

Fall 2024 Kindergarten Admissions Post Application Survey Results

Respondents: 1,284

The below tables display the demographics of survey respondents compared to kindergarten applicants by language spoken and borough. Percentages are rounded up.

Language	Percent of Survey Respondents	Preferred Home Language of K Applicants
Arabic	<1%	<1%
Bengali	1%	1%
Chinese	11%	6%
English	60%	75%
French	<1%	<1%
Haitian Creole	<1%	<1%
Korean	<1%	<1%
Russian	3%	2%
Spanish	24%	16%
Urdu	0	<1%

Borough	Percent of Survey Respondents	Borough of Residence of K Applicants
Bronx	15%	18%
Brooklyn	25%	30%
Manhattan	12%	13%
Queens	35%	31%
Staten Island	6%	7%

Survey Questions & Results

Q1 - What is your relationship to the student? (1,284 total responses).

	Percentages
Parent/Guardian	99%
Other	1%

Q2 - If you attended a virtual Elementary School information session through NYC Public Schools, did you find it to be helpful? (1,284 total responses).

	Percentage
Yes	35%
Somewhat	8%
No	8%
I did not attend a virtual Elementary School information session	47%

Q3 - How satisfied were you with the quality of resources in your preferred language that NYC Public Schools provided to support you in understanding the application process? (477 total responses).

	Percentage
Very Satisfied	49%
Satisfied	44%
Neither satisfied nor unsatisfied	4%
Unsatisfied	2%
Very unsatisfied	0.4%

Q4- Did you apply to other types of schools other than NYC Public Schools (for example, charter or private)? If so, what types of schools did you apply to? (Check all that apply). (1,140 total responses).

	Percentage
No, I only applied to NYC Public Schools	80%
Yes, I applied to charter schools	14%
Yes, I applied to private/independent schools (non-religious)	4%
Yes, I applied to parochial/religious private schools	3%
Other (Free Response)	3%

Q4a - Can you share why you also applied to these schools? (Check all that apply) (227 total responses. Only included for respondents who selected 'yes' to Question 4).

	Percentage
School quality	60%
Backup option if my child does not get an offer to a top choice from NYC Public	43%
School location	46%
Safety concerns	27%
My child is currently attending the school for pre-K	18%

Q5 - Many schools require you to bring registration documents in-person. Would you prefer to register virtually or in-person? (1,135 total responses).

	Percentage
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I prefer to submit virtually	34%
I prefer to submit in-person	24%
I am comfortable with either option	42%

Q6 - Did you know that on the MySchools Directory you could see the number of seats at each program and if they filled up last year? (1,132 total responses).

	Percentage
Yes	43%
No	57%

Q6a - Did you find this information useful when selecting schools to include on your student's application? (Only included for respondents who selected 'yes' to Question 6. 479 total responses).

	Percentage
Yes	94%
No	4%
Other (free response)	2%

Q7 - Did you know that on the MySchools Directory you could see which admissions priority groups received offers at each program last year? (1,078 total responses).

	Percentage
Yes	42%
No	58%

Q7a - Did you find this information useful when selecting schools to include on your student's application? (Only included for respondents who selected 'yes' to Question 7. 450 total responses).

	Percentage
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Yes	95%
No	3%
Other (free response)	2%

Q8 - Do you wish you knew more about a school's philosophy or curriculum from their directory page in MySchools? (1,107 total responses).

	Percentage
Yes	72%
Somewhat	16%
Unsure	6%
No	6%

Q9 - The School Quality Snapshot provides families with a summary of school conditions and performance results at each school. Did you know that you could access this report in the MySchools Directory? (1,093 total responses).

	Percentage
Yes	56%
No	44%

Q9b: How helpful was this tool to you? (Only included for respondents who selected 'yes' to Question 9. 614 total responses).

	Percentage
Very helpful	49%

Helpful	38%
Moderately	10%
Unhelpful	1%
Very Unhelpful	1%

Q10 - Some schools offer more than one kindergarten program (ex: Dual Language, Gifted & Talented).
Is it clear on the MySchools Directory if a school offers more than one program? (1,065 total responses).

	Percentage
Yes	84%
No	16%

Q11 - Did you know that random numbers are used in the admissions process? (1,076 total responses).

	Percentage
Yes	40%
No	60%