2021-22
FAR SOUTHEAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ENROLLMENT ZONE
Greetings, Denver Public Schools family! DPS believes all families should have equitable access to schools they feel are best for their students, regardless of where they live in Denver. As a resident of the Far Southeast Elementary School Enrollment Zone, your child is guaranteed a place at one of the following schools for the 2021-22 school year:

› **HOLM** *(ECE* to 5)*

› **JOE SHOEMAKER** *(ECE* to 5)*

› **SAMUELS** *(ECE* to 5)*

*ECE offered but not guaranteed

Even though you reside in this enrollment zone and have guaranteed access to one of these three schools, you may apply to any school in the district when completing the SchoolChoice application.

There are many factors to consider as you research school options, including academic programs, extracurricular activities, transportation and school culture. Regardless of the path you choose, DPS is committed to serving as your partner in this important journey.

Look inside for overviews of all the schools in the Far Southeast Elementary School Enrollment Zone, as well as other information to help you make your decision for next year.

To apply to your preferred schools during Round 1 of SchoolChoice, your completed SchoolChoice application must be submitted between 8 a.m. Jan. 15 and 4 p.m. Feb. 16, 2021. Notification of your student’s 2021-22 school year assignment and/or waitlist information will be sent in late March 2021.

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**CHANGES TO THE SCHOOL PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK**

In previous years, school profiles in this enrollment zone packet included information on school performance. You will notice that information is not included this year.

The DPS Board of Education on Aug. 20, 2020 voted to stop using the DPS School Performance Framework (SPF) and instructed the district to use the Colorado Department of Education’s SPF, along with a DPS-specific informational dashboard. DPS educators and leaders are working now to develop the informational dashboard, and more information will be shared as it becomes available.

Due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on students and schools, the Colorado Department of Education will not issue SPF ratings for the 2019-20 school year. Please visit [www.cde.state.co.us/accountability/performanceframeworks](http://www.cde.state.co.us/accountability/performanceframeworks) to view state SPF ratings from previous years.
What are my student’s options for the 2021-22 school year?

Students living within the Far Southeast Elementary School Enrollment Zone (who have not “choiced” out of this enrollment zone) are guaranteed a spot at one of the following schools: Holm; Joe Shoemaker; and Samuels.

If you reside in the Far Southeast Elementary School Enrollment Zone, you should complete and submit your student’s SchoolChoice application anytime between 8 a.m. Jan. 15 and 4 p.m. Feb. 16, 2021. You will be asked to rank your top school preferences within the Far Southeast Elementary School Enrollment Zone and/or any DPS school, including those in other regions. We recommend listing multiple preferences, up to a limit of 12. Based on the school preferences you indicate, your student will be awarded a seat at his or her highest-preference school with available space.

How do I submit the SchoolChoice application?

The application will be available at schoolchoice.dpsk12.org. We recommend using your Parent Portal username and password to log in. You can submit your application anytime between 8 a.m. Jan. 15 and 4 p.m. Feb. 16, 2021. There is no advantage to submitting your application earlier in the window.

When will I be notified of my student’s school enrollment for the 2021-22 school year?

Notification of your school assignment and/or waitlist information for the 2021-22 school year will be sent in late March 2021.

What if my student does not get his or her first-preference school?

If your student is assigned to a school other than your first-choice school, their name will be placed on a waitlist for that school, as well as any others ranked higher than the assigned school. When and if space becomes available, the school will contact you to see if you would like to accept a seat in their program. Please note: waitlists are dynamic, meaning your waitlist positions can move up or down based on the actions and priorities of all other applicants.

What if I do not submit a SchoolChoice application for my student?

Any student who does not submit an application by the Feb. 16 deadline will remain unassigned and will have an opportunity to participate in Round 2, which opens in early April, following the release of Round 1 results.
Transportation Services’ mission is to provide safe, efficient and effective service that is valued and useful to our students and families. We strive to provide greater access to education for our students and foster an environment where Every Child Succeeds. Safety is our No. 1 priority. Our service offerings reflect DPS’ priorities, and are designed to meet the needs of our unique school models and programs in an equitable manner.

Transportation will be provided in accordance to District Policy EEAA. Students who reside and attend school in the Far Southeast Enrollment Zone, and live more than 1 mile from their school, will receive transportation through the Southeast Enrollment Zone to the following schools:

- Holm Elementary
- Joe Shoemaker School
- Samuels Elementary

Nearly all families in the Enrollment Zone are within 1 mile of pickup locations. The complete transportation system, including pick-up and drop-off times and locations, is designed based on the following considerations:

- Supporting families in attending their school of choice
- School bell times
- Special education students’ pick-up and drop-off needs
- Traffic patterns and travel time
- Consistency with districtwide transportation policies

Bus stop information will be available to families through the Parent Portal and the school office beginning in late summer. Details will also be sent to families in the transportation yearly mailer that is sent to families in late July/early August. Families should ensure they have updated contact information on file with their school’s front office as well as in Infinite Campus.
We are a caring community where children are valued. Our curriculum provides three hours of literacy instruction, including daily reading of high-quality literature, small-group and individual instruction, and specific skills development. Instruction is provided in both English and Spanish at all grade levels. There also is a strong technology focus at Holm.

**PROGRAMS:**
- ECE-4 English and Spanish
- Kindergarten English and Spanish
- Music
- PE
- Technology
- Visual Arts
- Multi-Intensive Severe Center-Based Program

**SCHOOL OFFERINGS:**
- Southeast Enrollment Zone
- Lunch served daily
- Afterschool Programming
- No Uniform Required
- Breakfast served daily
- English as a Second Language, Transitional Native Language Instruction

**WEBSITE:** holm.dpsk12.org

**GRADES SERVED:** ECE to 5

**ESTIMATED ENROLLMENT:** 485
Joe Shoemaker School students experience a true Colorado education that embraces our urban and natural settings. Our model integrates a strong school community, Expeditionary Learning and environmental education. At Shoemaker, students have a strong sense of belonging and they care about their work because it is meaningful to them. As a result, no goal is too mighty and students go far beyond what they first imagined they could achieve.

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JOE SHOEMAKER
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GRADES SERVED: ECE to 5
ESTIMATED ENROLLMENT: 490

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PROGRAMS:
ECE-4 English and Spanish • Kindergarten English and Spanish • Expeditionary Learning • Fine Arts • PE • STEM • Arts or Music Club • Multi-Intensive Autistic Center-Based Program

SCHOOL OFFERINGS:
Southeast Enrollment Zone
Lunch served daily
Before-School Programming
No Uniform Required
Afterschool Programming
Transitional Native Language Instruction
Breakfast served daily
SAMUELS

WEBSITE: samuels.dpsk12.org

GRADES SERVED: ECE to 5

ESTIMATED ENROLLMENT: 500

Samuels inspires each child to pursue limitless opportunities that will launch him, her, or them to make a once unimaginable impact on our world. In order to further prepare students for the future, we partnered with Campos EPC to create our STEM Lab. We are focused on the wellbeing of every student, and social-emotional learning is a priority! Your child can take a deep breath in our classrooms’ Mindfulness Corner or our school’s Wellness Center. Your child can also access support from full-time school psychologist, our school-based therapist, or our Wellness Coordinator. Kids also thrive in our expansive outdoor learning spaces which include our Community Garden and Learning Landscape.

PROGRAMS:
- ECE-4 English and Spanish
- Kindergarten English and Spanish
- Music
- PE
- Technology
- STEM
- Academic Club or Competition
- Arts or Music Club
- Community Service
- Yearbook or Newspaper
- Social Clubs
- Student Leadership

SCHOOL OFFERINGS:
- Southeast Enrollment Zone
- Lunch served daily
- Afterschool Programming
- No Uniform Required
- Breakfast served daily
- English as a Second Language, Transitional Native Language Instruction