

**JOHN C. DUNHAM STEM PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL
STUDENT SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR
PARENT INFORMATION SHEET**

Thank you for your interest in the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School. If you would like your child to be considered for enrollment in the school for the 2018-19 school year, please refer to the procedures below which will be utilized for the student selection process.

1. You are encouraged to attend the Parent Information Meeting to learn more about the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School and the student selection process. The meeting is at Aurora University on April 4, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the University Banquet Hall.
2. Only incoming third graders will likely be admitted to the school in the fall. Students at other grade levels who apply will be added to the waiting list established in previous years.
3. Complete the *Parent or Third Adult Lottery Application*. Only one form should be submitted per student seeking enrollment in the school. Please print legibly. The information you provide will be used to contact you as needed during the selection process.
4. **Return the *Parent or Third Adult Lottery Application* as soon as possible, but no later than end of school day Friday, April 13, 2018.** Applications received after this date will not be accepted. These surveys should be returned to classroom teachers.
5. You will receive a receipt from your child's school acknowledging your *Parent or Third Adult Lottery Application* has been received. If you do not receive the receipt, please call the school office as soon as possible but no later than Monday, April 16th.
6. The information you provide along with your child's academic records will be reviewed by your child's teacher to determine if he/she meets the eligibility criteria for admission to the school. If more students are eligible for enrollment per grade level than there are available spaces, a lottery will be held to determine which students are invited to enroll in the school. Your school district will notify you by phone and/or by an email sent Friday, April 27th if your child is not eligible to participate in the lottery.
7. District lotteries will be held during the week of April 30th. Your child's student ID number will be used for lottery purposes. All numbers will be drawn during the lottery and a waiting list will be established for the numbers drawn beyond the seats available.
8. If your child's student ID number is selected for an available seat in the school, you will receive a letter from your school district via e-mail by May 4th. The letter will include a formal acceptance letter. You must sign and return the formal acceptance letter by the date stated on the letter to secure a space in the school.
9. If your child's ID number was not selected at the lottery for an available seat in the school, a letter will be sent to you by May 4th. Your child will be placed on a waiting list with your school district and remain on the waiting list through his/her eighth grade year.
10. Should an opening occur at the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School during any consecutive year, parents of children on the waiting list will be notified by their school district in the order their child's ID number was selected at the lottery.



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STEM Partnership School Frequently Asked Questions

1. How do I apply? The application will be available on the District 204 website (www.ipSD.org) on Wednesday, April 4, 2017. Complete the application and turn it into your school office by the end of the school day on April 13, 2018.
2. How are children chosen to attend the school? District 204 will hold a lottery the week of April 30th for incoming third grade students only. Families will be notified by letter (by May 4, 2018) if the student was one of the eight students chosen by lottery to attend the school. Students not chosen will be notified by letter (after May 6, 2018) of his/her number on the waitlist.
3. How long is the bus ride to the STEM School from District 204? Some routes may take an hour.
4. Will my student be able to participate in extracurricular activities in District 204 while attending the STEM School? Students will NOT be able to participate in District 204 extracurricular activities while attending the STEM School. This also includes Band, Orchestra and Chorus at the middle school

Please remember, if selected, you are making a commitment for your child to attend the STEM Partnership School for grades 3 through 8.

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IPSD Questions—Contact Dawn Monkman 630-375-3000