



BPS EXAM SCHOOL RESIDENCY VERIFICATION CHANGE

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Current Non-BPS Student Residency Verification

- Non-BPS students applying for exam school entrance must prove City of Boston residency by the first Friday in November to ensure
 - Intent:
 - Only Boston residents are admitted to an exam school
 - BPS only pays to test Boston residents
 - Unintended Consequences:
 - Creates an additional hurdle for non-BPS students
 - Disqualifies some Boston residents from exam school eligibility
 - Significant number of complaints from Boston constituents, who feel penalized

The Proposed Change

Students must reside in the city of Boston and prove residency by the **third** Friday in November of a given year. Students may not attend a Boston Public Schools administration of the exam school admission test before verifying residency.

2017 Exam School Timeline

Timeline	Current Date	Proposed Date
ISEE Registration Closes	September 29, 2017	
Residency Verification Opens	October 11, 2017	
Residency Verification Closes	November 3, 2017	November 17, 2017
BPS Administration of ISEE	November 4, 2017*	
BPS Make-Up Administration ISEE (Final Day to Take at National Site)	November 18, 2017*	

* Non-BPS students may not sit for a BPS administration of the ISEE without residency verification.

Impact on Equity

Boston residents, who are not enrolled in BPS are ineligible for exam school entrance if they miss the residency verification deadline. They are unable to participate in the extended ISEE administration period.

The proposed deadline change provides these students the opportunity to validate their eligibility for exam school entrance, and have the same testing opportunity as BPS students.

Questions:

Appendix

Implications of this decision

Vote: Yes

The deadline for residency verification will be changed to the third Friday of November - the day before the final ISEE administration deadline.

Vote: No

The deadline for residency verification will remain the first Friday of November. Families that do not prove residency by this date will not be eligible for the second BPS test administration date.