



BUFFALO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
2025 – 2026 Frederick Law Olmsted #156 & City Honors #195 Application
Central Registration Center ▪ 33 Ash Street ▪ Buffalo, NY 14204 (716) 816-3717

PLEASE READ ALL DIRECTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION

This application must be completed for students who want to be considered for admission to Frederick Law Olmsted #156 (grades 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12) and/or City Honors School #195 (grades 5, 6, 7, 8, 9).

- The on-time application window is **Monday, September 23, 2024 – Friday, November 8, 2024**. All applications must be completed and delivered to the above address **no later than 3:30 pm on Friday, November 8, 2024**.
- Parent/caregiver must complete and submit one application for each child taking the entrance examination.
- The admission test will be offered at City Honors School #195, 186 East North Street, Buffalo NY 14204. **(Current BPS students in grades 4, 6, and 8 may take the admissions test at their home school).**
- **All students must be pre-registered for the test as there are limited seats.**
- Students are permitted to complete one test per year according to the admissions testing schedule. The same test is used for admissions eligibility to both Frederick Law Olmsted #156 and City Honors School #195; students who complete the admissions testing will automatically be ranked for both schools.
- Parent/caregiver must update any address and/or telephone changes with Student Placement & Registration.
- School placement is conditional upon the student successfully passing their current grade as evidenced by the report card and/or transcript.
- Sibling, proximity, and neighborhood preference does not apply for Frederick Law Olmsted #156 nor City Honors #195.
- Specialized programs for students with special educational or bilingual language needs may not be available.
- If a student is placed in a waiting pool for a particular school, the student will remain active until **Friday, October 24, 2025**.
- Non-BPS applicants (i.e., students who attend charter, parochial, private schools or are home schooled) must reside in the City of Buffalo and provide the following documents at the time of application submission. All documents will be verified by the Student Placement & Registration Office prior to receiving a testing date.
 - Student's Proof of Birth, i.e., birth certificate, passport, or government-issued ID or document – **DOCUMENT SUBMITTED MUST LINK THE STUDENT TO THE PARENT**
 - Photo Identification of Parent/Caregiver
 - Copies of two (2) **distinct proofs of City of Buffalo residency** (choose 2 different proofs from the list of four (4) below showing your Buffalo address – **substitute proofs will not be accepted**):
 - 1) Parent/caregiver NYS driver license or non-driver license
 - 2) Gas, electric, or cable bill within the last 30 days (only one utility bill can be used)
 - 3) Parent/caregiver pay stub with home address listed within the last 30 days
 - 4) Notice of Decision from the Erie County Department of Social Services – (within the year of date – not expired – example: ECDSS Budget Sheet with the home address)
 - Applicant's Final CUMULATIVE 2023-2024 report
 - Applicant's Final CUMULATIVE 2023-2024 attendance record (may appear on the report card)
 - Current IEP, 504 or English Language Learner (ELL) documents only if applicable

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

If a student lives in Buffalo but attends a school outside the BPS district, you must provide a letter from the student's current District of enrollment verifying the following information: **School District, School Name, Last Name, First Name, Date of Birth, Current Address, Parent/Caregiver, and Dates of Attendance, as well as a printout from the school's Student Information System which list the basic demographic information and address.** If this is not attached, the application will be voided. **All letters will be verified by a Registration representative from the Office of Student Placement & Registration.** Example: your child resides in the City of Buffalo; however, attend a school in the Cheektowaga School District, Williamsville School District or NYC School District.

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App.# _____
 Office Use Only

Applying for Grade: Previous School # (2023-2024):

Previous School Name (2023-2024):

Current School # (2024-2025):

Current School Name (2024-2025):

Student's Last Name:

Student's First Name:

M.I.:

Date of Birth:

Gender:

Student Identification Number (Not Social Security #):

Twin: Y/N

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Is the student Hispanic, Latino or of Spanish Origin? Yes, Hispanic No, not Hispanic

Select One or More Races: American Indian or Native Alaskan Asian Black Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White

Address of Student:

Apartment #:

(House Number and Street Name)

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Last Name of Parent/Caregiver:

First Name of Parent/Caregiver:

Primary Telephone Number:

Alternate Telephone Number:

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Parent/Caregiver Email Address: _____

Mark each category with an (X):

Does the student receive 504/ADA (American Disability Act) services? Yes _____ No _____

Does the student currently receive Special Education services? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, what level of service? _____

Does the student speak or understand a language other than English? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, what other language? _____

Has the student ever received ENL or bilingual services? Yes _____ No _____

Does the student currently (2024-2025 school year) attend Buffalo Prep? Yes _____ No _____

While in grades 7 – 8, did the student participate in a Junior Varsity or Varsity Sport at their previous school? Yes _____ No _____

PARENT/CAREGIVER CONSENT

Your signature indicates that you:

- Certify that your primary residence and your child's primary residence is within the city limits of Buffalo, New York, on the date you sign the application.
- Allow the Buffalo Public School District to access my child's academic and attendance records for the purpose of the admissions process.
- Understand and agree that all assignments carry a one-year commitment.

ENTER 1ST PREFERRED TEST DATE: _____ ENTER 2ND PREFERRED TEST DATE _____

SEE DATES & TIME SCHEDULE (On Next Page)

Signature of Parent/Caregiver: _____ Date: _____

SCHOOLS/PROGRAMS/ELIGIBILITY

SCHOOLS	PROGRAMS OFFERED	ELIGIBLE GRADES & CRITERIA
Frederick Law Olmsted #156 319 Suffolk Street Buffalo, NY 14215 (716) 816-4330 <i>Accountability status: Good Standing</i>	GAT = Gifted & Talented	Grades 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Ability Test (Entrance Examination) • Final CUMULATIVE 2023-2024 Report Card (Core Subjects: ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies) • Final CUMULATIVE 2023-2024 Attendance Record
City Honors School #195 186 East North Street Buffalo, NY 14204 (716) 816-4230 <i>Accountability status: Good Standing</i>	IBA = International Baccalaureate/Acceleration	Grades 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Ability Test (Entrance Examination) • Final CUMULATIVE 2023-2024 Report Card (Core Subjects: ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies) • Final CUMULATIVE 2023-2024 Attendance Record

BPS & NON-BPS SCHEDULED TESTING DATES AND TIMES *

SATURDAY TEST DATES	TIME	ENTERING GRADES IN 2025-2026	TESTING SITE
October 19, 2024	8:00 A.M.	5, 6, 7	City Honors School #195 186 East North Street Buffalo, NY 14204
(Application must be submitted by Friday, October 11, 2024 by 3:30 p.m.)	10:00 A.M.	8, 9, 10, 11, 12	
November 2, 2024	8:00 A.M.	8, 9, 10	
(Application must be submitted by Friday, October 25, 2024 by 3:30 p.m.)	10:00 A.M.	5, 6, 7	
November 23, 2024	8:00 A.M.	5, 6, 7	
(Application must be submitted by Friday, November 8, 2024 by 3:30 p.m.)	10:00 A.M.	8, 9, 10, 11, 12	

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