

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

High School Application Process

Tips for Parents of Students with Disabilities

If your child with a disability applies for Special Admission and Citywide High Schools

- Stay in communication with your child's counselor regarding the High School Application Process. Applications must be submitted no later than **November 16, 2007**. Fill out and return the **Parent/Guardian Questionnaire** immediately, and **return** it to your child's school **counselor**. (See back of this sheet)
- Request an IEP meeting, if necessary, to talk about your child's academic and behavioral progress, high school programs and selections, and if a program has admission requirements possible exceptions to those requirements for your child. The **IEP team** will determine whether your child can successfully participate in the programs they wish to apply for based on the supports and services that are specified their IEP.
- Stay in communication with your school counselor regarding deadlines for auditions, interviews, and portfolios. Talk to the school and community organizations about obtaining letters of recommendations for special admission and citywide high school programs.
- Talk to the school counselor about timelines and preparation for **interviews, auditions, and portfolios**.
- If your child is **not selected** for any of the Special Admission High Schools or Citywide Admission High School Lotteries, **selected on their application**, you will receive a letter in the **spring** with information regarding the **LeGare Impartial Review Process**. Contact your counselor for more information.