



HIGH SCHOOL

Enrollment & Registration Process

Chester Community Charter School

2023-2024





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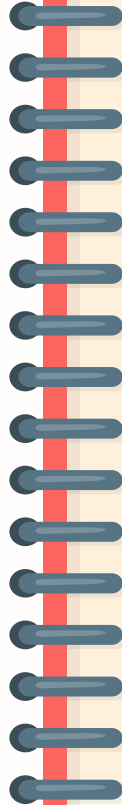
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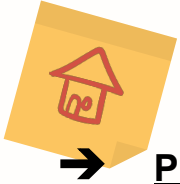


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School types and their descriptions



School Types and Their Descriptions



→ Public Schools

- ◆ District Schools:
 - Neighborhood
 - City-Wide
 - Special Admissions
- ◆ Charter Schools:
 - Traditional
 - Renaissance

→ **Magnet Schools:** Magnet school is part of the local public school system. However, any scholar in Philadelphia can attend these schools. These schools have a special curricular focus and still meet state standards.

→ Private Schools:

- ◆ Catholic
- ◆ Independent



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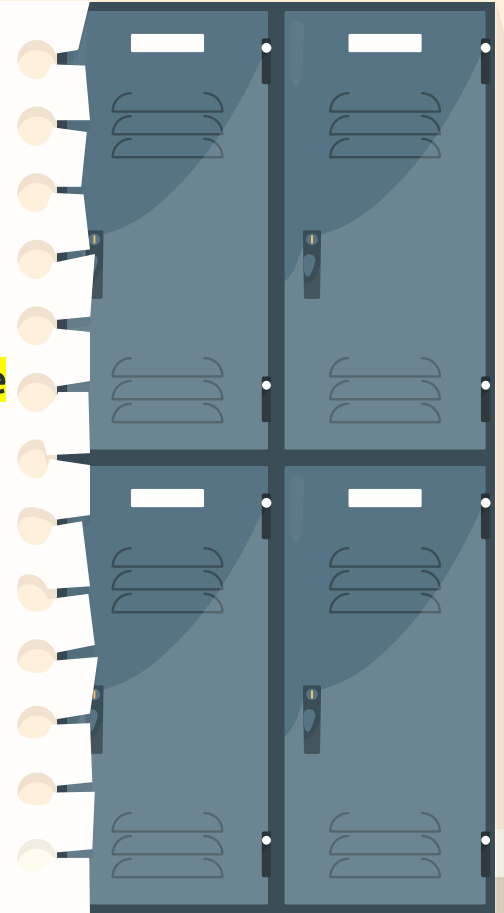
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Application and Enrollment Process



High School Enrollment Process

- Step 1: Schedule a family meeting and Select a minimum of 6 schools
 - District schools, Magnet ,Private, Charter, Boarding schools
- Step 2: Search each schools website and find the dates the Enrollment and Financial Aid application opens and closes
 - Please use the high school resources packet as resources to guide your process
- Step 3: Keep track of the schools you have applied to.
 - Write down your username and password information in a safe space.
- Step 4: Write Down the Admissions Process Criteria and complete the list
 - Ex: Interview, Essays, Admissions test etc.





**Take a moment to look
over the High School
resources list**



Philadelphia School District Registration

Opens: September 15th @ 4pm

Closes: October 27th @ 11:59pm

You must have the following information in order to your registration:

- Proof of child's age
- Immunization records
- Proof of residency



Application Process

- The School District of Philadelphia is currently offering families two ways to register your children in school
 - In Person Registration
 - Online Registration
- In order to complete either registration you will need to have the proper documentation in order to complete registration.
- Documentation needed to register
 - Proof of child's age
 - Immunization records
 - Proof of residency

Application Registration Assistance

- The school district of Philadelphia has provided parents with an Online Registration stepper and How to videos on how to complete the online registration process (Video QR Codes located in the Registration and Enrollment Guidelines packet)
- Registration assistance with Mrs. Benbow-Rideout in the Aston 1 conference room
 - **September 18th, 19th, 26th**
 - **October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th**

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Family Game Plan





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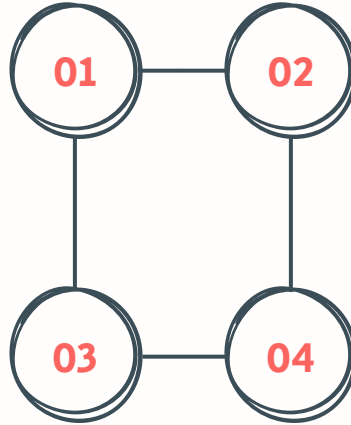


Decide what schools are the best fit

Plan a family meeting with your scholar(s) and understand what his/her needs are from the schools you're interested in. Complete the high school placement checklist

Visit The School

Visit your top 5 schools together as a family. Write down your questions and ask them on your tour.



Pick your top five

Once you have figured out what your scholars needs are. Make a list of your top 5 school

Apply/ Register for your schools

Apply for the schools your interested in and set up a meeting with Mrs. Benbow-Rideout.





Financial Aid Process


Most schools offer their own financial aid and tuition assistance.

There are two primary types of financial aid: **need-based financial aid** and **merit-based scholarships**.





Financial Aid

- **Need-based financial aid** is reserved for students who come from lower income households. Catholic high schools in Philadelphia, for instance, have multiple need-based financial aid programs. Read more about these opportunities [here](#).
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Financial Aid


- **Independent private schools** often have their own need-based financial aid programs as well. This varies depending on the schools– and it's not directly related to the school's price tag. A school that costs \$40,000 may offer full tuition to a number of students or have a special fund specifically for low-income families, while one that has a \$20,000 tuition cost may be unable to offer any financial aid.

Independent private schools set their own criteria for scholarships. They may require essays, transcripts, or hold a selective interview process. Ask the school about timelines for submitting these





Financial Aid

- **Merit-based scholarships** are based on previous academic achievement or civic involvement. A student must apply or be nominated to be considered for these awards. For many Catholic schools, these requirements include a high GPA or a certain score on a standardized test (typically the Cognitive Skills Index or Terra Novas). If your child has not taken these tests, reach out to the school directly. Often, there is some flexibility and/or an opportunity to take a placement test in lieu of this score.
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Financial Aid

Please note that schools have a limited supply of financial aid that they give out each year– so it's **extremely important** to apply for financial aid as early as possible. In fact, it's usually a good idea to submit your financial aid application at the same time as the school's admission application.





Types Of Testing

HSPT (The High School Placement Test)

The HSPT is a challenging test that requires students to demonstrate mastery of several areas in English and math. It has 5 sections (3 verbal and 2 math sections) with a total of 298 questions to complete in 2 hours and 23 minutes, meaning about 29 seconds per question. It also contains some questions that aren't always taught in school, such as analogies, as well as certain advanced concepts that some students may not have been introduced to yet, such as some basic statistics questions or inference questions in the reading.

COOP(Cooperative Admissions Examination)


the Cooperative Admissions Examination is independently created and scored and used by secondary schools throughout the Diocese of Paterson and the Archdiocese of Newark to evaluate candidates for admission across seven areas. These areas, known as subtests, are aligned to the New Jersey Core Content Curriculum Standards, and allow schools to compare the academic qualifications of diverse pools of applicants from an even more diverse pool of schools statewide. The subtests include: sequences, analogies, quantitative reasoning, verbal reasoning - words, verbal reasoning - context, reading and language arts, and mathematics.

ISEE (Independent School Entrance Examination)

The ISEE is the Independent School Entrance Examination, and it's used for admission to private middle schools and high schools. If you're looking to attend an elite private middle or high school, this is a test you'll need to do well on. Because the ISEE helps test students for admission to private middle and high schools, different levels of the test are offered depending on where you are in your education. The Middle Level is for applicants in 7th and 8th grade, and the Lower Level is for applicants in 5th and 6th grade. No matter which level of the test you'll be taking, the ISEE will always test the same sections—Verbal Reasoning, Quantitative Reasoning, Reading Comprehension and Mathematics Achievement—but there are certain differences within the sections depending on the level of the test. The test also contains an unscored essay that is sent to the schools you're applying to. The ISEE is given several times throughout the year, but the majority of the testing dates fall during the fall and early winter.



SSAT Testing information

- **SSAT stands for secondary Admissions Test and it's used for admission to private middle and high schools.**
 - **What's on the test?**
 - Quantitative (two sections)
 - Reading Comprehension and Verbal Reasoning
 - Verbal Reasoning
 - **Testing Date: October 19,2023**
 - **Testing Cost: CCCS will apply for a fee waiver on your behalf**
 - **Test Sign-up Deadlines: September 28,2023**
 - **How Do I sign up for the test?**
 - Use the QR Code provided on the SSAT Testing Information Sheet
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Outside Scholarships

BLOCS

Business Leadership Organized for Catholic Schools BLOCS is an organization that provides partial scholarships to Philadelphia students interested in attending Catholic schools.

Ellis Trust for Girls

student lives in Philadelphia; student lives in a household where one or both parent is absent, or mentally or physically disabled; student is eligible for reduced-price lunch; have grades "C" or better in major subjects

Maguire Scholars Program

financial need; the family has applied for SmartAid; academic ability; personal growth and development; commitment to community service and extracurricular activity;



The Gureghian Scholarship Application

Due by: February 1, 2024

The Gureghian scholarship is offered here at Chester Community Charter School. This scholarship has helped many Chester Community Charter School scholar alumni with their Tuition Commitments.

Application Process:

- Scholar Information
- School Information (Chester Community Charter School)
- Parent/Guardian Information
- Parent Statement Form
- Student Questionnaire
- School Official Report (Must be completed by a Principal Guidance Counselor or other school official)
- Transcript Release

The Gureghian Scholarship

Additional Documents:

- 6th and 7th grade report cards
- Most recent 8th grade report card
- 6th and 7th grade PSSA Scores
- High School Placement Test Scores, if applicable
- Copy of acceptance letter from prospective high school
- Copy of financial aid award from prospective high school – once received
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from teachers on provided ADVIS forms
- Copy of most recent 1040 and W2 Tax forms
- Complete PFS (Parent Financial Statement) on <https://sss.secure.force.com/familyportal>
 - Contact Mark Battinieri for fee waiver
- Each parent/guardian is responsible for providing The Gureghian Charitable Foundation with a hard copy of the 1040 & W2 forms as well as completing the online PFS.

The Gureghian Scholarship

If you have any questions about the process or inquires about the status of your child's application please contact:

Mark Battinieri

Phone: 610-447-0400 ext. 554

Email: mbattinieri@chestercommunitycharterschool.org

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Updates





High School Assistance Wednesday

- Please join me every wednesday
Via Zoom from 1pm-2pm starting
September 13, 2023.
 - [Link on the CCCS Website](#)





SSAT Sign-Up Deadline:

September 28, 2023





Application and Registration Assistance

Location: Aston 1 Conference room

Dates: September 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

October 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th

Time: 1pm-2pm





THANK YOU FOR COMING!
**Please Contact For More
Information**
Mrs. Benbow-Rideout:
610-447-0400 Ext: 4151



HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT
PARENT NIGHT!

LOCATION: ASTON 2 CAFETERIA

