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From the Desk of the Project Director

I hope you enjoyed the mid-Winter recess and have found time to recharge your batteries for the road ahead. February was a busy month and it has truly been a pleasure meeting and speaking with the members of MS 890's neighbor school communities. In many of the schools I've visited, the parents, teachers, students and school administrators are all so passionate about the education of our students. There are a lot of great practices going on in our schools, and I look forward to continuing these practices with the students at MS 890.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions, ideas or feedback. My email is

nfrangella@schools.nyc.gov.

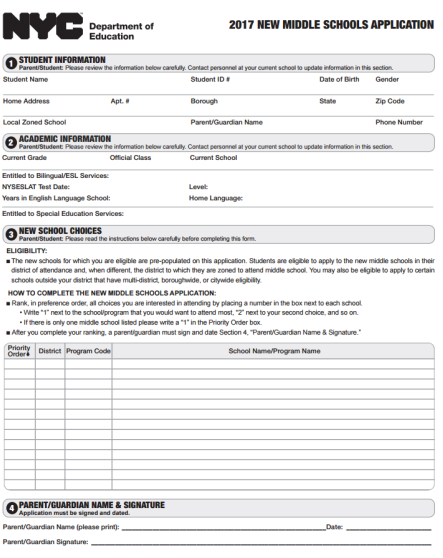
Thank you…

To the parents, administators, and staff of the following schools that hosted information sessions for MS 890:

PS 217
PS 245
PS 139
PS 152
PS 315
PS 193

Apply Now!

The New Middle School Application Deadline is Wednesday March 1st!



NYC Department of Education

2017 NEW MIDDLE SCHOOLS APPLICATION

1 STUDENT INFORMATION
Parent/Student: Please review the information below carefully. Contact personnel at your current school to update information in this section.

Student Name | Student ID # | Date of Birth | Gender
Home Address | Apt. # | Borough | State | Zip Code
Local Zoned School | Parent/Guardian Name | Phone Number

2 ACADEMIC INFORMATION
Parent/Student: Please review the information below carefully. Contact personnel at your current school to update information in this section.

Current Grade | Official Class | Current School
Entitled to Bilingual/ESL Services:
NYSESLAT Test Date: | Level:
Years in English Language School: | Home Language:
Entitled to Special Education Services:

3 NEW SCHOOL CHOICES
Parent/Student: Please read the instructions below carefully before completing this form.

ELIGIBILITY:
- The new schools for which you are eligible are pre-populated on this application. Students are eligible to apply to the new middle schools in their district of attendance and, when different, the district to which they are zoned to attend middle school. You may also be eligible to apply to certain schools outside your district that have multi-district, boroughwide, or citywide eligibility.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE NEW MIDDLE SCHOOLS APPLICATION:
- Rank, in preference order, all choices you are interested in attending by placing a number in the box next to each school.
  - Write "1" next to the school/program that you would want to attend most, "2" next to your second choice, and so on.
  - If there is only one middle school listed please write a "1" in the Priority Order box.
- After you complete your ranking, a parent/guardian must sign and date Section 4, "Parent/Guardian Name & Signature."

Priority Order	District	Program Code	School Name/Program Name

4 PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME & SIGNATURE
Application must be signed and dated.

Parent/Guardian Name (please print): _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

All 5th graders in district 22 should have received a New School Application. A sample application is shown here.

If you are interested in MS 890, be sure to place a 1 in the priority column next to the school name. The program code is **K890U**

Prospective Students—Vote Now!

Students thinking about MS 890 as an option can visit our website and vote on the types of enrichment opportunities and extracurriculars they would like to see at the school.

CLICK HERE TO VOTE

District 22 CEC Meeting

The March D 22 CEC meeting will take place Thursday, March 2nd at 7:00 PM at PS 269 (1957 Nostrand Avenue).

For Your Reference:

While college may be a long way away for our incoming students, it is never too early to start thinking about the types of skills necessary to be successful in college and career:

Employer Priorities for Most Important College Learning Outcomes

Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World
- Knowledge and understanding of democratic institutions and values 87% ■
- Broad knowledge in the liberal arts and sciences 78% ■
- Intercultural skills and understanding of societies and cultures outside the US 78% ■

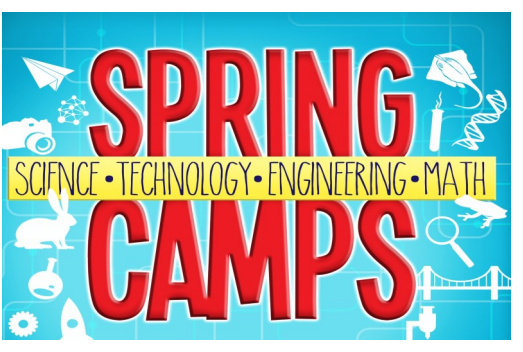
Intellectual and Practical Skills
- Oral communication 85% ❖
- Teamwork skills in diverse groups 83% ❖
- Written communication 82% ❖
- Critical thinking and analytic reasoning 81% ❖
- Complex problem solving 70% ❖
- Information literacy 68% ❖
- Innovation and creativity 65% ❖
- Technological skills 60% ❖
- Quantitative reasoning 56% ❖

Personal and Social Responsibility
- Problem solving in diverse settings 96% ■
- Civic knowledge, skills, and judgment essential for contributing to the community and to our democratic society 86% ■
- Ethical judgment and decision making 81% ❖

Integrative and Applied Learning
- Applied knowledge in real-world settings 80% ❖

Note: These data are taken from *Falling Short? College Learning and Career Success*, a 2015 report on findings from a survey of employers and a survey of college students conducted for AAC&U by Hart Research Associates. For a full report on this survey and earlier reports on employer views, see www.aacu.org/leap.

■ indicates percentage of employers who "strongly agree" or "somewhat agree" that, "regardless of a student's chosen field of study," every student should attain this area of knowledge or skill.
❖ indicates percentage of employers who rate this outcome as very important (8-10 on a 10 point scale) for recent graduates entering the job market.



ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS CAN APPLY NOW FOR EXCITING SCIENCE AND STEM ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS DURING SPRING BREAK!

PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE AT THE NYC DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY CENTER AND NYC CENTER FOR SPACE SCIENCE EDUCATION, THE BRONX ZOO, CENTRAL PARK ZOO, INTREPID SEA, AIR & SPACE MUSEUM, MUSEUM OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, NEW YORK AQUARIUM, PROSPECT PARK ZOO, QUEENS BOTANICAL GARDEN, QUEENS ZOO, AND STATEN ISLAND ZOO.

ALL PROGRAMS RUN FROM MONDAY, APRIL 10 THROUGH FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2017.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2017.

CLICK HERE TO APPLY.

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