PHILLY HIGH SCHOOL FAIR Virtual

How to prepare your students to use the virtual fair website

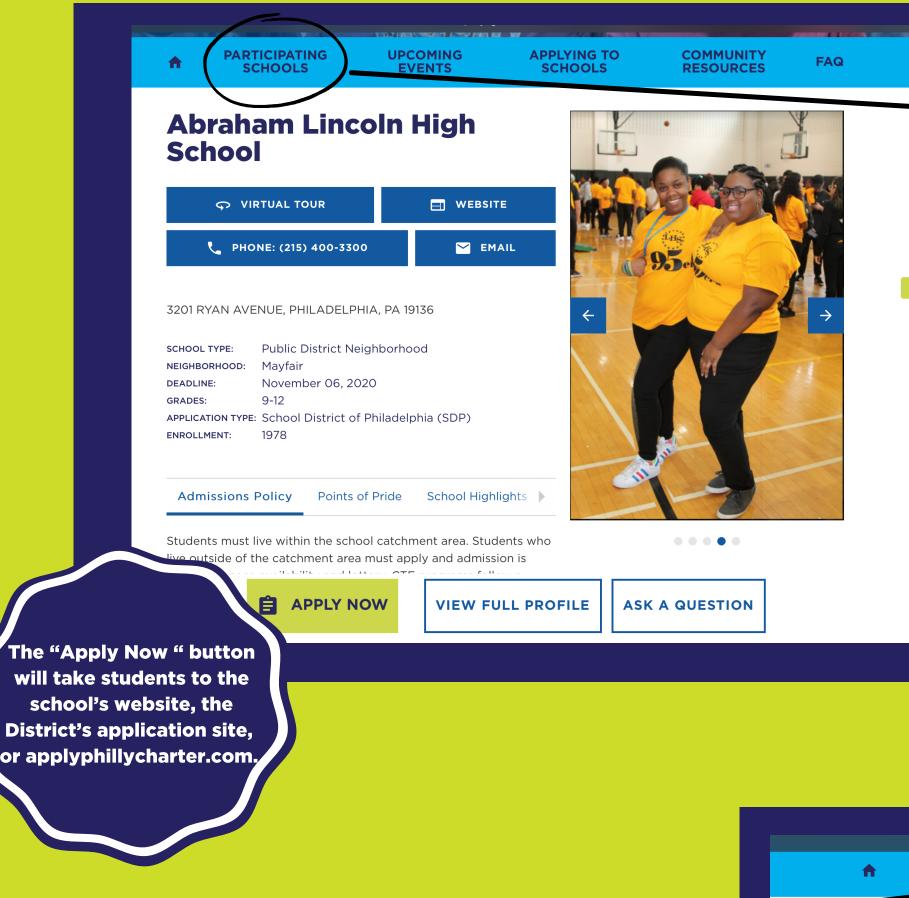
The Philly High School Fair is the only citywide event that connects students and families with high schools of all types throughout Philadelphia. The 2021 Fair will be held virtually through a relaunch of the phillyhighschoolfair.com website, going live at the beginning of September. The event is free to attend and no registration, login or special software is required.

Connect one-onone with representatives from individual schools through zoom meetings. Learn how to choose the right high school for you! Then, view the timeline and instructions to apply to public district, charter and private high schools. See each school's highlights, videos, application info and more on their virtual booth page. Check out community organizations to enhance your high school experience and beyond.

Helping your students with School Selection using phillyhighschoolfair.com

Get started by introducing students to the application process through the "Find Your Great High School" video in the Applying to Schools tab on the virtual High School Fair or GreatPhillySchools' digital or print resources (https://greatphillyschools.org/s/re sources).





Next, check out the <u>Participating Schools</u> tab to explore high schools by name and application type.

To learn about a particular school, click on their profile to access their virtual booth, where you'll find information on school highlights, video tours, application information, upcoming school events, meet with a school representative, and more!

For access to more info on academic performance, school incidents, demographics, full courses and activities, click "View Full Profile" to go to the GreatPhillySchools' profile.

Get to know schools even more by registering for virtual events found in the "School Events" tab.

Once students have selected their top schools, it's time to prepare them for applying! Ensure that they are informed on the <u>deadlines to</u>



Learn how to start the application process and when to apply to find your great high school!

<u>apply</u>, requirements for application (including essays or interviews) and other items to consider, such as financial aid applications.

For prospective 9th graders, reinforce key deadlines on the "Applying to Schools" page and encourage them to plan in advance by creating milestones to submit applications before the deadlines.



Family FAQs

When does the virtual event start and end?

Check out the new phillyhighschoolfair.com site starting the beginning of September through the end of January 2022.

Do I need to register or sign in with a password?

No, just go to phillyhighschoolfair.com on any internet-connected device, whether it be a smart phone, Chromebook or computer! You do not need to download any special software.

Who should attend the High School Fair?

All families with 7th and 8th grade students should attend the fair, but it's never too early or late to start looking at your high school options.

Are there any interactive virtual events that I can attend?

Yes. Schools will be posting their individual virtual events through the Events page on the High School Fair website. Virtual events may be open houses, shadow days, info sessions and more.

I'm in 8th grade, but didn't take my PSSA test last year due to the COVID school closures. What are the new application requirements for this year?

All schools will be posting updated application requirements through their virtual High School Fair booth page and on greatphillyschools.org.