

Dear Eighth Graders and Parents,

For eighth graders, high school selection is a pressing decision. We encourage you to explore the various options available so you are able to make an informed decision. Attend the Red Clay Choice Open House Programs listed below. Use the contact notes provided to request additional information. Pay close attention to the application deadlines. In the spring, we will help those of you attending Red Clay high schools select your courses for your ninth grade year. **REMEMBER: The BEST way to prepare for high school is to do your BEST in middle school.**

Gloria Boots Guidance Counselor

If you live within the Red Clay Consolidated School District, you will be assigned to a particular high school, your “feeder school,” according to your home address. If you are uncertain in which feeder pattern you live, **check with the school office**. If you wish to attend your feeder school, no action is required. If you wish to choose a school *other than* your regularly assigned school, you **must submit** a Choice Application. See the “School Choice” section on the reverse side of this flyer for further instructions. The Red Clay high schools are:

	<i>Choice Open</i>
<i>House</i> <i>John Dickinson High School</i> 1801 Milltown Road, Wilmington, DE 19808 Phone: (302) 992-5500 http://www.k12.de.us/dickinson/	11/10 6:30
<i>Alexis I. duPont High School</i> <i>50 Hillside Road, Wilmington, DE 19807</i> <i>Phone: (302) 651-2626</i> http://www.k12.de.us/aiduponths/	11/3 6:30
<i>Thomas McKean High School</i> 301 McKennan’s Church Road, Wilmington, DE 19808 Phone: (302) 992-5520 http://www.k12.de.us/mckean/	11/5 6:30
<i>Cab Calloway School of the Arts</i> Enrollment in CCSA requires an application and a skills assessment. 100 N. duPont Road, Wilmington, DE 19807 Phone: (302) 651-2700 http://www.cabcallowayschoolofthearts.com/	11/13 6:30
<i>The Henry C. Conrad Schools of Science</i> Enrollment in this full-service middle and high school requires a CHOICE application. 201 Jackson Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19804 Phone: (302) 992-5545	11/6 6:30

Wednesday, 10/29 District Wide Choice Informational Meeting at Warner Elementary

Thursday, 10/30
School

District Wide Choice Informational Meeting at Dickinson High School

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New Castle County students who wish to attend a public school other than their assigned feeder school, **must submit** a Choice Application. Applications are accepted between November and the beginning of January, prior to the year for which you are applying. Enrollment applications may be obtained from the office of any Red Clay school or the Office of School Choice at the Linden Park Building, 4550 New Linden Hill Road, or by contacting the district Choice Office at (302) 552-3789.

Visit: <http://www.redclay.k12.de.us/> Check in the Choice Program section for more information.

ALTERNATIVE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPTIONS

The Charter School of Wilmington

This school has a math/science curriculum focus. Enrollment requires an application and a placement test.

(302) 651-2727

Open House: Sunday, 11/23

1-3:30

<http://www.charterschool.org/>

Delaware Military Academy

This school emphasizes citizenship, leadership, and self-discipline. Enrollment requires an interview and an essay.

(302) 998-0745

Open House: Saturday, 10/4 9-12

<http://www.demilacad.org>

New Castle County Vocational Technical Schools

These four schools combine academics with career training, and require an application and an essay.

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Open House: Sunday, 11/16

***12-3**

*check with school for specific times

1-800-800-7438

(302) 995-8000

<http://www.nccvotech.com/>

Application in Guidance office

PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOLS

There are a number of private and parochial schools in the area that may be of interest to some students. Information and applications for these schools must be obtained by contacting them **directly**. Your school counselor does not have information about private schools. Please allow enough time for recommendations to be mailed directly to the school. Recommendations will not be returned to the student.

