



High School Specialty Program

Application Frequently Asked Questions

What is the High School Specialty Program Application?

The High School Specialty Program Application is an opportunity for each student who resides permanently within the boundaries of the SCUSD.

Specialty programs at both our neighborhood and small specialized high schools.

How do I learn about the programs?

You can learn about all the programs listed below and their specific requirements at <http://www.scusd.edu/hsapplication>.

Which programs have criteria for admission?

C.K. McClatchy HISP

C.K. McClatchy VAPA

John F. Kennedy PACE

Kit Carson International Academy IB Diploma

Luther Burbank IB Diploma

Rosemont LEAD

West Campus

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C.K. McClatchy VAPA- *Portfolio required

Large, comprehensive high schools

Burbank HS

IB-International Baccalaureate

Titan Media

Urban Gardening

JROTC-Navy

Johnson HS

Corporate Business

Medical & Health Sciences

Law & Criminal Justice

JROTC- Air Force

Kennedy HS

PACE

MaD Manufacturing and Design

JROTC- Marines

Criminal Justice

McClatchy HS

LPPA -Law and Public Policy

Criminal Justice

HISP -Humanities and International Studies

VAPA-Visual & Performing Arts

Rosemont HS

Culinary

Construction & Design

LEAD-Leadership Enrichment Academic Development

Small & Mid-sized high schools- college & career focus

G.W.Carver- Public Waldorf methods HS

Health Professions- Medical professions

Kit Carson IB- Academic Rigor, International

New Technology- Project based w/ technology

School of Engineering- Engineering & Science

The Met- Internships

West Campus – Well-rounded, academic rigor

For more information go to

<https://www.scusd.edu/high-school-specialty-program-application-faq>

**Programs which have more applicants than spots available will use a computerized lottery once basic admission requirements are met.*

October Visitations & Events

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Rosemont (all) 9:00-11:00am 395-5130
McClatchy 6:00-7:00pm 395-5050
School of Engineering 8:30am 395-5040
New Technology 9:00am 395-5254

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McClatchy (all) 6:00-7:00pm 395-5050

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Rosemont (LEAD) 6:30-7:30pm 395-5130
New Technology 9:00am 395-5254
School of Engineering 8:30am 395-5040

November Visitations & Events

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School of Engineering 8:30am 395-5040
Health Professions 9:00-11:00am 395-5010
Kit Carson IB 9:00am 277-6750
New Technology 9:00am 395-5254
West Campus 9:10-10:10am 395-5170

November Visitations & Events Cont'd

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Kennedy (all) 9:00-11:30am 395-5090

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School of Engineering 8:30am 395-5040
New Technology 9:00am 395-5254
West Campus 11:10-12:15 395-5170
Sutter field trip to Rosemont Students only
Sign up w/ Mr. Lessler in room 102
rob-lessler@scusd.edu 395-5370 ext. 408026

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Rosemont (all) 9:00-11:00am 395-5130
School of Engineering 8:30am 395-5040
New Technology 9:00am 395-5254

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G.W.Carver 8:30-10:00am 395-5266
Kit Carson IB 9:00am 277-6750
New Technology 9:00am 395-5254
West Campus 10:15-11:15am 395-5170

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The Met call for info 395-5417

December Visitations & Events

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School of Engineering 8:30am 395-5040

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Rosemont (all) 9:00-11:00am 395-5130

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School of Engineering 8:30am 395-5040
West Campus 1:00-2:00pm 395-5170

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G.W.Carver 8:30-10:00am 395-5266
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The High School Specialty Program Application is an opportunity for each student who resides permanently within the boundaries of the Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD) to apply for enrollment in a SCUSD high school specialty program, based on space availability. SCUSD offers specialty programs at both our neighborhood and small specialized high schools.

Who is eligible to apply?

- SCUSD students that live within our district boundaries can apply through an online application.
- Students who live outside our district boundaries (including those currently on an inter-district permit) are not eligible. Please contact the Enrollment Center for more information.

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- C.K. McClatchy VAPA
- John F. Kennedy PACE
- Kit Carson International Academy Middle Years Programme
- Kit Carson International Academy IB Diploma
- Luther Burbank IB Diploma
- Rosemont LEAD
- West Campus

Are there visitation days?

Yes, we will post a list in Fall 2019.

Which programs require me to attend an essay or test session?

- C.K. McClatchy HISP
- John F. Kennedy PACE
- Rosemont LEAD
- West Campus
- C.K. McClatchy VAPA – Portfolio required – see instructions <http://ckmvapa.org/apply-instruct-inform>

Is transportation provided by the school district to the specialty program I am accepted to?

No, transportation is not provided for students accepted into specialty programs. Parents are responsible for transporting their students.

Lottery Questions

How does the lottery work?

The High School Specialty Program Application is not a first-come, first-serve basis. You may apply anytime during the application window to be considered.

SCUSD uses a computerized, third-party lottery system to place students at their school of choice. A lottery must be implemented if applications exceed the grade capacity at the requested program. If your student isn't selected during this step, he/she will be placed on a waiting list for your first choice only.

What happens if my student doesn't get accepted to the first or second school of choice?

Your student will only be placed on the waiting list for their first choice. Placement from the waiting list occurs only if space becomes available.

The specialty program coordinator working with the Enrollment Center Director will contact the parent/guardian when and if space becomes available.

Students who apply to a specialty program and have not met the school's admissions requirements will not be included in the lottery. If the student hasn't applied to another program, the student must attend his/her neighborhood or current school.

If I am accepted to my 2nd choice, will I be put on the 1st choice waiting list?

No.

Who has priority in the lottery selection process?

Lottery Selection Priorities:

First priority

- Siblings of students already in attendance at the specialty program and will continue to be enrolled in the upcoming school year.

Second priority

- Students whose parent/guardian's primary place of employment is the selected school.

Third priority (administrative priority)

- When unique circumstances occur at a school, such as a school closure, program changes, and/or over-crowding occurs; district administrators may institute a specific priority to meet staffing and housing needs.

Schools without Attendance Boundaries:

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Second priority

- Students whose parent/guardian's primary place of employment is the selected school.