

# Franklin Learning Center High School

-A Pennsylvania Blue Ribbon School of Excellence-

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child is currently enrolled in the Newcomer Learning Academy (NLA) at Franklin Learning Center. Franklin Learning Center is a special admission high school, which means students must apply and be accepted to the school. Your child was accepted to Franklin Learning Center because h/she was eligible for the NLA program.

The NLA is a specialized program for high school students new the country and just beginning to learn English. The NLA program focuses on developing social and academic English language while also learning content (Math, Science, etc.) as outlined in the school district's high school core curriculum. Teachers in this program have been trained in strategies for teaching content to English Language Learners (ELLs) at all levels of language proficiency.

Starting next school year (2017-18), the NLA program will expand to a four-year program at Franklin Learning Center. This means your child will be able to continue going to school at Franklin Learning Center until s/he graduates from high school.

Please review the following options for your child:

- If your child wants to continue going to NLA at Franklin Learning Center next school year (2017-18), you do **not** need to take any action.
- If your child applied to another high school and was accepted to the school, s/he has the option to select the new school or continue at Franklin Learning Center.<sup>1</sup>
- All students have the option to attend their neighborhood high school.

We hope your child will continue to study at Franklin Learning Center and we are excited to expand the NLA program. To further explain the program and your child's options, there will be a meeting on Thursday, February 2, 2017. Please see attached flyer for more details. Translation and interpretation will be provided.

Sincerely,

Joyce Hoog  
Principal  
Franklin Learning Center

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<sup>1</sup> Starting January 30, 2017, students and parents can log into the Student or Parent Portal to learn if they were accepted to other school(s). Students accepted to one or more high school(s) have six days to choose the school they will attend next school year. This process does **not** apply to students choosing to stay at Franklin Learning Center. Please work with the counselor at Franklin Learning Center if you have questions.