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## **CHANCELLOR BANKS ANNOUNCES EXTENSION FOR HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION**

*Students and families can apply until Friday, March 11*

NEW YORK – Schools Chancellor David C. Banks today announced that the high school application deadline for students entering high school in fall 2022 is extended to Friday, March 11. In response to feedback from families and school communities, families now have an additional ten days to explore high school program options, build an application, and apply online at [MySchools.nyc](https://www.myschools.nyc.gov).

“Every child deserves to attend a great school that will prepare them to succeed in college, their career and beyond, and that starts with expanding access to high-quality learning opportunities for our young people through the admissions process,” said **Schools Chancellor David C. Banks**. “We know the leap from middle to high school is a pivotal moment for our students, and the March 11 deadline will give families even more time to explore programs and apply.”

This year’s high school admissions process centers equity for all students while maintaining academic standards. Following engagement with community leaders, families and schools, Borough and zone priorities will remain in place for the fall 2022 admissions cycle. District-based admissions priorities were eliminated last year and will continue to not be used in high school admissions.

For both middle school and high school admissions this year, the Department of Education is excited to offer a multiples priority. Families with more than one child the same age applying to middle or high school (i.e., twins), may choose to submit identical applications for both children so they receive an offer to the same program. It’s important to note that if a screened or audition program is included on children's identical applications and only one child is accepted to that program, then the children may receive separate offers.

For this year, high schools that academically screen will continue to do so using students' highest grades in four courses—English, math, social studies, and science—from across final course grades from seventh grade and marking period grades from eighth grade. Because a variety of grading scales are used across schools, each course grade being used for admissions will be converted to 100-400 points. The converted grades will then be averaged, and students will be grouped based on their average.

For screened high school programs, applicants from Group 1 will be considered first for admissions. This process will expand opportunities for accelerated learning this year, particularly for high-achieving students who have been underrepresented historically.

This year, due to the absence of reliable or current state exam results, state test scores will not be used. In addition, attendance will not be a factor. Offers will be made the week of May 30. Families with any questions can contact their school counselor, call 718-935-2009, or email [HSEnrollment@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:HSEnrollment@schools.nyc.gov) for support.

This administration is committed to engaging and collaborating with students, families, advocates and community leaders on strategies to expand quality accelerated learning opportunities for next year and beyond.

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