

Washington Metropolitan High School Frequently Asked Questions for Students and Families

Where can I find more information about the decision?

All resources from previous proposed closure meetings, engagement feedback summary, and resources regarding the final decision for Washington Metropolitan High School (Wash Met) are on the DCPS website at <https://dcps.dc.gov/newsroom> and on the DCPS School Planning blog at <https://dcpsplanning.wordpress.com/>.

What supports for students will be provided during this transition?

Wash Met staff, with support from Central Office, are conducting one-on-one student conferences with students and families to create individualized academic and social-emotional student support plans. Classroom instruction will continue through the remainder of the school year. Students will have the opportunity to complete their remaining coursework on the Summit platform and promote to the next grade level (or graduate if possible).

DCPS will ensure students and families know the available school options to consider for School Year 2020-2021 and have the support to pursue those — via placement process, lottery or enrollment at in-boundary school. DCPS will also work with receiving schools through the summer to ensure they have the information they need to best serve their newly enrolled students.

Reengagement Specialists from the Graduation Excellence Division will reach out to students regularly over the summer to ensure students are set up for a successful transition and help mitigate any potential barriers. They will also connect students directly with school staff at the receiving school to facilitate a warm welcome and continued support.

If my student currently receives transportation to Washington Metropolitan, what happens to my student next school year regarding transportation?

Transportation will continue as long as the student is eligible per their IEP. It is recommended for the parent to notify the LEA representative designee once they confirmed a new school, address, and contact information.

If the LEA representative designee is not available, please contact Sherti Hendrix via email at Sherti.Hendrix3@k12.dc.gov for assistance with submission to avoid any delays in the transition to the new school. All Transportation Request Forms (TRFs) for the upcoming SY20-21 are due by June 1, 2020.

How do I request my student records over the summer to enroll at a new school?

The Secondary Academic Scheduling and Support (SASS) Team will provide students who are transferring out of DCPS with academic records. They can be reached at sass.dcps@k12.dc.gov.

Who are key points of contact during this transition?

All students and families will be working directly with Wash Met staff during this transition. Families can also reach out directly to the following DCPS teams for more assistance:

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- For placement at an Opportunity Academy/STAY school, contact the Student Placement Team at (202) 939-2004.
 - For enrollment and lottery questions, contact Lauren.Brooks@k12.dc.gov or (202) 734-8173.
 - For Re-Engagement support for students who are at-risk of dropping out and need support to reconnect in an educational placement, contact the Re-Engagement team at (202) 270-9276.

I'm interested in getting placed at another DCPS Opportunity Academy/STAY school for the upcoming school year. How do I begin that process?

Pursuing a placement at another DCPS Opportunity Academy/STAY school will allow students to continue progress made on the Summit platform. Families and students can reach out to the Student Placement Team at (202) 939-2004.

To learn more about other Opportunity Academies you can talk to the Placement Team or visit the school websites:

- Ballou STAY: <https://www.balloustay.com/index.jsp>
- Luke C. Moore High School: <https://www.lukecmoore.org/>
- Roosevelt STAY: <https://www.rooseveltstay.org/>

What resources are available to learn more about what other school options DCPS has?

Learn about all DCPS school options on the DCPS Enrollment website at <http://enrolldcps.dc.gov/node/76>. This includes information on how to find your in-boundary school, middle school and high school booklets, details on how to apply to selective high schools, and more.

How do I find out what my in-boundary (neighborhood or right-to-attend) school is?

You can enter your home address on the DCPS Enrollment website at <http://enrolldcps.dc.gov/node/41>. This tool will show your in-boundary schools. Students have a right-to-attend at their in-boundary schools (K-12) and do not need to go through the lottery to enroll.

What schools will require a My School DC lottery application?

If you are interested in a school that is not your DCPS in-boundary school (DCPS out-of-boundary school), DCPS citywide school, DCPS selective high school, or DC Public Charter school, you will need to submit a My School DC lottery application.

What are the My School DC lottery deadlines?

We understand it may take families time to decide what is the right next step for their student. For this reason, My School DC and DCPS have extended the deadline for the high school (grades 9-12) application to Monday, March 2, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. for Wash Met students ONLY. This gives current Wash Met students additional time to decide what option they would like to pursue for the upcoming school year. The My School DC high school lottery deadline will remain the same, February 3, 2020, for all other non-Wash Met students. The elementary and middle school (grades PK3-8) deadline has not changed and is Monday, March 2, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.

How do I apply to other schools in the lottery?

Applications for the My School DC (MSDC) Lottery can be submitted online at www.myschooldc.org. Wash Met students who submit an application after February 3 will initially receive a confirmation email

saying they have submitted a post-lottery application. However, My School DC will process all applications submitted by March 2, 2020, **by Wash Met students** as lottery applications as if they were submitted before the deadline extension.

Families may call the MSDC Hotline to request assistance completing a My School DC online application. The MSDC Hotline number is (202) 888-6336. Translation services are available at the MSDC hotline.

Who should I contact with questions about enrollment or the My School DC Lottery?

Please contact Lauren Brooks, DCPS Lottery Coordinator, at Lauren.Brooks@k12.dc.gov or (202) 734-8173.