 12:30-2:00 pm

DORCHESTER ACADEMY (S) (9-12)

18 Croftland Ave., Dorchester 02124
617-635-9730 Kwesi Moody, Headmaster
Please call the school for information.

EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

86 White St., East Boston 02128
617-635-9896 Michael Rubin, Headmaster
Please call to schedule an appointment. Best time to visit is 8:30 am-12:45 pm, but we will accommodate your schedule.

THE ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL (9-12)

144 McBride St., Jamaica Plain 02130
617-635-8979 Sito Narcisse, Headmaster
11/5, 10:00 am-12:00 pm; 12/5, 6:00-8:00 pm; 1/9, 8:00-10:00 am

EXCEL HIGH SCHOOL (S) (9-12)

95 G St., South Boston 02127
617-635-9870 Stephanie Sibley, Headmaster
11/17, 9:00-10:00 am; 12/6, 11:00 am-1:00 pm; 1/19, 6:00-8:00 pm

FENWAY HIGH SCHOOL (SX) (9-12)

174 Ipswich St., Boston 02215
617-635-9911 Peggy Kemp, Headmaster
11/16, 12/8, 1/11 and 1/19, 9:00-11:00 am

E. M. KENNEDY ACADEMY FOR HEALTH CAREERS (SX) (9-12)

110 The Fenway, Boston 02115
617-373-8576 Caren Walker-Gregory, Headmaster
11/16 and 1/11, 6:00-8:00 pm; 12/10 and 1/28, 10:00 am-12:00 pm

LYON HIGH SCHOOL (S) (9-12)

50 Beechcroft St., Brighton 02135
617-635-7945 Deborah Rooney, Principal
11/18, 12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 1/6, 1/13 and 1/20, 10:00-11:00 am

MADISON PARK TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (V) (9-12)

75 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury 02120
617-635-8970 Charles McAfee, Headmaster
11/22, Open House for current and prospective families, 7:00-9:00 am;
12/6 and 1/10, meet with headmaster and staff, 7:00-9:00 am

MARGARITA MUÑOZ ACADEMY * (9-12)

* pending approval by Boston School Committee.
Location to be announced.
617-470-6907 Dania Vázquez, Headmaster
11/16, Hurley K-8 School, 2:45 pm
11/17, Umana K-8 School, 6:00 pm
12/8, Rafael Hernández K-8 School, 6:00 pm
More information: munizacademy.org

NEW MISSION HIGH SCHOOL (SX) (9-12)

67 Alleghany St., Roxbury 02120
617-635-6437 Naia Wilson, Headmaster
11/9, 6:00-8:00 pm; 12/10 and 1/7, 10:00 am-12:00 pm

O'BRYANT SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE (E) (7-12)

55 Malcolm X Blvd., Roxbury 02120
617-635-9932 Rodney Peterson and Steven Sullivan,
Co-Headmasters

Please contact the school to arrange a tour, a meeting with the headmaster, a Q & A session with parents and students, classroom visits, or to attend a school event.

QUINCY UPPER SCHOOL (S) (6-12)

K-12 program with Quincy Elementary School
152 Arlington St., Boston 02116
617-635-8940 Bak Fun Wong, Headmaster
11/11, 12/16 and 1/13, 9:00-11:00 am

SNOWDEN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AT COPLEY (S) (9-12)

150 Newbury St., Boston 02116
617-635-9989 Kerry Tondorf, Headmaster
11/10, 3:00-4:30 pm; 12/8, 12/15 and 12/22, 9:00-10:30 am

TECHBOSTON ACADEMY (S) (6-12)

9 Peacevale Rd., Dorchester 02124
617-635-1615 Mary Skipper, Headmaster
11/8, 7:00-9:00 am; 12/12, 4:00-6:00 pm; and 1/12, 9:00-11:00 am

URBAN SCIENCE ACADEMY (S) (9-12)

1205 VFW Pkwy., West Roxbury 02132
617-635-8930 Nicole Gittens, Headmaster
11/8, 10:00 am-12:00 pm; 12/8, 12:00-2:00 pm; 1/10, 8:00-10:00 am

WEST ROXBURY ACADDEMY (S) (9-12)

1205 VFW Pkwy., West Roxbury 02132
617-635-8935 Rudolph Weekes, Headmaster
10/29, 12/17 and 1/13, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Specialized and Alternative Schools

BOSTON ADULT TECHNICAL ACADEMY (SX)

An alternative program for students ages 20-22
429 Norfolk St., Dorchester 02124
617-635-1542 Sheila Azores, Headmaster
Please call the school for more information.

BOSTON DAY AND EVENING ACADEMY (SX)

20 Kearsarge Ave., Roxbury 02119
617-635-6789 Beatriz Zapater, Headmaster
Family and student tours and orientations held monthly; please call Ms. Diane Merrill at 617-635-6789 x109 for more information.

BOSTON INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL/NEWCOMERS ACADEMY (SX)

100 Maxwell St., Dorchester 02124
617-635-9373 Nicole Bahnam, Headmaster
11/9, 12/7 and 1/18, 9:00-11:00 am

COMMUNITY ACADEMY (SX)

25 Glen Rd., Jamaica Plain 02130
617-635-7734 Carol Bradley Moore, Headmaster
Please call the school for more information.

GREATER EGLESTON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL (SX)

80 School St., Roxbury 02119
617-635-6429 Julie Coles, Headmaster
10/6, Open House 6:00-8:00 pm; 12/15, 9:00 am-1:00 pm;
1/11, 2:00-3:00 pm

HORACE MANN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING

A K-12 school serving 160 deaf and hard of hearing students
40 Armington St., Allston 02134
617-635-8534 (V/TTY) Jeremiah Ford, Principal
11/8, 12/6 and 1/11, 8:30-9:30 am

Charter High Schools

These free public schools are open to all Boston residents. They are not part of the Boston Public Schools. More information: www.charter-schoolsboston.com.

Academy of the Pacific Rim Charter Public School
Boston Collegiate Charter School
Boston Preparatory Charter Public School
City on a Hill Charter Public School
Codman Academy Charter Public School
MATCH Charter Public School