

Enrollment Frequently Asked Questions & Answers

When does the New Heights Charter School of Brockton application become available each year?

The New Heights Charter School of Brockton Application becomes available online during early December & will remain open through the end of the fall.

Why does New Heights have 2 applications for 2 different years available at the same time? Sometimes two applications are available at the same time: one for the current school year and one for the upcoming school year. If the school still has open seats for the current year, that application may remain open while next year's application is also available.

Please make sure to select and submit the application for the correct school year your child is applying for.

Is the application available in multiple languages?

Yes, the online application is available in Haitian Creole, Cape Verdean Creole, Spanish, and Portuguese.

Does my child automatically get a seat after the application is submitted? No, all applications must go through a lottery process. The lottery date and time will be posted on the website at least 30-days prior to the lottery date. Additionally, all applicants will receive an email with all information regarding the lottery. Lottery placement is randomly selected and based on seat availability for particular grades. Seat offers will be communicated to families via the email(s) listed on the application.

How do I know if a seat has been offered to my student(s)?

Seat offers are communicated to families via the email(s) listed on the application. Please be sure to keep an eye out for emails from noreplyenrollment@powerschool.com and enrollment@nhcsb.org. To ensure that you receive email communications from New Heights Charter School of Brockton, please be sure to remove both email addresses from the spam folder.

How long do I have to accept a seat offer from NHCSB for next school year? • If your student is offered a seat between March and August, you have **10 business days** to accept a seat

How long do I have to accept a seat offer during the current school year? • If your student is offered a seat during the current school year (between September-January), you have **3 business days** to accept the seat

What happens if I miss the offer after the allotted response time? Will my student still have the opportunity to attend New Heights?

If families don't respond within the allotted time, that student's seat is automatically declined then that seat is offered to the next student on the waiting list. If families are still interested in the opportunity for their student to attend, they must resubmit a new application. Again, please be sure to check your email and be sure to update your contact information if anything changes.

What do I do if my contact information such as email, phone number and address change after I submit an application?

Please be sure to contact enrollment at enrollment@nhcbs.org or 508-857-5721 ext. 1302 with updated contact, and we'll make those updates on our end.

Does New Heights Charter School of Brockton offer transportation?

Transportation is offered by the City of Brockton for Brockton students who live 2+ miles away from the school. All students who reside in Taunton or Randolph are transported. Anyone who lives outside of those 3 districts must provide their own transportation.

Is the school free or is there tuition associated?

Yes, all public charter schools in Massachusetts are free, public schools.

How long do students remain waitlisted?

The waitlist will remain active from the day of the lottery all the way through the end of January 2027.

I have at least one student currently enrolled, do I need to submit an application for my other student(s)?

Yes, in order to be considered for a seat, all students must go through an application and lottery process. Please note that we do have a sibling policy that prioritizes siblings of current students in the lottery system.

We don't live in Brockton, Taunton or Randolph. Can I still submit an application? Yes, any student who lives in the state of MA, entering grades 6th through 11th may apply to New Heights Charter School.

Do you have a priority policy for admission in the lottery?

We do have a priority policy which means that students enter the lottery and then they are offered seats in the following order:

1. Siblings of currently enrolled students
2. Students in our region of Brockton and Taunton
3. If seats remain, students who are NOT siblings and who are NOT in our region will be offered a seat
4. All remaining students in order of their lottery position will be placed on a waitlist

My student was on the waitlist for the current school year, will I need to submit an application again? Will my student remain in the same number as the previous year? Yes, you must submit an application for the next school year even if your student was/is on the waitlist for this school year because applications and waitlist DO NOT rollover from one school year to the next. Seat offers and waitlist spots are randomly selected after each application year, so your application will most likely be assigned a new waitlist number, especially because your student will be applying for a different grade.

When will my student be moved from the waitlist to a seat offer?

There is no way of predicting when a seat opens up and a student is moved from the waitlist. A seat may become available within weeks or months after the lottery, sometimes even in late January. On the other hand, if a grade or all grade levels are fully enrolled then the waitlist will remain constant.

I submitted an application for multiple students. If one is offered a seat will all of them be offered a seat as well?

If one of your students is offered a seat, the other applicants will be given a sibling preference once the first student is enrolled at New Heights.

My student was offered a seat last school year, but due to circumstances we declined the offer. Does my student automatically qualify for a seat next school year at New Heights Charter School?

No. You must submit a new application. Seat offers are randomly selected each lottery and based on the number of seats available.

Who qualifies as a sibling?

A sibling is defined as children having a common parent, either biologically or legally through adoption. We verify siblings through birth certificates and legal guardianship documentation.

I have an older child who graduated from New Heights within the last few years, will my younger child be offered preferential sibling status?

An applicant must have a sibling currently enrolled at New Heights in order to receive “sibling” preference.

I have family members such as nieces, nephews, cousins, etc. who are currently enrolled at New Heights. Does this mean my applicant will be offered sibling preference?

No. For the purpose of this policy, “siblings” are defined as children having a common parent, either biologically or legally through adoption. Enrollment will verify siblings through birth certificates and legal documentations.

What are the required registration documents?

If a seat is offered, families must provide the following registration documents: ● Student’s **Original Birth Certificate** (and proof of legal guardianship for non-biological families) ● **Current Physical & Immunizations records** (within the last 12 months) ● **2 Proofs of Residency** from the following list (utility bills, mortgage or rental agreement, current tax forms)

Are there other registration requirements?

Yes, all families who are offered a seat must complete **Registration Forms** (hard copies) which includes release forms, as well as an **Online Registration** within 2 weeks of the seat offer. Online registration links will be emailed to all families within a few days of seat acceptance.

Does New Heights require a specific dress code?

All students grade 6-10 are required to wear uniforms. Uniform policy will be shared with families during the open house, registration process, back-to-school and other events.

Can I drop off the required registration documents at New Heights Charter School at any time, if my student is offered a seat?

Please contact enrollment at enrollment@nhcbs.org or 508-857-5721 ext. 1302 to schedule a registration meeting. A scheduled appointment will ensure that an enrollment staff member will be available to meet with you to complete the registration process.

What if I need assistance with the application process?

We'll be happy to answer any questions. Please feel free to contact us at enrollment@nhcsb.org or 508-857-5721 ext. 1302. We have staff available who speak Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole and Cape Verde Creole to assist you in the application process.