

High School Profile FS: Fresh Start!

Who you are:

- Student FS has a rocky transcript. You might have missed too many days last year. Maybe, your grades don't reflect your full potential.
- You should apply to some Educational Option (Ed. Opt.) schools which will give you a fresh start. Ed. Opt. schools select students with a range of backgrounds based on a combination of lottery and ranked status. Every school has their own ranking criteria.

Schools to apply to:

Pathways in Technology Early College High School



In addition to providing a general high quality high school curriculum, this offers the chance to participate in internships with IBM and other technology companies. As an early college high school, you can also stay at the school for six years, and use the last two years to complete

your associates degree for free with credit from CUNY City Tech. The school gives priority to Brooklyn students, and generally fills its seats just from Brooklyn.

Academy for Software Engineering



Some schools claim to have a focus but the Academy for Software Engineering (AFSE) really does. Students take computer science for all four years (from 9th grade through 12th). All 10th graders take AP Computer Science and 11th and 12th graders further get to choose either traditional computer science or Design Tech. If you're the type of student deeply interested in computer science, this is a school where you may succeed if you're interested in taking advantage of such opportunities.

This school gives priority to Manhattan students and generally does not have room for others.

Bronx Center for Science and Mathematics



Bronx Center offers a complete set of college preparatory courses including calculus. You can join a robotics team or participate in science research. They have a summer bridge program for all incoming 9th graders that matches you up with a mentor, and helps prepare you for the academic expectations of high school. The school gives priority to Bronx students and usually fills their seats only from the Bronx.

Other schools to consider:

- Academy of Finance and Enterprise
- Park East High School
- Collegiate Institute for Math and Science
- Urban Assembly Maker Academy

And so many more!

High School Profile S: Screened!

Who you are:

- Student S has a great transcript. You have good grades & attendance. You might also have great scores on the state test.
- You should apply to screened schools which see your transcript and will be impressed. Some of these schools may require extra steps.

Schools to apply to:



Bard High School Early College (BHSEC)

Each year, BEAM recommends BSHEC to dozens of students; about 10% of our 9th graders go to this school. BHSEC is a very challenging school with strong classes in all disciplines. Students take all their high school classes 9th and 10th and then go on to spend two years preparing for an Associate's Degree. The school also offers extensive help with college selection process.

To get into BSHEC, you need to submit your transcript, take the admissions exam, and rank it on your application. Acceptance into BHSEC requires both strong math skills and also the ability to write an essay.

Manhattan/Hunter Science High School

Love science? This is the school for you. Manhattan/Hunter partners with Hunter College to offer strong math and science courses on the college campus by 12th grade. Stronger science than math courses, but should still be challenging for all students.



To get into Manhattan/Hunter, you need to submit your transcript as well as an essay: Describe yourself as a student, as well as what interests you in attending a rigorous early college high school, which includes a senior year experience at Hunter College. Also rank it on your application form.



Manhattan Center for Science and Mathematics

Manhattan Center is one of the most supportive schools of those schools that offer strong math and science courses. It's large enough to have varied course and club offerings, yet small enough to provide personalized attention to those students who seek that out. While it may not be as competitive as many of the other screened schools, it's a great option for BEAM students.

To get into Manhattan Center, you just need to rank it on your application.

Other schools to consider:

There are many more! You might consider the Baccalaureate School for Global Education, Beacon, Columbia Secondary School, Leon M. Goldstein, Midwood, Millennium, Millennium Brooklyn, NEST+m, Townsend Harris, University Heights...