

As the application period for the 2021-2022 school year continues, we wanted to take a moment to remind you of some important information regarding the GoCPS process.

Activate Your Account

In order to apply online, you will need to activate your account, if you have not already done so, or if you don't already have an account from a previous year. If you do not already have a GoCPS account and you did not receive your Activation Code, CPS families can contact their child's school counselor, and non-CPS families who registered for the fall 2020 NWEA MAP can contact the Office of Access and Enrollment at 773-553-2060 or gocps@cps.edu.

The activation process is quick and simple; just follow the link below and we'll show you how.

[Activate Account](#)

Admissions Screenings

Some ninth grade programs require applicants to participate in admissions screenings: admissions exams, auditions, essays, information sessions, interviews, or teacher recommendations. Except for the in-person Selective Enrollment admissions exams, admissions screenings are being offered remotely for the 2021-2022 school year. Click the link below for important details regarding the admissions screening experience:

[Admissions Screenings](#)

Open Houses

As you may know, Open House events are designed to assist you in identifying CPS schools and programs that are the best fit for your child. This year, due to remote learning, CPS Open House events are being offered virtually.

Please visit the GoCPS calendar to view elementary and high school virtual events by school or by zip code, or reach out directly to schools for Open House dates and times. Events are posted to the GoCPS calendar as they are submitted by schools to our office.

Eligibility Requirements

Many high school programs have minimum eligibility requirements that students must meet in order to apply. Each program also has a selection process that determines how seats are filled. The Elementary and High School Guide provides a comprehensive listing of each high school program, the minimum eligibility requirements (if applicable) and the selection process. This is a great resource for planning which programs to select and rank. If you haven't already, check out the Elementary and High School Guide using the links below.

[English Guide](#)

[Spanish Guide](#)

Fall 2020 NWEA MAP

If your child took the fall 2020 NWEA MAP in October, their scores will be posted to your GoCPS account within three weeks of the student's last test date. You cannot apply to schools/programs with NWEA MAP eligibility requirements until your scores are posted. You will be contacted via email to let you know when the scores are on your account.

Winter 2020 NWEA MAP

The timeline and process for the winter 2020 NWEA MAP have not yet been finalized. Information about this exam will be shared once it is available.

Selective Enrollment High Schools Exam

If you are applying to Selective Enrollment High Schools, you can schedule your child's admissions exam after you submit your application. Additional testing seats will be added when current capacity fills up. Please note that there is no guarantee which sites will offer additional seats.

Web Browsers

As a helpful reminder, GoCPS is optimized for viewing on Chrome and Safari. For the best possible application experience, we recommend using one of these browsers to access the site.

Need Help?

If you have any questions about the application process, contact the Office of Access and Enrollment at 773-553-2060 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, or email gocps@cps.edu.

Best Regards,

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