



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF OSCEOLA COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF CHARTER SCHOOLS & EDUCATIONAL CHOICES

School Choice Application *for High Schools*
School Year 2018-2019

Please return completed application to:
Email: choiceprogramapplication@osceola.k12.fl.us
Fax: (407) 518-2975
Mail: Charter Schools & Educational Choices
 1200 Vermont Ave., St. Cloud FL 34769
For more information: (407) 870-4847

Deadline for all Choice Programs: February 2, 2018

Additional program information and requirements may be found in the 2018-2019 Choice Program Brochure: www.osceolaschools.net/choice

Please read the application carefully. * Incomplete applications will not be processed. * One application per student.

Student Name:		ID Number:	Current Grade:	Grade Applying For:
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> M	Birth Date:	Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s):		Current School:
Ethnic Origins: (check one) Hispanic		or Non-Hispanic		
Race: (check one) American Indian/Alaskan Native		Asian/Pacific Islander	Black/Non Hispanic	White/Non Hispanic
Home Address: (street/ apt number, city, state, zip)				
Mailing Address: (If different than above)				
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	Alternate Number:	
Email of Parent(s)/ Legal Guardian(s):				

CHOICE SCHOOL SELECTION

Directions: Write your 1st & 2nd school of Choice below.

Name 1st CHOICE School: →	
Name of Program:	1.
Name 2nd CHOICE School: →	
Name of Program:	1.

PRIORITY SELECTION - Please select only if applicable (Falsification of information provided on application could lead to ineligibility)

SIBLINGS: Priority will be granted to siblings (brother, sister, half-brother, half-sister, stepbrother, or stepsister) living in the same household. Name of **one (1) sibling who is already attending and will be attending** the same Choice school to which this applicant is applying:

NAME OF SIBLING ATTENDING	SCHOOL	PROGRAM	BI RTH DATE	GRADE

- MILITARY:** Priority will be granted to dependent children of active military personnel whose move resulted from military orders. Please attach the military orders.
- SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES A:** Priority will be granted to children who have been relocated due to foster care placement. Please include supporting documentation.
- SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES B:** Priority will be granted to children who recently moved due to a court-ordered change in custody due to separation, divorce, or the serious illness or death of a custodial parent. Please include custody paperwork, parenting plan, signed court order or doctor/ hospital note as supporting documentation.
- DISTRICT EMPLOYEE:** Priority will be granted to children whose parent is currently employed by the School District of Osceola County.

Employee ID No. _____ Name of School or Dept. _____ Position _____

SIGNATURE: I have read, understand and agree to the following:

1. **Transportation will be responsibility of the parent**, unless applying for an eligible program. For eligible programs, read page three.
2. **Only one (1) application** may be submitted per student. For all new applicants, address changes must be submitted to the Charter Schools and Educational Choices Department in writing. Address changes for current district students must be done at the current school.
3. Students are obligated to accept the choice school they have indicated, if selected, or they **must return** to their **zoned school**.
4. Completion of this application does not guarantee admission.
5. If my child is not selected this year, I must reapply next year.
6. My signature below verifies, that I declare, under penalties of perjury, Pursuant to Florida Statute, Section 92.525, that I have read this application and the information stated in the application is true and correct. Falsification of information on the application could lead to ineligibility.
7. Incoming kindergarteners must be 5 years old by September 1, 2018.

Parent/ Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

School Name	High Schools Choice Programs				
Celebration HS	AVID ⁴	Band	Biomedical Science	Choice for Capacity	Chorus
	AP Computer Science	Dance	Digital Design/Digital Art	Dual Enrollment	International Baccalaureate (IB) - Diploma Programme ² <i>*Requires a separate application process.</i>
	Keyboarding (Piano)	ROTC Air Force	Television Production	Theater/Acting	Visual Arts
Demonstration STEM HS at NeoCity	Applied Engineering				
Gateway HS	AVID ⁴	Band	Choice for Capacity	Chorus	Cybersecurity
	Digital Media/Multi Media Design	Drafting	Dual Enrollment	Engineering Pathway	Guitar
	International Baccalaureate (IB) - Diploma Programme ² <i>*Requires a separate application process</i>	Networking & PC Service	Network System Administration	Orchestra	ROTC Marines
	Teacher Assisting/Principles of Teaching	Theater/Acting	Visual Arts		
Harmony HS	Allied Health Assisting	Animal Science & Services	AP Computer Science	AVID ⁴	Band
	Choice for Capacity	Chorus	Digital Media/Multi Media Design	Digital Video Production	Dual Enrollment
	Fashion Technology & Design Services	Game Simulation/Animation Programming	Guitar	Orchestra	Photography
	ROTC Army	Theater/Acting	Veterinary Assisting	Visual Arts	
Liberty HS	Allied Health Assisting	Agriscience	AP Capstone	AVID ⁴	Band
	Building Trades/Construction Design Technology	Choice for Capacity	Chorus	Digital Design	Digital Video Technology
	Dual Enrollment	Early Childhood Education	EKG to Health Science	Engineering Pathways	Game Simulation/Animation Programming
	Pharmacy Technician	Promotional Enterprise	ROTC - Army	Technical Theater	Theater/Acting
	Visual Arts	Web Design			
Osceola HS	AVID ⁴	Avionics Technology	Band	Choice for Capacity	Chorus
	Culinary Arts	Digital Media/Multimedia Design	Dual Enrollment	Engineering Pathways	Horticulture
	Hospitality and Tourism Management	Junior Achievement Academy	Kowboys Advanced Placement Scholars (KAPS)	Nursing Assistant (CNA)	Promotional Enterprise: Custom Promotional Layout, Design and Management

	ROTC - Air Force	Teacher Assisting/Principles of Teaching	Theater/Acting	Visual Arts	
Poinciana HS	AVID ⁴	Automotive Maintenance and Light Repair	AP Capstone (Ascend Academy)	Band	Building Construction Technology
	Choice for Capacity	Chorus	Culinary Arts	Digital Design/Graphic Design	Digital Video Production
	Dual Enrollment	Finance	Game Simulation/Animation/Audio/Video Effects	Health Science - EKG to Nursing Assistant	Journalism
	Engineering Pathways	Promotional Enterprise	Health Science - Nursing Assistant	ROTC - Navy	Theater/Acting
	Visual Arts	Web Design			
St Cloud HS	AP Computer Science	Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair	AVID ⁴	Band	Brick and Block Masonry
	Building Construction Technology	Choice for Capacity	Chorus	Game Simulation/Animation/Audio/Video Effects	Dance
	Digital Media/Multimedia Design	Digital Video Production	Dual Enrollment	Early Childhood Education	E-Commerce
	Entrepreneurship	Guitar	Nursing Assistant	Orchestra	ROTC - Army
	Teacher Assisting/Principles of Teaching	Technical Theater	Theater/Acting	Visual Arts	
Tohopekaliga HS	Allied Health Assisting	Alternative Energy	Applied Information Technology	Biomedical Science	Choice for Capacity
	Culinary Arts	Cybersecurity	Digital Information Technology	Engineering Pathway	Food Science
	Game Simulation	Java Programming	Network Support Services	Practical Nursing	

All programs require and audition.

Osceola County School for the Arts (OCSA)	Band ¹	Vocal ¹	Creative Writing ¹	Dance ¹	Orchestra ¹
	Technical Theater ¹	Theater/Acting ¹	Visual Arts ¹		

All programs require and audition.

Technical programs start Junior year (11th grade), except Culinary Arts which starts Sophomore year (10th grade).

PATHS	A/C, Refrigeration & Heating Technology 1 & 2 ³	Automotive Service Technology 1 ³	Commercial Foods and Culinary Arts ³	CNA Nursing Assistant/Home Health Aide	CNC Production Specialist (Manufacturing)
	Digital Design ³	Digital Information Technology ³	Dual Enrollment ³	Electricity ³	Future Teachers Academy/Principles of Teaching ³
	Legal Administrative Specialist ³	Medical Administrative Specialist ³	Medical Assisting ³	Medical Coder/Biller ³	Medical Laboratory Assisting ³
	Network Support Services ³	Pharmacy Tech ³	Plumbing ³		

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HS – High School

***IB requires a separate application process.**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TRANSPORTATION: Transportation is provided for eligible choice programs through a corridor busing system. If a student is accepted in a choice program listed below, transportation information will be provided to the parents by the choice school. Transportation for students who live within two miles of the Choice school will be the responsibility of the parent. Bus hub locations to the Choice schools may be limited and located significantly farther from the student's proximity to the nearest stop.

The Choice programs eligible for transportation include:

1. Arts – Osceola County School for the Arts (OCSA)
2. Technology – Professional and Technical High School (PATHS)
3. STEM –Poinciana High School
4. International Baccalaureate (IB) – Celebration High School and Gateway High School
5. Applied Engineering – Demonstration STEM High School at NeoCity

LOTTERY PROCESS: The lottery will be conducted during the week of February 26, 2018 through March 2, 2018. If a program has more first choice applicants than available seats, applicants will be assigned through the lottery selection process according to the following: 1) Dependent children of active duty military personnel whose move resulted from military orders. 2) Children who have been relocated due to foster care placement in a different school zone. 3) Children who move due to a court-ordered change in custody due to separation, divorce, or the serious illness or death of a custodial parent. 4) Siblings, siblings must apply to the same Choice program or school that their sibling is currently attending and will be attending during the school year. 5) Children whose parent works for The School District of Osceola County. 6) Students who reside in the district. 7) Applicants from out of district.

POST LOTTERY: Students who provided their email address on the application and are selected in the Choice lottery will receive notification from the Department of Charter Schools and Education Choices. Students who were not selected in the Choice lottery will receive notification from Department of Charter Schools & Educational Choices via e-mail or U.S. mail during the month of April. Once a student is selected for one of his/her choices, he/she is immediately removed from the waiting list for the remaining program on the application. Students assigned to their first choice assignment cannot choose to remain on the wait list for their second choice.

AUDITIONS (Osceola County School for the Arts Only): After an application is processed by the Department of Charter Schools and Educational Choices, eligible applicants will be scheduled for an audition by The Osceola School for the Arts (OCSA). In order to be eligible for the Choice lottery, the student must receive an eligible audition score from The Osceola County School for the Arts. Eligible applicants will be notified via email of the audition procedures and/or the time and date of the student audition. Higher audition eligibility scores are required for ascending grade levels at The Osceola County School for the Arts. If a child is ill on the date of the audition, that student may be considered for a new audition date and time upon receipt of a medical doctor's written verification of illness. This certification must be submitted to OCSA within three (3) school days of the student's scheduled audition. The school will select a new audition date and time **only if there are more audition dates available.**

APPEALS: Parents/ legal guardians who believe their child was not allowed an equitable opportunity to a Choice program during the eligibility process may request an appeal within five (5) school days of notification of lottery request. Appeal requests may be sent via email to: choiceprogramapplication@osceola.k12.fl.us or U.S. Portal Mail to the Department of Charter Schools and Educational Choices, 1200 Vermont Ave., St. Cloud, FL 34769.

CHOICE FOR CAPACITY: Choice for Capacity is offered if there are seats available beyond the offered Choice programs at a school. If you are not interested in a Choice program, you may select Choice for Capacity.

APPLICATION NOTES

¹ **Auditions OCSA:** All programs at The Osceola County School for the Arts require an audition. After your child's choice application is processed by the Charter Schools & Educational Choices Department, eligible applicants will be scheduled for an audition by The Osceola County School for the Arts (OCSA). Parents will be notified via e-mail of the audition procedures and/or the time and date of the student audition. In order to be eligible for the Choice lottery, the student must receive an eligible audition score.

² **International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme:** In order for your child to be eligible for a High School IB Program, they must meet minimum GPA and FSA score criteria and obtain a guidance counselor and teacher recommendation. Please download the SDOC IB Teacher & Grade Verification Form located here, <http://www.osceolaschools.net/ibverificationform> and have your child submit the form to his/ her school guidance counselor. Students not meeting eligibility criteria will be considered ineligible, and will not be placed in the choice lottery for that program. If your child is applying as a new student or out-of-district student, please contact the Choice Department at (407) 870-4847 for additional information.

³ **Professional & Technical High School:** In order for your student to be eligible for programs located at Professional & Technical High School (PATHS), they must complete an additional application located here http://path.osceolaschools.net/about_paths/how_to_apply and meet with minimum GPA and FSA score criteria. Students who do not have a FSA score must go to TECO, take the TABE test and meet the minimum score criteria. Students not meeting eligibility criteria will be considered ineligible, and will not be placed in the Choice lottery for that program.

⁴ **AVID Choice Programs:** In order for your child to be eligible for an AVID Choice Program, he/ she must complete the AVID Program Application located here, <http://www.osceolaschools.net/avidprogramapp> submit two teacher references, and receive an interview. After the choice application is processed by the Charter Schools and Educational Choices Department, eligible applicants will be scheduled for an interview. Please submit the completed application and two teacher references to the Choice school's AVID coordinator or front office. If your child is applying as a new student or out-of-district resident, please contact the Choice Department for instruction at (407) 870-4847.