

How to Apply to a PreK program

STEP ONE

- All PreK 3 and 4 year olds will need to apply for 2020-2021 PreK enrollment.
- Use the information and links at **ChooseHISD.com**.
- Consider how you will rank your choices. Families can select up to 10 school programs, with a maximum of 5 magnet programs.
- Please contact the Magnet or Program Choice school for tour availability.

Visit **ChooseHISD.com** to apply online.

- If you have used the system before, please use your previous account.
- Paper applications are available online, at any school, or from the Office of School Choice (Online applications provide more options for tracking and staying up-to-date).
- Make sure to sign and submit your applications.

STEP THREE

- For elementary and middle school Magnet programs, only Vanguard applications may require documentation. All Program Choice applications will require documentation.
- Please be on the lookout for emails or phone calls related to your application.

STEP FOUR

- By **midnight on May 1, 2020**, notification of acceptance for Phase 1 TEA eligible PK4 applicants. Status will be viewable online, and letters will be sent to all parents via USPS mail.
- **May 15, 2020** deadline to accept Phase 1 TEA eligible PK4.
- **June 1, 2020**, TEA non-eligible PK4 (tuition-based) and TEA eligible PK3 applicants will be considered on a space available basis.

STEP FIVE

- If your student has been offered a seat in a program, you have two weeks to provide proof of residence and sign an entrance agreement.
- If your student was not offered a seat on May 1, 2020, but has been placed on a wait list, stay alert for changes in application status. You may be able to submit additional applications to programs with more room.

HELPFUL WEBSITES FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Houston Independent School District: www.HoustonISD.org
- HISD Find a School: <https://www.houstonisd.org/findaschool>

SCHOOL CHOICE FAIRS

Feb. 15: (Space Available Schools):
9 a.m. – 12 p.m. at Northside HS

PK PHASES

Phase 1 (Sept. 27 – Feb. 28, 2020)

Qualified in-district, TEA Eligible applications received during this phase will be entered into lotteries.

Phase 2 (Feb. 29 – onward)

Qualified in-district, TEA Eligible applications will be considered on a space available basis.

Phase 3 (June 1, 2020 – onward)

TEA Non-Eligible (tuition-based) PK 4 and TEA Eligible PK 3 applications will be considered on a space available basis.