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CCSD's School Choice application window launches January 26

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Charleston County School District (CCSD) will open its School Choice application process for the 2021-2022 school year on January 26, 2021, at 12:00 p.m. The window will close on February 26, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. Each school-aged child in Charleston County is assigned to a neighborhood school based on grade level and home address. In addition to neighborhood schools, CCSD offers specialized programs, magnets, and charter schools to which students can apply.

During these unprecedented times, CCSD has made appropriate adjustments in all of our school experiences. Accordingly, the school choice process will also include adjustments to ensure the safety of all our families and colleagues. A Virtual Choice Fair will be held so that families can learn more about what School Choice means for you and your child. Please check the [website](#) for ongoing updates and video tours of all choice programs included in the application process.

The following schedule includes the dates, deadlines, and events associated with this year's application process:

- January 26, 2021 - Application opens
- January 30, 2021 - Virtual Choice Fair
- February 4 - 18, 2021 - Application assistance events
- February 26, 2021 - Application closes
- April 2, 2021 - Acceptance notification to families
- April 22, 2021 - Deadline to accept placement offer

School Choice Virtual Fair

The School Choice Virtual Fair will be held Saturday, January 30, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., online via Zoom with each CCSD magnet/charter school or program. Each school will host three virtual sessions during this time frame. Pre-registration is required, and information to register for your selected schools can be found on the School Choice website.

Each school or program will have representatives to provide information about the school's unique programming and to answer parent questions.

The School Choice Office will also offer three sessions to answer general questions about School Choice and the application process. Translation services will be provided in the general school choice sessions and during individual application assistance events.

For more information, please visit CCSD's expanded School Choice website (with resources available in English and in Spanish) at www.ccsdschools.com/schoolchoice where video tours, frequently asked questions, and the online application have been made available for parents to engage in the process using digital resources. Parents requiring additional information can call the School Choice office at 843-937-6582. Paper applications will be made available upon request.

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About the Charleston County School District

Charleston County School District (CCSD) is a nationally-accredited school district that is committed to providing equitable and quality educational opportunities for all of its students. CCSD is the second-largest school system in South Carolina and represents a unique blend of urban, suburban, and rural schools spanning 1,300 square miles along the coast. CCSD serves more than 50,000 students in 87 schools and specialized programs.

CCSD offers a diverse, expanding portfolio of options and specialized programs, delivered through neighborhood, magnet, IB (international baccalaureate), Montessori, and charter schools. Options include programs in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM); music and other creative and performing arts; career and technical preparation programs; and military.