

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA  
OFFICE OF STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND PLACEMENT  
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Dear Student or Parent/Guardian,

The District is accepting applications from eighth grade students who wish to participate in the Kensington High Schools and New District High Schools lottery process. The lottery is an opportunity for students who are currently enrolled in eighth-grade to apply to the schools listed below for ninth-grade. Please review the Kensington and New District High Schools listed in the table below and visit their websites to learn more about each school. We understand that you or your child did not receive their choice in the recent high school application process. The District wants to make sure that you are aware of this opportunity.

<b>School Name</b>	<b>Location</b>
<i>Building 21</i> <a href="http://www.b-21.org">www.b-21.org</a>	2000 N. 7th Street, 19122
<i>Kensington CAPA</i> <a href="http://kensingtoncapa.wix.com/kcapa">http://kensingtoncapa.wix.com/kcapa</a>	1901 N. Front Street, 19122
<i>Kensington Health Science Academy</i> <a href="http://www.philasd.org/schools/kensington-health-sciences">http://www.philasd.org/schools/kensington-health-sciences</a>	2495 Emerald Street, 19125
<i>Kensington International Business, Finance, &amp; Entrepreneurship</i> <a href="http://philasd.org/schools/kensington-business">http://philasd.org/schools/kensington-business</a>	2501 Coral St, 19125
<i>Kensington Urban Education</i> <a href="https://webapps.philasd.org/school_profile/view/5600">https://webapps.philasd.org/school_profile/view/5600</a>	2051 E. Cumberland Street, 19125
<i>The LINC High School</i> <a href="http://www.the-linc.org">www.the-linc.org</a>	122 W. Erie Avenue, 19140
<i>The U School</i> <a href="http://www.uschool.org">www.uschool.org</a>	2000 N. 7th Street, 19122

**Who Can Apply?**

All of the high schools listed above are “non-selective,” and have no academic or behavioral requirements for admission. All eighth-grade students can apply. Please note that students applying to Kensington CAPA will be required to audition for the arts programs offered at the school.

**How to Apply**

Interested students can submit an application online at [http://philasd.org/kensington-new\\_high\\_schools\\_lottery](http://philasd.org/kensington-new_high_schools_lottery). Applications will be accepted from Monday, March 24 until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 25. Families will be notified about the outcome of the lottery during the week of June 9.

**Open Houses on the New District High Schools**

School Design Leaders from The U School, Building 21 and The LINC will host the open houses listed below to introduce the unique vision and goals for each model, explain the enrollment process, and answer questions from parents and students. Laptops will be available for students that would like to apply.

**Wednesday, April 9**  
APM Hall  
6 PM to 8 PM  
2319 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street

**Friday, April 11**  
Enon Tabernacle Baptist Church  
5 PM to 8 PM  
2800 West Cheltenham Avenue

**Additional Information**

For updates and additional information about the Kensington High Schools and New Schools Lottery, please visit [http://philasd.org/kensington-new\\_high\\_schools\\_lottery](http://philasd.org/kensington-new_high_schools_lottery).

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For additional information about the lottery process, call The Office of Student Placement at 215-400-4290. To learn more about the New High School Models, please call 215-400-4840 or visit [www.philasd.org/newschoolmodels](http://www.philasd.org/newschoolmodels).

All four Kensington schools and the new district high school represent exciting options for eighth-graders in Philadelphia. We hope that you will take the time to learn more and consider applying.

Sincerely,



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Cc: Principals and Counselors