

## What are my HS Options?

### International Baccalaureate (IB)

Develops cultural and international awareness.  
Senn, Taft, Amundsen, Lincoln Park

### Magnet Programs & High Schools

Specialty programs: fine/performing arts,  
engineering, agricultural sciences.  
Senn, Von Steuben, Disney II

### Military Academies

Focus on leadership, teamwork, and service.  
Rickover Naval, Marine Leadership

### College & Career Academies (CCA/CTE)

Career focused, work-based learning, hands-  
on training, job shadows, and internships.  
Amundsen, Mather, Roosevelt, Sullivan

### Selective Enrollment High Schools

Advanced classes, highly competitive.  
Lane Tech, Northside Prep, Jones, Walter  
Payton, Whitney Young

### Neighborhood High Schools

No application process, automatically enrolled  
based on home address.

### Charter High Schools

Operated by community organizations.  
Northtown, Noble Street, CMSA

### Private High Schools

May be affiliated with a religion, tuition.  
Gordon Tech, Notre Dame, Latin School

## HS Application Coaches

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# Helen C. Peirce Elementary School of International Studies

# Choosing the RIGHT High School for YOU

## HS Info Session & Fair

- **October 11, 5:30-7:45pm**  
Hosted by Senn High School
- Learn about the HS App Process
- Question & Answer
- High School Fair -over 10 high schools invited, meet & learn more about the different schools
- Find out dates of High School Open Houses

## What is a High School Application Coach?

- Peirce Staff that has volunteered to work with 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents through the entire application process.
- All 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be assigned a HS App Coach to assist with completing applications, making final decisions, and submitting any additional paperwork.
- HS App coach will contact the student/parent and set up a 45-60min appointment to discuss eligibility, options, and complete applications together.

## Office of Access & Enrollment

- For detailed information, please visit [www.cpsdae.org](http://www.cpsdae.org) or call 773-553-2060.

## H.S. Application Timeline

### September 26-30

- Students are assigned their High School Application Coach

### October

- Gear Up Workshop during advisory period to learn about the HS Options
- Attend the HS Information Session & Fair, hosted by Senn HS
- Visit HS Open Houses
- Research the different schools
- Make an appointment with your HS App Coach to complete applications together.

### November

- Attend HS Open Houses
- Make an appointment with your HS App Coach to complete your application together, if you have not already.
- If you have already applied, you may be required to take the Selective Enrollment Exam, attend a required Info Session, submit a portfolio, or audition (depending on the program you applied for).

### December

- Applications are due! Please avoid waiting till December to complete applications!
- If you have already applied, you may be required to take the Selective Enrollment Exam, attend a required Info Session, submit a portfolio, or audition (depending on the program you applied for).

### January

- If you have already applied, you may be required to take the Selective Enrollment Exam, attend a required Info Session, submit a portfolio, or audition (depending on the program you applied for).

### March

- Notification of HS Acceptances!
- Just because a school is the "BEST," doesn't mean it is the BEST school for you!
- Talk it over with family or your HS App Coach.
- Make your final decision and report to Ms. Choe.

### April - June

- Keep your grades up!
- Yes, they still count!