

NYC DOE BOROUGH TOWN HALLS

# Screened Admissions



# Tonight's Agenda

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## Introductions

Who we are

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## Presentation

Why we are here

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## Comments

We want to hear from you!

# Welcome!

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# Listening Sessions

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- ★ Students
- ★ Families
- ★ School Leaders
- ★ Teachers
- ★ Community & Advocacy Groups
- ★ Elected Officials

## **Borough Town Halls**

- **Bronx:** Wednesday May 27th (6pm-8pm)
- **Queens:** Thursday May 28th (6pm-8pm)
- **Staten Island:** Friday May 29th (6pm-8pm)
- **Manhattan:** Monday June 1st (6pm-8pm)
- **Brooklyn:** Tuesday June 2nd (6pm-8pm)

# Why we are here today

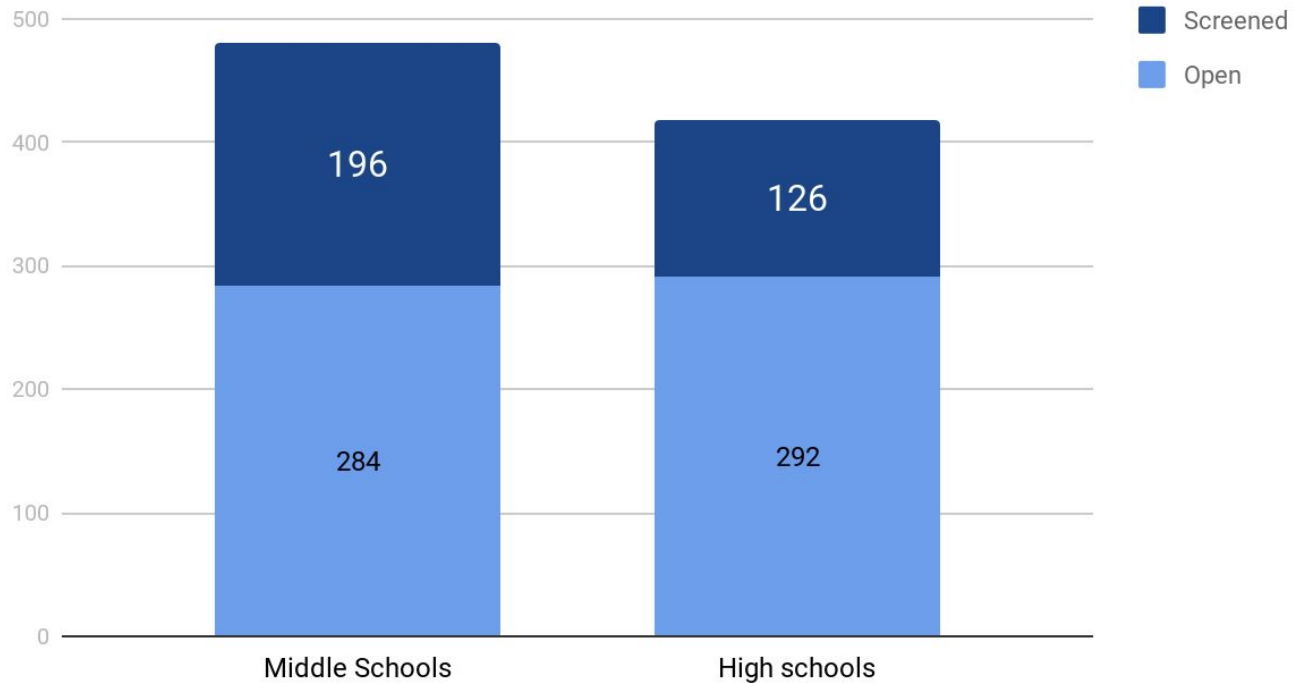
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- No decisions have been made yet
- We want to hear from you!
- Use your input to help us create policy

# What are screened schools?

- Rank students based on academics
- **Middle School:** 4th grade information
- **High School:** 7th grade information

## Number of Screened Schools



# How has COVID-19 affected Screened Schools?

## FINAL GRADES

Adjusted for one year

## STATE TESTS

Suspended for one year

## ATTENDANCE

Suspended for one year



# Principles

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Be Fair  
Be Transparent  
Reduce Burdens

## Ideas we've heard most often

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### SUSPEND SCREENS

Freeze screens for one year.  
Offers would be driven by student choice.

### USE MARKING PERIOD GRADES

4th and 7th grade core course grades through February 2020

### USE LAST YEAR'S GRADES

MS: 3rd grade final grades  
HS: 6th grade final grades

### USE LAST YEAR'S TEST SCORES

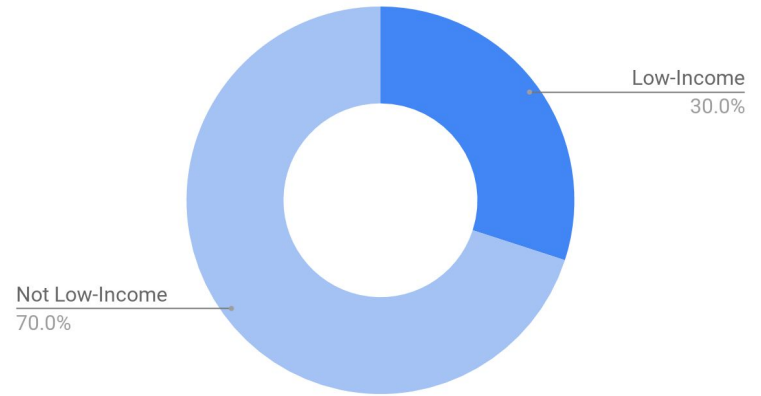
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# Marking Period Grades

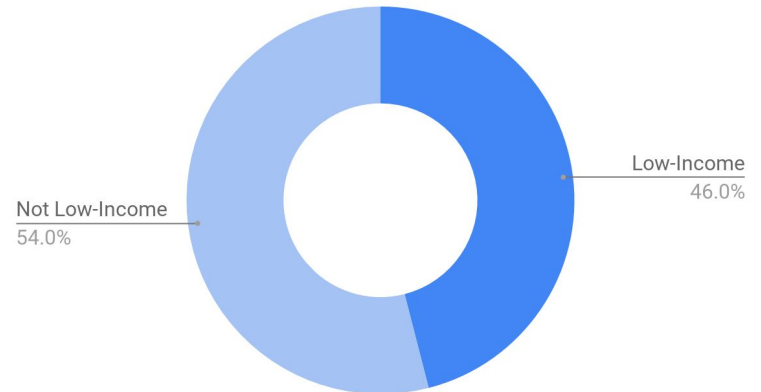
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Students perform worse in marking periods compared to final grades, especially high-needs students.

High-performing 4th graders using Marking Period Grades



High-performing 4th graders using Final Grades



## Last Year's Tests

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Many students perform worse on 3rd and 6th grade test scores than on 4th and 7th grade test scores

# 1 in 5

4th graders performs at least one level worse on 3rd grade state tests

# 1 in 6

7th graders performs at least one level worse on 6th grade state tests

# Questions

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

- How should screened schools admit students this fall?
- Use grades? How?
- Use tests? How?
- Anything else that should or should not be used?

## HIGH SCHOOL

- How should screened schools admit students this fall?
- Use grades? How?
- Use tests? How?
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**Thank you  
for joining!**

If you have questions or additional feedback, please email:  
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