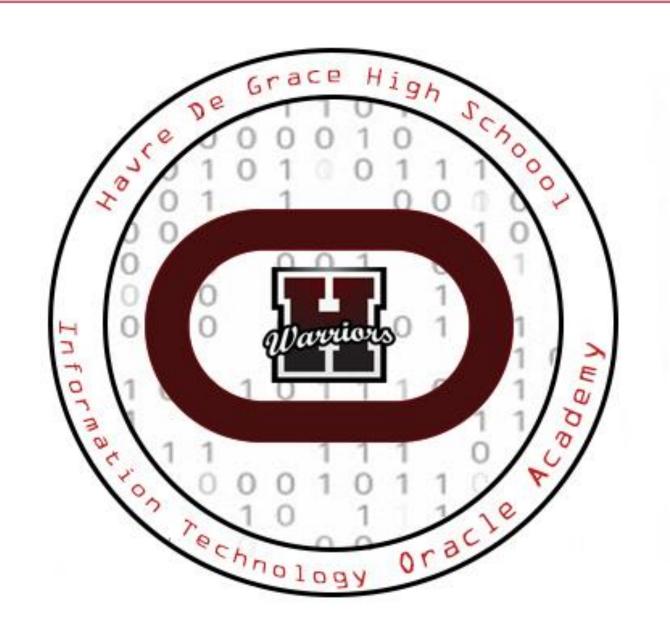
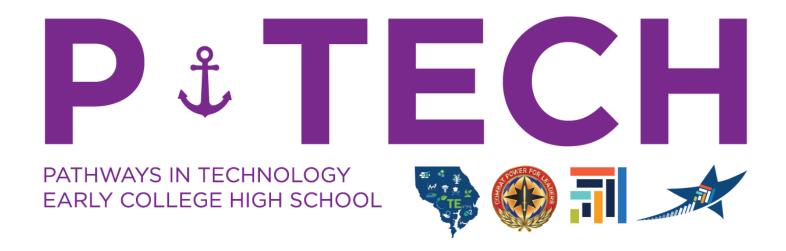
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Magnet Program Information Night





Frequently Asked Questions

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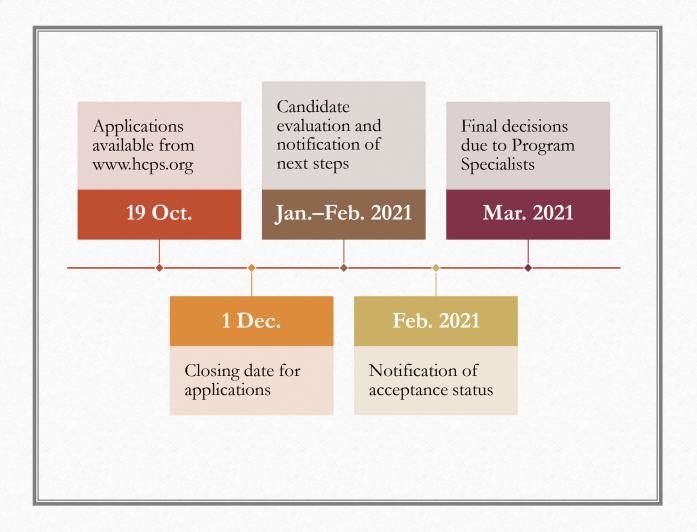
Admission Requirements

What do we look at?

- Grades/GPA
- Standardized testing
- Teacher endorsement
- Activity List
- Essay
- Assessment (following initial screening)







Application Timeline





Program Specific Requirements



GSIB– Algebra I required; Geometry recommended



NRAS and ITOA – Algebra I recommended



SMA – Algebra I and Geometry required before entering 9th grade



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Attendance

Program specific requirements can be found on the application

Round 2Next Step in
the
Admissions
Process

- Students who meet the minimum admissions criteria for:
 - **IB, SMA and NRAS** will be invited to take a Science and Mathematics Entrance Exam in January. Details with the location, date, and time of the test will be sent to invited students.
 - **Harford Tech and ITOA** will review report cards for Quarter 2
 - **PTECH** Interest meetings

The Application Process



All applications will be submitted online (including non-HCPS students)



If you need help – use the "Guide to the On-Line Application" found in your booklet, see your counselor, or contact the appropriate Program Specialist



You may apply to a maximum of 3 programs

This includes only 1 from Harford Tech

Teacher Endorsements

• All HCPS students – you will select your teachers from a drop-down menu. There is nothing more you need to do.

All non-HCPS students

- 1. Teachers contact information will be added under the personal information tab.
- 2. Correct teacher email is required

Communication



All admissions notifications will be sent electronically.



PLEASE be sure both <u>parent</u> and <u>student</u> email addresses are accurate, valid, and checked regularly.



Set your email filter to accept emails from webmaster@hcps.org and our Program Specialists' email addresses.



Check your SPAM folder.

Transportation



GSIB, ITOA, NRAS, PTECH and SMA will utilize the high school depot stops.



Harford Tech uses consolidated bus stops.



There is no charge for transportation.



The HCPS Transportation Office will send information out in mid-August with information on bus numbers and pick up times for each of the locations for those students outside of their attendance area

Open House Dates

- These can also be found in your booklet and on www.hcps.org
 - October 20

 Science and Mathematics Academy
 - October 21- Natural Recourses and Agricultural Sciences
 - October 22 Harford Technical
 - October 27 Global Studies and International Baccalaureate
 - October 28- Information Technology Oracle Academy
 - October 29 Pathways in Technology Early
 College High School PTECH

Changes for 2021-22

- Pathways in Technology Early College High Schools – PTECH – system wide
- Teacher endorsements will be from grade 7 teachers