

HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



HISD | School Choice
EDUCATION. YOUR FUTURE, YOUR CHOICE.



2024-2025 School Choice Presentation

School Choice

Building a Strong Portfolio of Schools

A robust portfolio of schools allows families to choose the school that best meets their child's academic needs and interests.



Exposure to careers

HISD magnet programs are designed to meet the needs of each student, with a focus on accessibility, equity, and individual growth.

HISD magnet programs offer students opportunities to learn about and be exposed to innovative careers.

A Wealth of Options for Families

- ❖ Neighborhood Schools
- ❖ Fine or Performing Arts
- ❖ Pre-K
- ❖ Montessori
- ❖ College and Career Technology
- ❖ Health Professions
- ❖ Single Gender College Prep
- ❖ International Specialty
- ❖ Career and Technical Education
- ❖ Dual Language
- ❖ STEM/STEAM
- ❖ FUTURES Academy
- ❖ Language Immersion
- ❖ Energy
- ❖ Literature
- ❖ Magnet Vanguard
- ❖ And so many more...



Important Steps



Considerations

- Consider the alignment of your interests and needs with the various options
- Visit candidate schools
- Review entrance requirements, if any, and assess whether your scores meets them
- Make a list of schools in priority order
- Apply during Phase I if at all possible



K-12 Phases

Application Phases

Phase 1

(December 10, 2024–
February 12, 2025)

- All qualified applications will be considered- regardless of when within the window the applications were submitted. Phase I is open to all HISD students and HISD employees' children, whether or not they are HISD residents.

Phase 2

(March 20, 2025- One week
prior to the 25-26 school
year)

- All qualified in-district applicants will be considered on a space available in a first-come-first-served basis after Phase I applicants.

All qualified applications from new HISD residents, Out of District, HISD employees, and new to HISD students are considered in the order submitted – dependent on space being available in the program.

K-12 Important Dates and Deadlines – Notification and Claiming Offered Seat

Feb 12

- **Phase I Ends - Final date to change priority order of applications (Choice ranking).**

Mar 20

- **Phase II Applications open-Lottery Notification date**

Apr 3

- **Phase II Applications close**

5 days

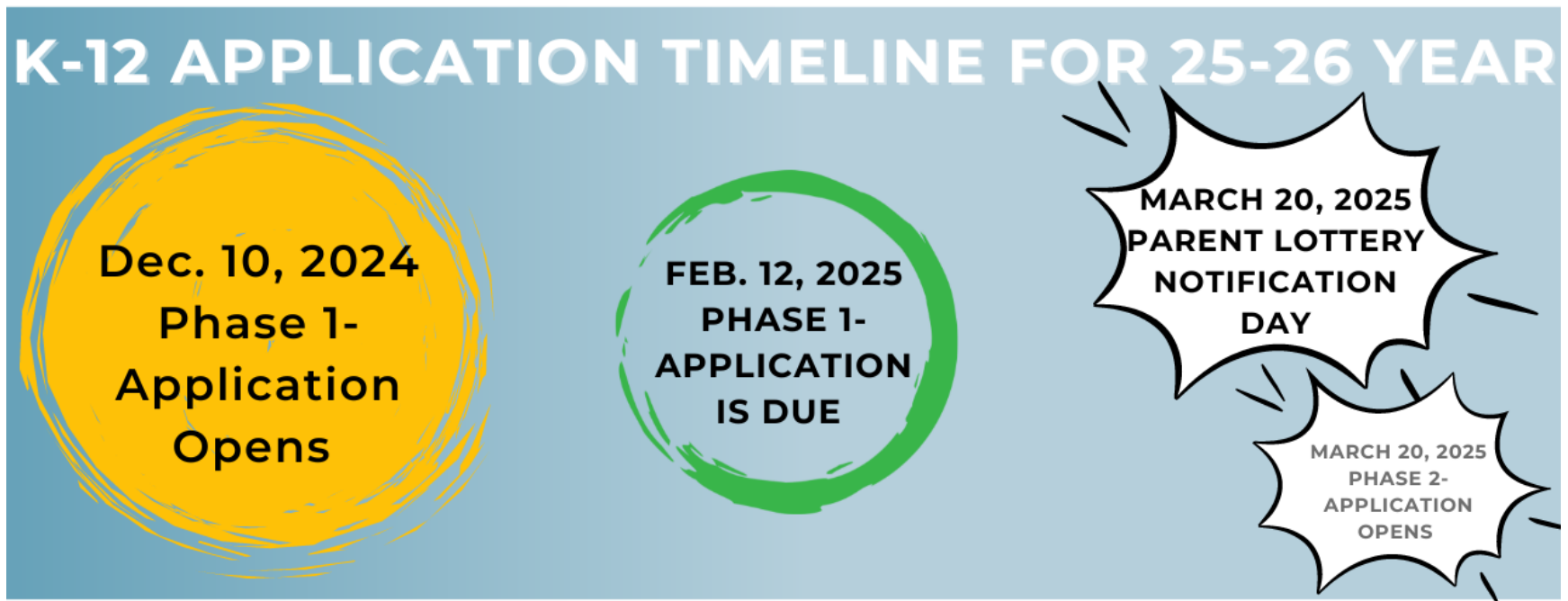
- **5 calendar days from offer date**

School Choice Fairs

At our Saturday School Choice Fairs all Magnet programs will be represented

Location	Date	Time
Milby HS	November 16	(9:00-12:00)
Booker T Washington	December 14	(9:00-12:00)
Westside HS	January 11	(9:00-12:00)
Lamar HS	February 7	(9:00-12:00)

How to Apply



[HISD School Choice / Homepage \(houstonisd.org\)](https://houstonisd.org)

Magnet Tours Thursdays

Every Thursday from **October 10, 2024 through February 5, 2025**, magnet program schools will be open for tours.

Please contact the campus you wish to visit for further information or scheduling



Elementary and K-8 Schools

9:00 AM

**Middle and High Schools
(excludes K-8)**

1:00 PM

Application Resources

For more information visit the following:

- **School Choice –**<https://www.houstonisd.org/schoolchoice>
- **Apply Now –** <https://www.houstonisd.org/schoolchoice>

Online Application Tips

FAQ

Direct Link to Parent

Login

Magnet/ Program

Choice Options



Thank you!

