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This Family Update provides important information about Summer Rising 2025, the annual NYC School Survey, CEC Elections Candidate Forums, and parent-teacher conferences.

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Apply Now for Summer Rising

The Summer Rising 2025 application is now open until Friday, March 28, 2025! Offered in partnership with the Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD), Summer Rising is free and open to any NYC student currently in kindergarten through grade 8. The program begins for all participants on July 2, and runs Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Programming for students in grades K-5 ends August 15, and programming for students in grades 6-8 ends August 8.

Students will be provided with free breakfast and lunch. Programming includes academic instruction led by NYCPS staff and enrichment activities led by Community Based Organizations (CBOs).

To apply, log in to your existing MySchools.nyc account, or create one using your email address, your child's 9digit student ID number, and a MySchools account creation code, which you can get by contacting your child's school. Families can list as many programs as they like on their application and may make changes at any time up to the March 28 deadline.

If you have any questions or need help with the application, please visit schools.nyc.gov/SummerRising, contact your school, or email summer@schools.nyc.gov.

Students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) and 504 Plans

Students attending 12-month/Extended School Year (ESY) special class, Nest, or Horizon Programs will receive the program and services recommended on their IEP at an Extended School year (ESY), District 75 (D75), Nest, or Horizon Summer Program site. Families who wish to participate in IEP program and extended-day CBO-led enrichment through Summer Rising should use the MySchools application portal.

If your child will only be participating in Nest/ Horizon programming (until 12:00 p.m.), D75 (until 2:30 p.m.), or ESY programming (until 2:00 p.m.), you should contact your child's school instead of using the MySchools application.

2025 NYC School Survey

Don't forget to complete the 2025 NYC School Survey by Friday, April 4! Your confidential feedback helps our schools better understand what their students and community members need and think about their learning environments, educators, curricula, support services, and more. School leaders use this feedback to improve their schools and program offerings.

To view and complete the survey, log into your official New York City Schools Account (NYCSA) at schoolsaccount.nyc. You will also receive a printed copy of the survey with instructions on how to complete the survey on paper or online. You can also learn more about or take the 2025 NYC School Survey at NYCSchoolSurvey.org.

Community and Citywide Education Council Elections 2025

Meet the candidates for the 2025 Community and Citywide Education Council (CCEC) Elections! Starting Monday, March 3, attend your district's virtual Candidate Forum to learn about the candidates running for your local Community Education Council or one of the City's four Citywide Education Councils. Learn more about CCECs at schools.nyc.gov/CCEC. Visit schools.nyc.gov/Elections2025 for dates, times, and to register to join the forums on Zoom.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Get ready for parent-teacher conferences (PTCs) in March! PTCs are a great opportunity to speak directly with teachers about your child's academic and social-emotional development and how you can support their growth outside the classroom. Conferences will be conducted remotely during the 2024–25 school year and can be held in-person upon request. Translation and interpretation services are also available—please let your child's school know if you need services.

- Thursday, March 6: Afternoon and Evening conferences for elementary schools and Pre-K Centers
- Thursday, March 13: Afternoon and evening conferences for middle schools and D-75 schools
- Thursday, March 20: Evening PTCs for high school students, K-12, and 6-12 schools
- Friday, March 21: Afternoon PTCs for high schools, K-12, and 6-12 schools

For more PTC guidance, please visit schools.nyc.gov/ptc.