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The Public School Lottery

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# Common Lottery Board Quarterly Meeting

October 24, 2024

# Common Lottery Board Roll Call

	Member	Organization
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	Daniela Anello	DC Bilingual PCS
	Ijeoma Anyanwu	DC Public Schools
	Emerald Becker	DC Public Schools
	Hilary Darilek	E.L. Haynes PCS
	Chyanne Eyde	DC Public Schools
	Shannon Hodge	KIPP DC PCS
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	Antoinette Mitchell	Office of the State Superintendent for Education
	Megan Dho	My School DC

# Agenda

01 | EdFEST 2024

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02 | SY25-26 Lottery Updates

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03 | New Strategies, Resources, & Website Changes

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04 | FY25 Strategic Goals Update

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05 | MSDC Response to Eagle Academy PCS Closing

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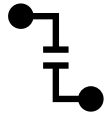


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**EdFEST** 2024  
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**SAVE THE DATES**

**EdFEST is back for the 2025-26 school year**

<b>GRADES 9-12</b> Saturday, December 7 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Eastern High School	<b>PK3 - GRADE 8</b> Saturday, December 14 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. DC Armory
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# EdFEST 2024 - *New This Year*



Additional Space and Improved Flow at Eastern High School



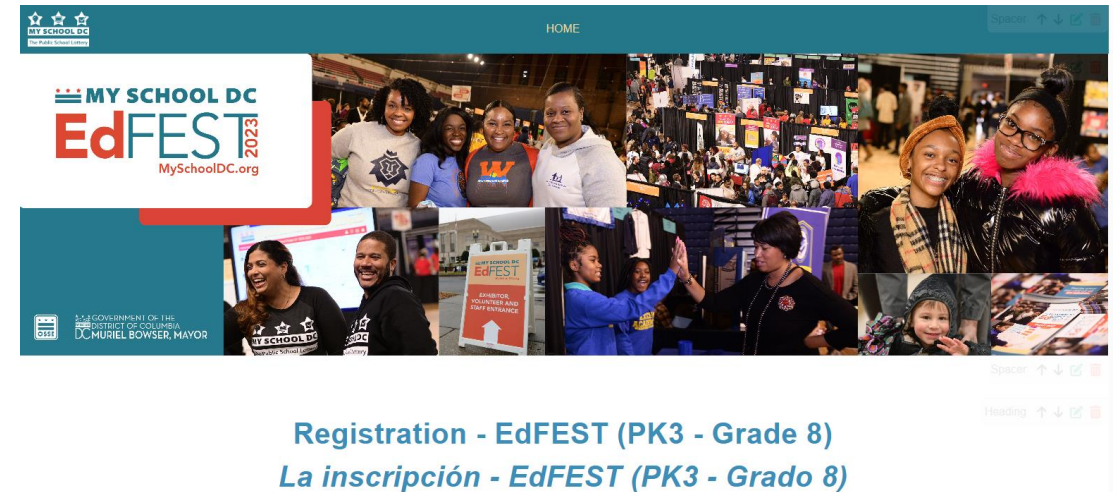
Additional Parking for EdFEST (Grades 9-12)



Increased Training and Support for Lead Generation using Attendase



Increased and earlier coordination with H&W and DC Health to support immunization efforts at both events





# EdFEST 2024 - Marketing and Outreach



Email & Text Alerts



LEA and Partner Toolkits



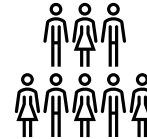
Phone Banking



DC Council



Post Cards



Increased/Earlier  
Community Presence



Advertising: Print, Radio, TV,  
Digital, Bus, and Rail

Key Dates & EdFEST Save  
the Date Alert  
Sept. 18

EdFEST  
Pre-Registration Launches  
(for attendees)  
~Nov. 7

EdFEST Paid Advertising  
Begins  
Nov. 7

EdFEST "Learn Phase"  
Phone Banking Begins  
Nov. 13

# How you can help:

- Share EdFEST [volunteer opportunities](#) with your networks
- Help us spread the word about both EdFEST events:
  - Newsletter
  - Social Media
  - Word of Mouth

*EdFEST 2024 LEA and Partner Marketing Toolkits Coming Soon!*



**Volunteer for**  
**MY SCHOOL DC**  
**EdFEST 2024**  
MySchoolDC.org

**EdFEST needs volunteers for both events! Our volunteers:**

- Help exhibitors set up booths
- Stuff giveaway bags for families
- Greet and direct guests
- And more!

GRADES 9-12	PK3 - GRADE 8
Saturday, Dec. 7	Saturday, Dec. 14
10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Eastern High School	DC Armory
Volunteer opportunities available Dec. 6 and 7	Volunteer opportunities available Dec. 13 and 14

Review details and register today! [bit.ly/EdFEST24Volunteer](https://bit.ly/EdFEST24Volunteer)





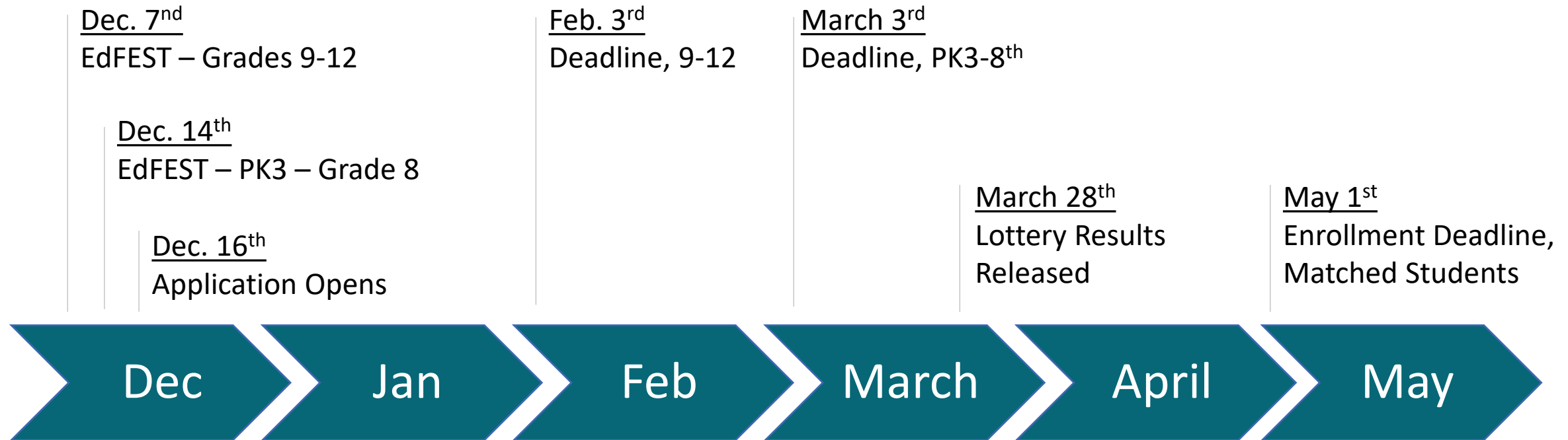
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# SY25-26 Lottery Updates

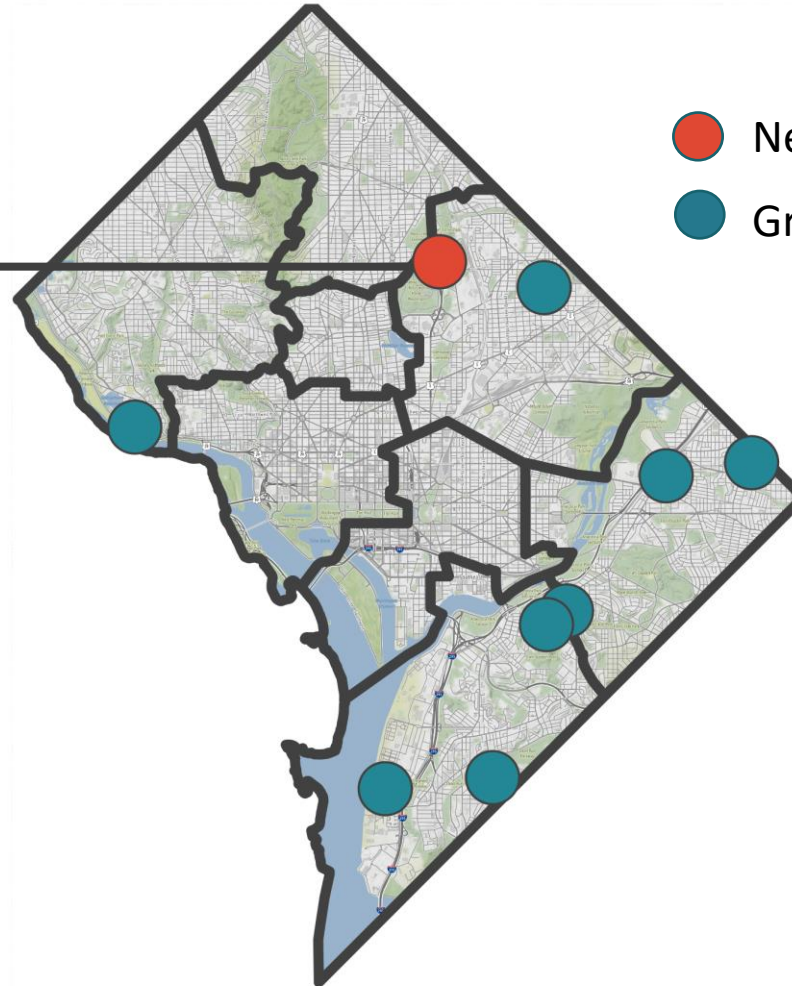
# Lottery Timeline for 2025-26 School Year



# Known School Changes for SY25-26

One new school expansion and 8 new grades are slated to open in the coming school year.

Washington Latin PCS – Cooper Campus Upper School opens their doors to their first 9<sup>th</sup> grade class in the fall of 2025.





# School Grade Changes

School Name	Grade Added (Grade Span)
Achievement Prep PCS	7 <sup>th</sup> (PK3 – 7 <sup>th</sup> )
DC Wildflower PCS – The Riverseed School	2 <sup>nd</sup> (PK3 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> )
DC Wildflower PCS – Blue Montessori	K (PK3 – K)
Global Citizens PCS	3 <sup>rd</sup> (PK3 – 3 <sup>rd</sup> )
LEARN DC PCS	5 <sup>th</sup> (PK3 – 5 <sup>th</sup> )
Lee Montessori PCS – East End	5 <sup>th</sup> (PK3 – 5 <sup>th</sup> )

School Name	Grade Added (Grade Span)
MacArthur High School	12 <sup>th</sup> (9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> )
The Sojourner Truth PCS	12 <sup>th</sup> (6 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> )

School Name	Grade Closing (Grade Span)
Cardozo Education Campus	6 <sup>th</sup> (7 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> )

# SY25-26 Equitable Access Preference

Participating LEAs	Method
BASIS PCS	Designated Seats
Breakthrough Montessori PCS	Lottery Preference
The Children's Guild PCS	Lottery Preference
DC Bilingual PCS	Designated Seats
<b>DC Public Schools</b>	<b>Designated Seats &amp; Lottery Preference</b>
DC Wildflower PCS	Designated Seats
Digital Pioneers Academy PCS	Lottery Preference
E.L. Haynes PCS	Designated Seats
<b>Friendship PCS</b>	<b>Lottery Preference</b>
Inspired Teaching Demonstration PCS	Designated Seats
Latin American Montessori Bilingual PCS	Designated Seats
Lee Montessori PCS	Designated Seats
Mundo Verde Bilingual PCS	Designated Seats
Sojourner Truth PCS	Lottery Preference
Two Rivers PCS	Designated Seats
Washington Latin PCS	Designated Seats
Washington Yu Ying PCS	Designated Seats

12 additional schools will offer the preference in SY25-26.

PCSB approved Friendship PCS to add the equitable access preference at three schools, while DCPS is adding the preference at 9 schools.

A full list of Equitable Access schools will become available on our “Applying to Equitable Access Schools” page the week of November 12<sup>th</sup>.



New LEA or Schools in SY25-26



# New Strategies, Resources, & Website Changes



# New Communication Strategies/Resources



## **Increase Equitable Access applicant's knowledge/awareness:**

- ❖ EA informational flyer upon application
- ❖ Dedicated results email for those who qualified for the EA preference



## **Increase applicants understanding of preferences, waitlists & their lottery results:**

- ❖ Waitlist 101 social media carousel
- ❖ Preferences 101 social media carousel
- ❖ Lottery Results social media carousel and trainings



## **New instructional videos:**

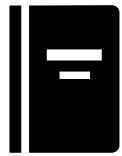
- ❖ How to create a MSDC account
- ❖ How preferences work
- ❖ How waitlists work
- ❖ How to interpret your lottery results
- ❖ How the post-lottery application works
- ❖ How the MSDC Hotline can help you
- ❖ EdFEST PAC Invitation & Pointers

# Website & School Profile Updates



## **Relocation & Better Highlighting of Equitable Access information:**

- ❖ Created a new webpage entitled “Applying to Equitable Access”
- ❖ Nested under our "Apply" tab rather than "FAQs"



## **School Profile Changes:**

- ❖ New link to DCPS Self-Contained Classroom feeder patterns
- ❖ Temporary removal of bus routes to schools (in anticipation of WMATA’s Better Bus routes launching in Summer 2025)
- ❖ Direct link to school’s DC School Report Card for Academic Achievement information



## **Boundary & Student Assignment Page**

- ❖ Basic information and links to additional information on DCPS and DME websites
- ❖ Nested under “Schools” tab

# New LEA Supports



**Return to in-person LEA POC trainings**



**Enhanced Reporting and Data-sharing:**

- ❖ CWMS Report training
- ❖ EA individual school impact reports



**Increased peer-to-peer learning**

- ❖ Community of Practice convening for participating Equitable Access schools

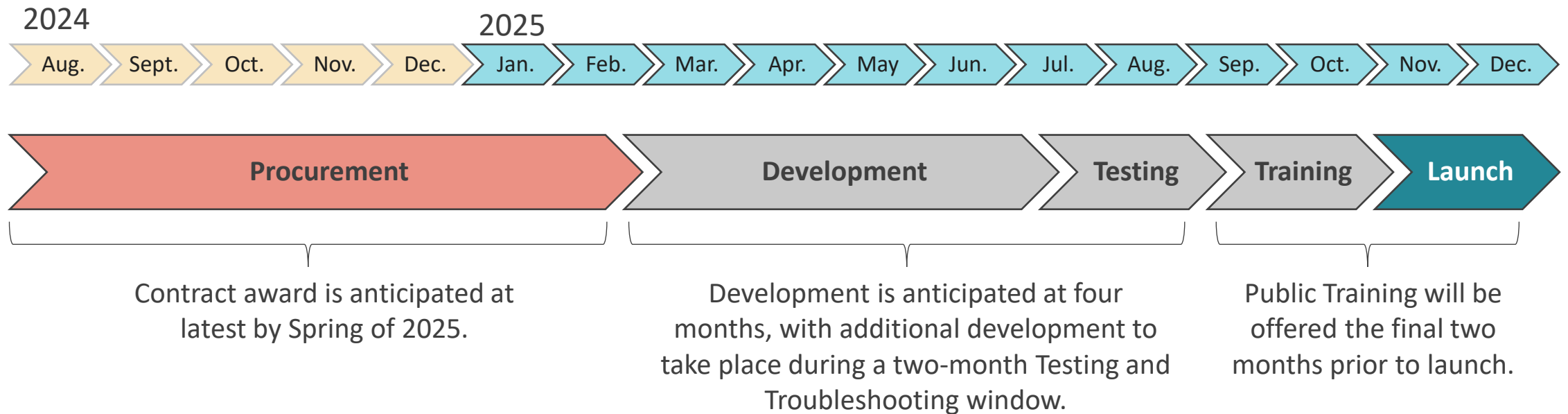




# FY25 Strategic Goals Update

# App 2.0 Update and Current Timeline

My School DC's updated application will launch with the 2026-27 school year. We're sharing an update on our timeline now to provide you with advanced notice that we'll be spending additional time on this topic across our Board Meetings in 2025.



# Boundary Study Implementation

My School DC worked in partnership with DCPS and OCTO to implement the upcoming boundary changes.

*Fun Fact: of the 147,707 addresses within our application, approximately 11,000 (7%) addresses will have one school option change.*

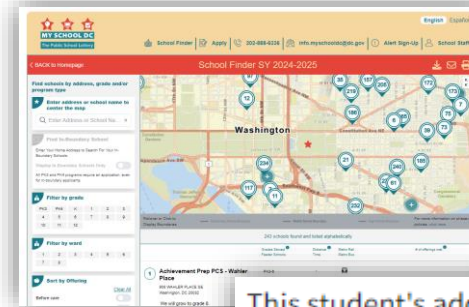
## What's Next?

1.

School Finder will update to display SY25-26 boundaries on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

2.

On Step 3, applicant's by-right school choices will now be identified as either their In-Boundary, Feeder Pattern, or Boundary Phase In Right.



This student's address is:

**1202 HAMILTON STREET NW**

Based on the above address and your current school, you have the right to attend the following school(s):

- **Deal Middle School (In-Boundary Right)**
- **E.L. Haynes PCS – Middle School (Feeder/Program Right)**
- **MacFarland Middle School (In-Boundary Right)**





# MSDC Response to Eagle Academy PCS Closing

# MSDC Supports to Eagle Academy Families



## **Direct Communication re: MSDC resources and Enrollment Options**

- ❖ Sent email and text messages to all Eagle families to inform them of their school options and our MSDC Hotline number they can call for help



## **Enrollment Fair Staffing and Support**

- ❖ MSDC staff were at each of the 4 enrollment fairs PCSB hosted at Eagle's campuses
- ❖ MSDC staff trained volunteers on families' enrollment options and MSDC website resources & application so they could better assist families



## **Waitlist Restoration**

- ❖ Restored all families matched to Eagle Academy schools via a SY24-25 MSDC application to the waitlists of other schools they ranked on their application



## **First Day of School Coverage/Support**

- ❖ Collaborated with DME, PCSB and DCPS to ensure there were people available at both Eagle's campuses on the first day of school to advise families of their options





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# Next Meeting

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Thursday, Jan 23rd  
@ 2p.m.

## Anticipated Agenda Items:

- SY25-26 EdFEST Recap
- SY25-26 Lottery Cycle Updates

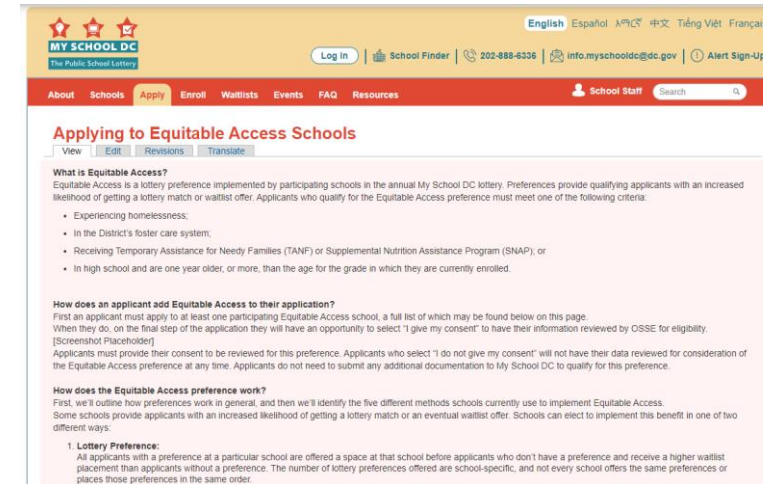




# Appendix

# NEW web pages for the 2025-26 lottery cycle

- **Applying to Equitable Access Schools**
  - User testing showed Equitable Access information was difficult, if not impossible to find.
    - Was under FAQ tab and buried in Lottery Preferences page
  - Now, nesting the page under “Apply”
  - Titling page "Applying to Equitable Access Schools"
- **Boundary and Student Assignment Updates**
  - Adding background information and relevant hyperlinks.
  - Nesting the page under “Schools”



# School Profile Update: Sped Feeder Patterns (based on Boundary Study Recommendation 11.2)

## The Short:

The self-contained feeder patterns for DCPS schools will now be linked under the special education services info on the School Profiles.

A mock-up of the new text is below:

WHO CAN I TALK TO ABOUT SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES?

**Mark Boisvert**  
**202-724-4867**  
**mark.boisvert@k12.dc.gov**  
**Learn more about special education feeder patterns in DCPS**

## Amidon-Bowen Elementary School

DCPS School



GRADES SERVED  
IN 2024-25  
**PK3-5**

GRADES ACCEPTING  
NEW APPLICANTS IN 2024-25  
**All**

ADDRESS  
**401 I STREET SW**

SCHOOL HOURS  
**8:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m.**

PHONE  
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**Jefferson Middle School Academy**

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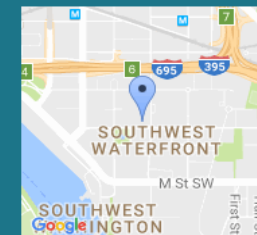
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## OPEN HOUSES

401 I STREET SW



Directions  
to the  
school

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METRO/BUS  
SERVICE

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M L'Enfant Plaza;  
Waterfront

Kids Ride Free! Click [HERE](#).

# School Profile Update: Removal of Bus Routes

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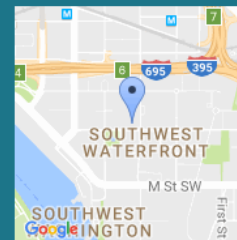
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The My School DC website and school profiles are updated in November 2024.

WMATA's Better Bus Network will be rolling out their new routes and names between Dec. 2024 and June 2025.

## The Short:

MSDC is removing the current bus routes from Metro Service to ensure we are not sharing inaccurate information and will update the bus routes in next year's website refresh.



# School Profile Update: DC School Report Card for Test Scores

## The Short:

In order to ensure consistent and clear information, the DC CAPE Score section will be replaced with DC School Report Card feature/hyperlink.

### 2023-24 DC CAPE SCORES

To view this school's DC CAPE (formerly PARCC) scores, please visit the [DC School Report Card](#) for a full breakdown.

TOTAL 2022-23 ENROLLMENT  
**336**

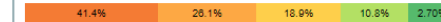
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**<1% Asian**  
**8% Hispanic / Latino**  
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**11.9% White non-Hispanic**  
**3.9% Multiracial**

LOTTERY PREFERENCES  
**1. In-boundary w Sibling Attending**  
**2. In-boundary w Sibling Offered**  
**3. In-boundary**  
**4. Sibling Attending**  
**5. Sibling Offered**  
**6. Proximity**

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES  
• [School Report Card](#)  
• [DCPS Profiles](#)  
• [Historical Waitlist Information](#)

### 2022-23 PARCC SCORES

**Math**  
Student Proficiency Levels



**ELA**  
Student Proficiency Levels



Level 1: Did Not Yet Meet Expectations  
Level 2: Partially Met Expectations  
Level 3: Approached Expectations  
Level 4: Met Expectations  
Level 5: Exceeded Expectations

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### 2023-2024 LOTTERY

Grade	Lottery Seats	Waitlist length on Results Day	Waitlist offers made by October 2023
PK3	33	13	0
PK4	17	7	5
K	10	6	2
1	0	8	7
2	0	8	5
3	0	5	5
4	4	2	2
5	0	7	7

Federal and District law require equal access to services for students with special education needs and English Language Learners. For additional information, please contact the Office of the State Superintendent of Education at (202) 727-6438 or at [osse@dc.gov](mailto:osse@dc.gov).

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