# **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **Application Process Questions**

What is the fastest way to apply? Online! Not only is your application instantly processed, but you can print a copy of your selections for your records.

What do I need to apply online? You will need your child's Broward Schools student number.

The link located on Broward Schools website will not let me apply online? Broward Schools only accepts application during particular times of the year. Check if the application window is currently open. If it is and you are still having any difficulty feel free to call STHS, we may be able to assist.

What if my child does not attend a Broward School? How do I apply? No problem. Reach out to a local school. Inform them that you are interested in applying for a magnet school in Broward. They can create a student number for you. Please note: STHS will not be able to create a student number for you. You will also need to provide the test scores that your child took in the prior school year. In order to be eligible for a magnet program, they will need to be equivalent to a level 3 to the Florida State Assessment test.

**How does the application process work?** In all schools, except the Performing Arts magnet schools, the selection process is done by a random selection of the eligible applicants. Sheridan is based off random selection

**How many school/program selections can I make?** You may only apply to one school per category You are allowed to choose one reassignment school, one magnet school, and one "Nova" school.

**Can I change my selections after I process my application online or submit my paper application?** Yes. If you have submitted your application electronically you are able to go back into your application and change your school choice. If you have sent in a paper application, you will need to call the district office in order to make changes.

**Can I send in a paper application and apply online?** No. Only one application (online or printed) will be accepted.

My child was waitlisted at another magnet school, but would like to attend STHS is there anything I can do? Yes, you can call the district or change your application to Sheridan Technical High School in your School Choice application. Notification of acceptance will not be immediate. How can I be sure that my online application was received? Will I get a confirmation number? You are offered the option to print your selections when you submit an application online.

**Will all my choice schools know I'm applying to other schools?** No. Each school only sees the portion of the application that applies to their school.

I don't reside in the schools boundaries listed, am I still eligible to apply? Yes, everyone is eligible to apply for a Magnet program regardless of where they reside. It is important to note that if you are outside of those boundaries lines you are not eligible for transportation provided by Broward Schools.

How do I know my application is being processed with no problems? If you submit your application online, you can review the status of your application at any time via the School Choice portal. You can always call STHS and confirm your application. Keep in mind that it may take up to 48 hours for your application to appear. If you submitted a paper application the processing time may take longer.

#### New Students to Florida

What if I am in another state currently and will be moving to the area? You are still eligible to apply. You will need to contact Broward Schools district office to create a student ID number. You will also need to provide the test scores that your child took in the prior school year. To be eligible for a magnet program, they will need to be equivalent to a level 3 to the Florida State Assessment test.

#### Changing Magnet School/Program Questions

If my child is no longer interested in the magnet program, can I transfer him to a different magnet program at another school? You can apply to a different magnet program during the magnet application window.

#### **Requirement Questions**

Are there other requirements to apply? At Sheridan Technical High School there is no additional requirements to your application.

#### **Selection Process**

Are there any exceptions to the random selection process? Students must meet magnet school entry academic requirements as listed in Policy 5004.1.

When will I be notified that my child was accepted into the magnet program I applied to? Parents are notified of the results of the random selection process based on the date provided by the district. If you are awarded a seat you will also hear from STHS. If you have any additional questions you can contact STHS.

How will I be notified that my child was chosen in the random selection? You will be contacted by email from both the district and STHS. You can also check your status on school choice at any point in time to check your status.

### **Transportation**

#### Will my child get transportation if selected?

- Students attending STHS are provided district transportation if they live south of Sunrise Boulevard and north of County Line Road.
- If you live outside the transportation zone, you may still attend STHS, however you will not qualify for district transportation or after school drop off on the activity bus. You will have to provide your own transportation.
- Bus passes are distributed 7-10 days before school starts from Broward School District.
- Information determined by Broward County School District

## Trouble Shooting Issues

Who do I contact if I have a problem applying? If your problem is system– related (online application issues), or specifically related to the actual application, you can contact STHS first to see if they can assist.

If there is a change of address during the application process do I have to apply again? No, however any correspondence sent to you will only go to the official residence listed on your child's records for Broward County Public Schools. Any address changes you note on the application cannot be placed into effect from the district office. They can only be made at your child's present school. If you are accepted to STHS please let us know about any changes to your address immediately.