

RPS School Applications
Virtual Information Session

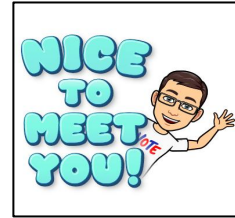
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Welcome!

Before we get started, we want to introduce ourselves!



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During this information session we'll cover the following topics:

1. General information and calendar for school applications (open enrollment, specialty schools, and regional governor's schools)
2. Demonstration of how to submit an application online
3. Explanation of new resources available for families
4. Question and answer session

If you have a question during the presentation, please submit it using the chat or email it to enrollrps@rvaschools.net.

RPS conducts an annual cycle of school applications for distinct school types

Applications are **open** for:

- **Open Enrollment** – Any RPS school that does not have an application process for admission can be accessed by out-of-zone students through a random open enrollment lottery. Seats vary year to year based on enrollment projections compared against staffing and building capacity.
- **Charter** – Patrick Henry School of Science and Arts is a charter school for grades K through 5. Eligible students may apply in a addition to their three open enrollment choices.
- **CodeRVA** – CodeRVA applications are handled separately by CodeRVA and are still open on their own site until **Friday, February 18, 11:59PM.**

Applications are **closed** for:

- **Specialty Schools** – RPS secondary schools that require an application process for admission. For the SY 2022-2023 application cycle, these schools include Franklin Military Academy (grades 6-8 and 9-12), Open High School (grades 9-12), Richmond Community High School (grades 9-12), Thomas Jefferson High School International Baccalaureate Diploma Program (grades 11-12), and the Governor's CTE Academy for STEM at RTC (Engineering and Health Sciences).
- **Regional Governor's School** – While each regional governor's school application processes are managed by an overarching body, RPS supports the application process for Richmond City residents applying to Maggie Walker and Appomattox.

Applications are open to the following programs for rising elementary students (kindergarten through 5th grade)

- All RPS elementary schools offer open enrollment at all grade levels
- Patrick Henry School of Science and Arts

Rising kindergarten and elementary students may apply to up to three schools via open enrollment, with Patrick Henry as an additional fourth option.

Applications are open to the following programs for rising middle school students (rising 6th, 7th, and 8th graders)

- Henderson and MLK Middle STEM Academies (Open Enrollment)
- Open enrollment at Albert Hill, Binford, and Boushall Middle
 - Please note that we are **not** offering open enrollment at River City Middle this year
- Lucille Brown Middle International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (Open Enrollment - 6th grade)

Rising middle school students may apply to up to three schools via open enrollment.

Applications are open to the following programs for rising 9th graders

- Open enrollment at Armstrong, Huguenot, John Marshall, George Wythe
- Thomas Jefferson International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (Open Enrollment)
- CodeRVA Regional High School (separate application portal and deadline)

Rising 9th graders may apply to up to three schools via open enrollment.

Applications are open to the following programs for rising 10th through 12th graders

- Open enrollment at Armstrong, Huguenot, John Marshall, George Wythe (All grades)
- Thomas Jefferson International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme (Open Enrollment - 10th grade)

Current high school students may apply to up to three schools via open enrollment.

Keep in mind the following...

- The application window for all school applications opened on **Thursday, October 14th, 2021**. Applications must be submitted via Enroll RPS (www.attendrvaschools.com).
- The deadline for open enrollment applications is **Tuesday, February 1st, 2022 at 4:30 PM**. (Please note the deadline for specialty and governor's schools has already passed.)
- Students may apply to up to three open enrollment schools, Patrick Henry School of Science and Arts (if eligible).
- Applications must be submitted online via Enroll RPS. Paper applications will not be accepted.
- Placement decisions for all schools, along with any associated next steps, will be shared on **Friday, March 11, 2022**.

The Enroll RPS portal

- ✓ ...is a secure way to complete all school applications in one place, and allows you to save your progress on application(s) and return to it later.
- ✓ ...is also RPS's enrollment platform, ensuring a streamlined enrollment process for all new students from application to the first day of school.
- ✓ ...is the same platform we used for enrollment this year and school applications last year.
- ✓ ...is a product of Smart Choice Technologies, a leading online school admissions system, that served over 4.7 million students across 6,700 schools in 26 states last year.

www.attendrvschools.com

All resources related to open enrollment can be found at rvaschools.net/enroll.

We want to spotlight these resources:

- Technical Resource Slides
- FAQs for each school type (Open Enrollment, Specialty, Governor's School)
- Recordings of trainings, additional info sessions, and short how-to videos
- Virtual School Fair

Thank you for joining this virtual information session!

We'd love your feedback on how we can improve this work, and answer any lingering questions you have. Post a question in the Chat or email us at enrollrps@rvaschools.net.



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