

## Federal Hill Preparatory School #45

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## SCHOOL CHOICE MINI GUIDE 2020 – 2021

This mini guide summarizes steps for the school choice application process, provides links for applications and resources, and contact information for school choice support.

<u>School Choice Guides</u>: The choice guides have step by step directions on how to complete applications for school choice. There is also information about specific middle schools and dates to remember throughout the process. I have included a link for the high school to help parents who also have 8th grade students enrolled in a Baltimore City Public School.

- Middle School Choice Guide
- Middle School Choice Guide (Spanish)
- High School Choice Guide
- Registration Support for English Speakers Other Languages (ESOL)

# **STEPS TO COMPLETE SCHOOL CHOICE APPLICATIONS**

#### 1. RESEARCH

- Discuss options for middle school with your family. Attend virtual open houses, talk to friends, communicate with your school's middle school choice liaison (Kim Hobson <a href="mailto:khobson@bcps.k12.md.us">khobson@bcps.k12.md.us</a>). Determine what middle schools may be an appropriate fit for your child.
- **Review** the Middle School Choice Guide. The Baltimore City Schools website also has Spanish versions of the middle/high school choice guides.
- Visit <u>Baltimore School Choice Questions Answered</u> (This website has videos of parents and students who provide insight on their middle/high school choice experiences in addition to general school choice information.)
- Review the attached PowerPoint with information provided at Prep's school choice meeting. This PowerPoint is a summarized version of middle/high choice information.
- Attend Federal Hill Preparatory Information Sessions
- 2. **Create** an electronic or paper calendar of school choice dates to remember.
- 3. Complete A Middle School Choice Application
  - You can Print and Complete Your Application <u>Print and Mail Middle School Choice</u>
     Application

OR

Apply Online through the Parent Portal.
 <a href="https://www.baltimorecityschools.org/campus-portal">https://www.baltimorecityschools.org/campus-portal</a>

## The Ingenuity Project

#### **Program Contact**

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Ingenuity's online application process is now open. The deadline to apply is December 23, 2020.

# TO LEARN MORE INFORMATION (CHOOSE ONE)

- 1. View Ingenuity's recorded information session using this link. <u>Ingenuity Recorded</u>

  <u>Q&A Session</u> OR Register for an Ingenuity Live Q &A Session using this link. <u>Ingenuity</u>

  Q&A Registration
- 2. Visit us at the Baltimore City School's Virtual Choice Fair on Friday, December 4, 2020.

#### **TO APPLY**

1. Parents/guardians can apply online using a computer, smartphone, or mobile device. The online application is available in English and Spanish and takes less than 10 minutes to complete. Students who are enrolled in Baltimore City Schools are not required to submit test scores or report card grades. These will be provided to Ingenuity by the district after applying. The link, apply online, located above, also has a high school application for interested families.

# **Dates to Remember**

- October through December Schools hold open houses and shadow days
- Late-November Student Choice System available to liaisons
- December 4<sup>th</sup> Virtual School Choice Fair launches
- January 22<sup>th</sup> Choice applications due
- January 29<sup>th</sup> Deadline for entering applications into SCS
- February 5<sup>th</sup> Charter applications due
- March 5<sup>th</sup> Students begin receiving placement letters

# Middle School Choice Support at Federal Hill Preparatory School

- Middle School Choice Liaison at Prep: Kim Hobson, khobson@bcps.k12.md.us
- Additional Support or Questions, Principal Cofield tccofield@bcps.k12.md.us
- Federal Hill Preparatory School Student Records, Lisa Collins, Secretary LCollins@bcps.k12.md.us
- Help with Parent Portal Registration, Assistant Principal Fitz, stfitzpatrick@bcps.k12.md.us
- GAL Liaison 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Grades, Apryl Lannigan, alannigan@bcps.k12.md.us