

# 2022 High School Choice



# Overview

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- High School Choice Applications
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# Paterson's High Schools

*All District high schools offer:*

- Advanced Placement courses
- Dual Enrollment courses
- Extra Curricular activities and clubs
- Access to sports programs (*located at EHS & JFK*)
- Certification opportunities
- As well as...
  - Largely uniform freshmen experience
  - Thematic programs & pathways for Grades 10-12

# PPS High Schools Thematic Pathways

# What is a Pathway?

- A pathway is a sequence of courses, usually 3 (sometimes 4) classes taken once per year
- The first course introduces students to a specific academic theme or career
- Each course after provides more rigorous and specialized training & learning opportunities
- *Each high school in our District has different pathways available to students.*

# Pathways

## Four Year Pathways

- JROTC
- Cosmetology
- Paterson P-TECH
- Rosa Parks

## Three Year Pathways

- 9th Grade Freshman Seminar
- Grades 10-12 Pathway Coursework



**Pay attention to the  
pathways, and ask  
yourself, “*Am I  
INTERESTED?*”**

# Eastside Educational Campus

Pathways offered:

- Junior Reserve Officers' Training ( JROTC)
- Culinary Science
- Marketing
- Automotive
- Cosmetology
- Law & Public Safety





# Eastside Educational Campus

## *Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC)*

### Focus: Four-Year Program

- Prepare each student for college & career
- Developing each cadet's leadership skills and character
- Transform cadets - servants of their community, including:
  - Thanksgiving Dinner - Feed the Needy
- Benefits - part of a special school group filled with pride
- Advance 3 or 4 ranks in Army if you complete Leadership Education Training (LET)
- College Scholarships, advanced standing with Senior Reserve Training Corps (SROTC)



# Eastside Educational Campus

## *Culinary Science (10-12)*

- Culinary & Baking
- Grilling Ghost Cafe
- Clubs - SkillsUSA competitions
- Internships - local hospitality companies
- College Connections - PCCC, FDU





# Eastside Educational Campus

## *Marketing Pathways (10-12)*

- Student-Run School Store
- Club: DECA - County & State Competitions
- College connections - FDU, WPU



# Eastside Educational Campus

## *Cosmetology*

- 4 year program
- Taught by Licensed Cosmetologists
- Learn how to properly care for skin, hair, and nails
- Provide services to the community
- 1000 hours of seat time and State certification examine to receive **NJ CERTIFICATION**
- Career ready after high school graduation



# Eastside Educational Campus

## *Automotive*

- 3 year course sequence
- Safety, Tools, and Equipment
- Hands on Training with Models
- Auto Repair Service
- College & Technical Career School Opportunities for Automotive Service Excellence(ASE) Certification





# Eastside High School

## Law and Public Safety

- Intro to Law & Public Safety
- Intro to Criminal Justice
- Intro to Psychology/Intro to Sociology
- Field Experience
  - Internships
- Students will be able to obtain certifications in areas such as:
  - 911/EMD Dispatcher/First Aide
  - Sora License
  - EMT

# John F. Kennedy High School

## Pathways Offered:

- Construction Trades
  - Carpentry
  - Construction & Trade
- Business Pathway
  - Marketing
  - Accounting/Finance
  - Logistics
- Education & Training
- Communications



# John F. Kennedy High School

## Construction Pathway -

## *Construction Trades and Carpentry*

- 3 Course Sequence
  - Industry Credentials
  - College Credit
- Co-Curricula Club
  - Skills USA
- Field Opportunities
  - Construction Tours
  - Hands On Training



# John F. Kennedy High School

## *Business Pathway - Marketing*

- 3 Course Sequence
  - College Credits
- Co-Curricula Club
  - DECA
- Field Experience
  - Bright Knight School Store
  - Marketing Internship



# John F. Kennedy High School

## *Business Pathway - Accounting/ Finance*

- 3 Course Sequence
  - Finance/Accounting I/Accounting II
- Co-Curricula Club
  - Future Business Leaders of America
- Field Experience
  - The Castle
  - Accounting Internship

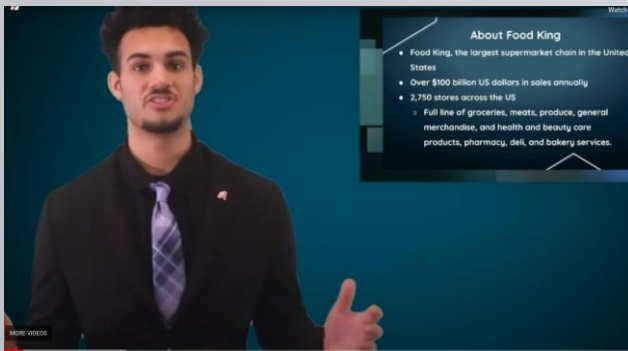




# John F. Kennedy High School

## *Business Pathway - Logistics*

- 3 Course Sequence
  - College Credits
- Co-Curricula Club
  - Skills USA
- Field Experience
  - Bright Knight School Store
  - Logistics Internship



# John F. Kennedy High School

## *Education and Training*

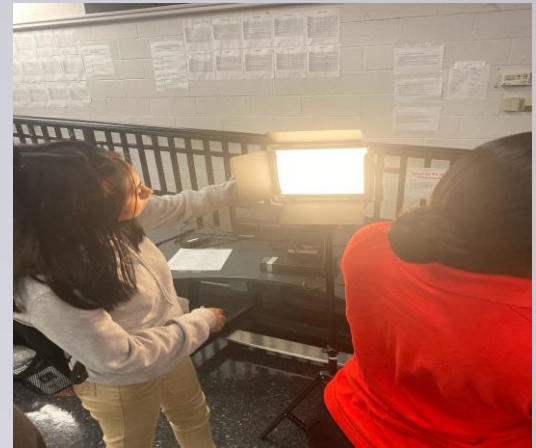
- Careers in Education
- Field Experience
- Dual Enrollment



# John F. Kennedy High School

## *Communications*

- Sports Communications
- Social Media Management/Public Relations



# Paterson STEAM High School

STEAM is an acronym for Sustainability Skills, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Medical Arts and typically refers to programs that create interdisciplinary, project based learning opportunities for students

## Pathways offered:

- Sustainability Studies
- Technology
- Engineering
- Advanced **M**edical Studies and **M**edical Arts



# Paterson STEAM High School

## *Sustainability Studies*

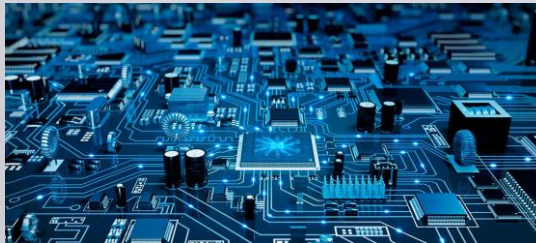
- Uses life science, physical science, engineering, math, computer science, the humanities, and the arts to explore how we can better support the health and welfare of all living things in the Earth System
- Prepares students for careers in the green economy, including in sustainable energy, agriculture, education, or field science



# Paterson STEAM High School

## *Computer Science and Information Technology*

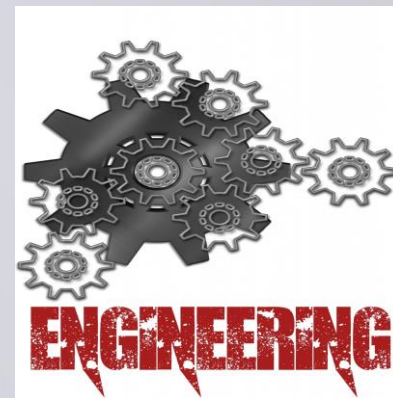
- Includes courses that emphasize the use of technology to address societal and environmental challenges
- Prepare students for careers in network administration, software engineering, computer animation, multimedia production and programming



# Paterson STEAM High School

## *Engineering*

- Utilization of nationally renowned Project Lead The Way courses to engage students in compelling, real-world challenges that help them become better collaborators and thinkers
- Prepares students for careers in civil or electrical engineering or design



# Paterson STEAM High School

## *Medical and Dental Arts*

- Rigorous academic program
- Includes Dual Enrollment courses offered by Rutgers University
- Advanced Placement courses offered
- Preparation for careers in the health sciences as physicians, nurses, dental assistants, and many other positions in the health care professions





# International High School: An IB World School

International Baccalaureate, or IB, is a rigorous, two-year program that results in personal and academic development and, upon successful completion, a globally recognized diploma.

Pathways offered:

- International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB)
- International Baccalaureate Career Programme (IB)
- PLTW Engineering

**\*ALL STUDENTS MUST INTERVIEW FOR IHS**



# International High School: An IB World School

## *IB Diploma Programme*

- Recognized and respected by the world's leading universities
- The programme aims to develop students who have excellent breadth and depth of knowledge
- IB courses are known for being interdisciplinary, requiring a good deal of independent thinking, and assigning oral presentations and original research



# International High School: An IB World School

## *IB Career Programme*

- Leads to further/higher education, apprenticeships or employment
- Combines academic subjects with YOUR professional interests.
- Focus on engineering

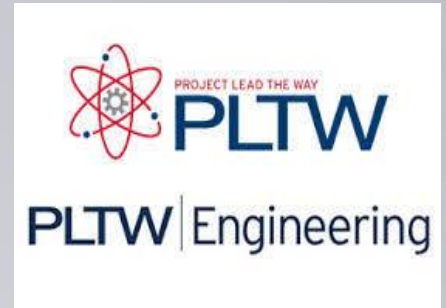




# International High School: An IB World School

## *PLTW Engineering*

- Introduction to Engineering Design
- Principles of Engineering
- Civil Engineering and Architecture



# Paterson P-TECH

## Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH)

Paterson P-TECH is a public, theme-driven high school focused on the rigorous study of Computer Science. In 2018, PPS established a partnership between IBM and PCCC to provide students an opportunity to gain first-hand experience in STEM fields, college credits, paid internship and potentially an associate's degree in Computer Information Technology.

- Network Administration
- Technical Support
- Web and Mobile Development



# Paterson P-TECH

## Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH)

- Our vision is to provide a challenging learning environment that maximizes individual potential and equips students to meet life, college, and career challenges in our ever-changing global society.
- In addition to the high school requirements, which includes a mandatory Summer Bridge program and the opportunity to take college courses.



# Paterson P-TECH

## IBM Partnership



- Students who attend Paterson P-TECH can gain relevant work experience at the end of their Junior year with a paid summer internship at IBM.
- As part of the program, students choose a career pathway and take courses that provide the academic, technical, and workplace skills that are attractive to employers.
  - Flexibility of completing Associate Degree (4-6 yrs)
  - Associate's Degree at no cost to student/family
  - Employment opportunities with IBM upon graduation
  - **All students will be interviewed**



# Rosa L. Parks School of Fine & Performing Arts

## *Fine and Performing Arts*

- Drama and Theatre
- Dance
- Vocal & Instrumental
- Communication/Fine and Commercial Arts
- **ALL STUDENTS MUST AUDITION**



***ALL* Paterson High  
Schools prepare  
students for College  
AND Career**

# ***Department of Guidance and Counseling***





# LOOK FOR THE HELPERS

## STUDENT

**School  
Counselor**



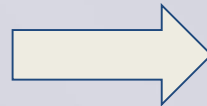
**Case Manager**

**Parents/Guardians**

# Individual and Whole Group Workshops

- *Responsible Decision-Making*
  - Making choices to complete goals
  - Knowing how to make informed decisions
- *Self-Awareness*
  - Knowing your strengths
  - Being in control of your future
- *Self-Management*
  - Planning for something you want
  - Work to accomplish your goals

# CONNECT for SUCCESS



**Visit the Paterson Public Schools  
Website**



**Paterson.k12 email address and  
ppsstaff.org**



**Google Classroom**

# Department of Special Education





# Department of Central Registration

# Admission Types

## Lottery System

- Paterson STEAM HS
- Eastside Cosmetology

## Auditions/Interview

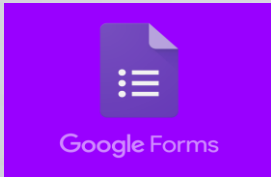
- Rosa Parks HS
- International HS
- PAterson P-Tech

## Auditions/Interview

- Rosa Parks HS
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# Application Process

## What Changed?



# Application Process

- One Application for ALL SCHOOLS
- Application opens Friday, December 16th
- Application closes Friday, January 13th
- If you applied to Rosa Parks, International and /or Paterson P-Tech High Schools you will be contacted by the school to schedule a REQUIRED audition and/or interview.
- High School decisions will begin on March 31st and sent out by email.
- Students must respond by April 13th to confirm their acceptance and reserve their spot.
- Waitlist students will begin to be informed on April 14th.



# Application Timeline

<b>December 15th</b>	<b>HS Choice Fair for Families (Virtual)</b>
<b>December 16th</b>	<b>HS Choice Application is live on the HS Choice Webpage</b>
<b>January 13th</b>	<b>Application closes</b>
<b>January 13th - March 16th</b>	<b>Lottery, Interview or Auditions are scheduled</b>
<b>January 20th</b>	<b>Recommendation letters are due from teachers</b>
<b>March 17th</b>	<b>Schools final acceptances sent to District office</b>
<b>March 31st</b>	<b>1st round placement letters are distributed via email</b>
<b>April 13th</b>	<b>Student responses due to schools</b>
<b>April 19th</b>	<b>Waitlist Students will be notified</b>

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## Parents

### Parents Sections

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### Parent Resources

- [Infinite Campus](#)
- [Otus](#)
- [Youth Suicide Reporting, Prevention, And Intervention](#)
- [Paterson Recreation](#)
- [NJ Family Website](#)
- [N. J. Youth Helpline](#)

### Code of Student Conduct

[Handbook](#)

### Announcements



2022-2023

**PATERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**DISTRICT ANNUAL STEM EXPO**

Please join us to celebrate our future Scientists and Engineers as they share their research and innovations.

**Date:** Tuesday, December 13, 2022

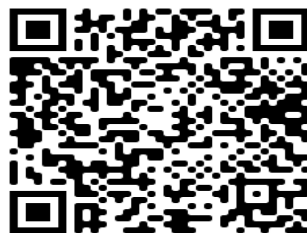
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# ***Thank You!***

## **HS Choice Application Access**



**Questions?  
Please email**

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