



The Math & Science Exploratory School

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Hello 8th Grade Families,

Please see below for updated information that we received from The Office of Enrollment about high school offers and deadlines. As always, feel free to email me if you have any questions.

Students with one main round offer: Students with one main round offer are defaulted to accept that offer in MySchools.

- For these students to attend their offered school, there is **nothing else they need to do**. Families, you do not need to send back the letter, email the counselor or indicate anything on myschools.
- Families of these students can explore other options by adding their child to waitlists.

Students with multiple main round offers: Students with more than one main round offer are those with an offer to a program from their application and an offer to a Specialized High School. These students must accept one of their offers. Before they accept one of their offers, their offers appear as "Pending" in MySchools.

- The deadline for these students to accept one of their offers has been **extended to May 15, 2020** (the offer letters for these students show the previous deadline of April 22).
- Families of these students can accept one of their offers by logging into MySchools ([myschools.nyc](https://myschools.nyc.gov)) and going to the waitlist page. Accepting one offer will decline the other offer(s).

Students who receive a waitlist offer: If a student receives a waitlist offer, the high school will be in touch with the family directly by calling and emailing them. The waitlist offer will appear in MySchools for the family and the school counselor. Families have **one week** to accept or decline a waitlist offer. Accepting a waitlist offer means the family is

declining their previously accepted offer. Families can provide their response (accept or decline) by doing one of the following within one week of receiving the waitlist offer:

- Logging into MySchools and going to the waitlist page. There will be options to accept or decline the waitlist offer.
- Telling their school counselor. School counselors can enter waitlist offer responses into MySchools on behalf of a family.
- Telling the high school over the phone.

Opting out: Opting out means the student will be attending a private school, parochial school, charter school, or will be moving away from New York City by September 2020. School counselors can opt students out in MySchools.

- Families cannot opt their child out in MySchools. They can only opt their child out through their school counselor.
- If a school counselor opts a student out, that means the student will not be enrolled in that school starting in the 2020-2021 school year.
- If a school counselor opts a student out, the student remains on any waitlists they were already on. If the student then gets a waitlist offer, they can accept or decline that offer. It is **not** a guarantee that a student will receive a waitlist offer.

All the best,

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