

My School DC Fact Sheet

What is My School DC?

My School DC is the **common application** and **common lottery** for all DC public schools (DCPS) and participating public charter schools.

What makes My School DC unique?

1. **My School DC is a random lottery.** This means that an applicant can apply on the day the application opens or on the day it closes and have the same opportunity as all other applicants. It is not a first come, first served lottery.
2. **Ranking matters.** Applicants have the option of applying to **12 schools** on their application. They must list their options in order of preference.
3. **Applicants only receive one match.** They are waitlisted only at schools they ranked above their match. The schools below an applicant's match are removed.

Who should apply?

Families should submit an application if their child wants to be a NEW student at:

1. A public charter school (PK3-12)
2. A PK3 / PK4 DCPS program
3. An out-of-boundary DCPS school (PK3-12)
4. A DCPS Specialized High School (9-12)

Note: Students do **not** need to apply if they are re-enrolling at their current school. Students must re-enroll with the school directly.

How to apply

Step 1: Go to www.myschooldc.org and click on "Apply".

Step 2: Create a **family account**. Families can create an account with (1) an email address or (2) by creating a username. Families use **one** account to create an application for each child who is applying to a new school.

Step 3: Complete an application. Families will need the following to do so:

- **NEW REQUIREMENT: USI, DCPS Student ID, or other type of accepted identification number** (e.g., DC One Card) is needed to initiate an application if the child is a current DCPS or charter student. If the child is not a DCPS or charter student, no ID is required.
- **Student's date of birth**
- **Guardian name and address**
- **Schools of choice.** A family can list up to 12 schools ranked in order of preference.

Note: There are additional requirements for DCPS specialized high schools.

Step 4: Submit the application. Families can submit, un-submit, edit, and resubmit their application until the date of the deadline.

SY15-16 key lottery dates

November 22:	My School DC EdFEST
December 15:	Application launches
February 2:	Deadline for grades 9-12
March 2:	Deadline for grades PK3-8
March 27:	Results available in families' online accounts

Questions about the lottery?

My School DC Hotline: (202) 888-6336
Email: info@myschooldc.org

Questions about a DCPS school?

Chancellor's Response Team: (202) 478-5738
Email: chancellorsresponseteam@dc.gov

Questions about a public charter school?

Contact the individual school. Visit www.myschooldc.org/schools/ to locate contact information for schools.



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