Who we are:
• Kent Prep is a private prep school in the N.Y. metro area.
• We offer the best curriculum, from PSAT, SSAT, SAT, SHSAT, Hunter, and G&T.

Credentials:
• Kent Prep is a school acknowledged by the Secondary School Admission Test Board, Inc. (SSAT)
Objectives

Preparing for High School

Options:
Specialized High Schools
Public High Schools
Private High Schools
Boarding Schools
Specialty & Other High Schools

Selecting the “right” school
Preparing for High School

Knowledge and anticipation are important.

7th grade performance is critical:
- NY Standardized Exams & School G.P.A.

Assess the student

Discover the student’s hobbies & personal interests
Preparations in Late Spring

- High schools examine the applicants’ cumulative G.P.A.
- Work harder & study for SAT and/or SHSAT
- Be confident and assertive
Summer 2015

- Prepare for the SHSAT
- Visit the schools of your choice
- If applying to private/boarding school, prepare for interviews
Beginning Early Fall

- Obtain SHSAT Admission Ticket
- Obtain Public School Application Forms
- Register for SSAT (Private/Boarding)
- Schedule Interviews (Private/Boarding)
- Visit prospective high schools
High School Options

- Specialized High Schools
- Public High Schools
- Specialty & Technical High Schools
- Private High Schools
- Boarding Schools
Specialized High Schools

- Criteria for admissions
- Registration Process
- Test Format
NY Specialized High Schools

- Stuyvesant High School
- Bronx High School of Science
- Brooklyn Technical High School
NY Specialized High Schools (Cont.)

- Brooklyn Latin School
- High School for Math, Science, and Engineering at City College
- High School of American Studies at Lehman College
NY Specialized High Schools (Cont.)

Queens High School for the Sciences at York College

Staten Island Technical High School

Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts
La Guardia High School

- During September 15, 2015 – October 11, 2015, you need to meet with your school guidance counselor to notify your plans to take the SHSAT and/or audition for La Guardia High School.

- Admission is based on competitive audition and review of the student’s record to ensure success in the challenging academic programs.
La Guardia High School (Cont.)

- All applicants must submit a copy of their previous academic year’s report card and/or transcript (June 2014) at the time of the audition.

- (If auditioning for more than one audition, you must bring multiple copies of your academic year’s report card and/or transcripts for the previous year.)
For September 2014 admission, 970 students received one or more offers to the programs at LaGuardia High School from a pool of 14,943 applicants. Only about 6.5% were accepted to La Guardia High School.
Stuyvesant High School

- Cut-off Score (2014): 559
- Student Body: ~3,200
- Location: New York, NY
- Specialties: Mathematics, Science

- Extracurricular:
  - Math Team
  - Speech & Debate Team
For September 2014 admission, 23,408 students listed Stuyvesant High School as a choice on their application and 952 offers were made.

Only about 3.4% were accepted to Stuyvesant High School.
Bronx High School of Science

- Cut-off Score (2014): 517
- Student Body: ~3,000
- Location: Bronx, NY
- Specialties: Science, Mathematics

- Extracurricular:
  - Speech & Debate Team
  - Math Team
  - Model UN
For September 2014 admission, 19,635 students listed Bronx Science as a choice on their application and 968 offers were made.

Only about 4.9% were accepted to Bronx Science.
Brooklyn Technical High School

- Cut-off Score (2014): 486
  Student Body: ~5,000
  Location: Brooklyn, NY
  Specialties: Engineering, Science

- Extracurricular:
  - Speech & Debate Team
  - Model UN
For September 2014 admission, 23,371 students listed Brooklyn Tech as a choice on their application and 1,845 offers were made.

Only about 7.9% were admitted to Brooklyn Technical High School.
The Brooklyn Latin School

- Cut-off Score (2014): 480
- Student Body: ~281
- Location: Brooklyn, NY
- Specialties: Latin, Liberal Arts

- Extracurricular:
  - Law Club
  - Medical Club
  - Global Awareness
For September 2014 admission, 16,675 students listed The Brooklyn Latin School as a choice on their application and 484 offers were made.

Only 2.9% were admitted to The Brooklyn Latin School.
High School for Math, Science, and Engineering at City College

- Cut-off Score (2014): 512
- Student Body: ~450
- Location: New York, NY
- Specialties: Mathematics, Science, Engineering

- Extracurricular:
  - Math Team
For September 2014 admission, 19,067 students listed High School for Mathematics, Science and Engineering at the City College of New York as a choice on their application and 188 offers were made.

Only about 1% were admitted to High School for Mathematics, Science and Engineering at the City College.
High School of American Studies at Lehman College

- Cut-off Score (2014): 506
- Student Body: ~352
- Location: Bronx, NY
- Specialties: American History; Humanities

- Extracurricular:
  - Model UN
  - Mock Trial
For September 2014 admission, 16,706 students listed High School of American Studies at Lehman College as a choice on their application and 165 offers were made.

Only about 1% were admitted to the High School of American Studies at Lehman College.
Queens High School for the Sciences at York College

- Cut-off Score (2014): **500**
- Student Body: ~415
- Location: Jamaica, NY
- Specialties: Science, Mathematics

- Extracurricular:
  - Model UN
  - Intel Science Talent Search
  - Student Government
Queens HS for the Sciences at York College (Cont.)

- For September 2014 admission, 16,859 students listed Queens High School for the Sciences at York College as a choice on their application and 151 offers were made.

- Only 0.9% were accepted to Queens High School for the Sciences at York College
Staten Island Technical High School

- Cut-off Score (2014): **506**
  - Student Body: ~1020
  - Location: Staten Island, NY
  - Specialties: Engineering, Science, & Mathematics

- Extracurricular
  - Math Team, Key Club
For September 2014 admission, 15,196 students listed Staten Island Technical High School as a choice on their application and 344 offers were made. Only about 2.3% were accepted to Staten Island Technical High School.
Private Schools in NY

- **All-female**
  1. Brearley School
  2. Spence School
  3. Chapin School
  4. Nightingale-Bamford
  5. Marymount

- **All-male**
  1. Collegiate School
  2. Buckley
  3. Allen Stevenson
  4. St. Bernard’s
  5. Regis High School
Private Schools in NY

- **Co-ed**
  1. Trinity School
  2. Horace Mann School
  3. Dalton School
  4. Packer Collegiate Institute
  5. Saint Ann’s School

- **Co-ed**
  6. Riverdale Country School
  7. Ethical Culture/Fieldston
  8. City and Country
  9. Poly Prep
  10. Mandell school
Boarding Schools

- Phillips Academy Andover
- Phillips Exeter Academy
- Lawrenceville School
- Groton Academy
- Middlesex School
Boarding Schools (Cont.)

- St. Paul’s School
- Milton Academy
- The Hotchkiss School
- Choate Rosemary Hall
- Deerfield Academy
Selecting the “Right” School

Aim high!

Keep your options open.

Set your standards.

High school performance is important, but acceptance to a good college is even more important.
What Happens After Admissions?

- College application process starts here:
  - Start strong!
  - Challenge and prepare yourself physically and mentally.

- Get involved in extracurricular activities:
  - Drama, Dance, Music, Art
  - Sports, Basketball, Baseball, Soccer, etc.

- Get involved with your community:
  - Volunteer at your local library, shelter or church
  - Volunteer at your community center or other organizations
Helpful Resources

- www.schools.nyc.gov
- www.insideschools.org
- www.kentprep.com
- www.fafsa.gov
- www.collegeboard.com
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New York Jesuit Schools

- Fordham Preparatory School
- Loyola High School
- McQuaid School
- Regis High School
- Xavier High School
- Chaminade High School
- Archbishop Molloy
- St. Francis Preparatory School
New York Jesuit Schools (Cont.)

- All Boys School:
  - Fordham Prep School (TACHS, ISEE, COOP, SSAT or HSPT)
  - McQuaid Jesuit School (Entrance Exam)
  - Regis High School (H.S. Placement Test HSPT)
  - Xavier High School (TACHS)
  - Chaminade High School (COOP)
New York Jesuit Schools (Cont.)

- Co-ed Schools:
  - Loyola High School
  - Archbishop Molloy
  - St. Francis Prep School
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