



# 2021-22 LAKE-AREA MIDDLE SCHOOL

ENROLLMENT ZONE



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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 Lake-Area Middle School Enrollment Zone, your child is guaranteed a place at one of the following schools for the 2021-22 school year:

- > LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL (6 to 8)
- > STRIVE PREP – LAKE (6 to 8)

If you have any questions during the SchoolChoice process, please contact Enrollment Services:

### **SOUTHWEST ENROLLMENT CENTER**

1300 S. Lowell Blvd., Door 10  
Denver, CO 80219

**PHONE:** 720-423-3493

**WEB:** [schoolchoice.dpsk12.org](http://schoolchoice.dpsk12.org)

**EMAIL:** [schoolchoice@dpsk12.org](mailto:schoolchoice@dpsk12.org)

Even though you reside in this enrollment zone and have guaranteed access to one of these two 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 Lake-Area Middle 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.



### **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.



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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### **What are my student's options for the 2021-22 school year?**

Students living within the Lake-Area Middle School Enrollment Zone (who have not "choiced" out of this enrollment zone) are guaranteed a spot at one of the following schools: Lake Middle School and STRIVE Prep – Lake.

If you reside in the Lake-Area Middle 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 Lake-Area Middle 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](https://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.

#### **WE ARE HERE TO HELP!**



If you have any questions about SchoolChoice, please call the SchoolChoice Hotline at 720-423-3493, email [schoolchoice@dpsk12.org](mailto:schoolchoice@dpsk12.org), or visit [schoolchoice.dpsk12.org](https://schoolchoice.dpsk12.org).



# TRANSPORTATION

**WEB:** [transportation.dpsk12.org](http://transportation.dpsk12.org)

**PHONE:** 720-423-4600

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.

Students who live more than 2.5 miles from their boundary school are eligible to receive transportation via Standard Bus Routes. If a student chooses out of their boundary school, they are no longer eligible for transportation.

Transportation is not guaranteed, so always consult our department for student eligibility if you are not sure.

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.

## Transportation.dpsk12.org

The Transportation Services website is the go-to source for the most up-to-date information. Families and students can find information on services offered by school, routing information, Bus Bulletin, +Pass, who to contact and more.

### BUS BULLETIN

Bus Bulletin is our web-based notification program for families of transportation eligible students.

### +PASS

The +Pass is a card that the student scans when entering or exiting the school bus.

### EXCEPTION REQUEST PROCESS

Students that are not eligible for transportation may apply for a transportation exception by completing the online form through the Parent Portal.

**PRINCIPAL:**  
Amanda McDonald

720-424-0260  
1820 Lowell Blvd.



## LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

**WEBSITE:** lake.dpsk12.org

**GRADES SERVED:** 6 to 8

**ESTIMATED ENROLLMENT:** 450

Lake Middle School is a vibrant learning community for all children. At Lake, we believe that the middle school years are critical to future academic and personal success, and we are passionate about providing students with the opportunities, skills and support they need to thrive both academically and socially. Our dedicated faculty and staff, rigorous academics, robust electives offerings, inclusive athletics, and focus on social-emotional growth ensure students feel empowered, safe, accepted and respected in our building. Our values of Honor, Hard Work, Generosity and Humility are at the heart of our school community.

### PROGRAMS:

Academic Club or Competition • Arts or Music Club • PE • Spanish • Technology • Visual Arts • Choir • Music • Drama • STEM • Band • Career and Technical Education • Career Development • Yearbook or Newspaper • Social Clubs • Student Leadership • Multi-Intensive Autistic, Multi-Intensive Center-Based Programs • Denver Health School-Based Health Center

### SCHOOL OFFERINGS:



Standard Bus Routes



Lunch served daily



Afterschool Programming



No uniform required



Breakfast served daily



English as a Second Language

**PRINCIPAL:**  
Tim Hall

303-551-7200  
1820 Lowell Blvd.

Charter School



## STRIVE PREP – LAKE

**WEBSITE:** [striveprep.org/lake](http://striveprep.org/lake)

**GRADES SERVED:** 6 to 8

**ESTIMATED ENROLLMENT:** 250

STRIVE Prep is where every student is learning to change the world. We inspire our students to think critically, communicate clearly and collaborate openly. By balancing ambitious learning with celebration and joy, we fuel a sense of curiosity, creativity and possibility in every child. At STRIVE Prep, your child can explore opportunities to develop the confidence and lifelong skills necessary for success in college and beyond.

### PROGRAMS:

Community Resources • PE • Visual Arts • Yearbook or Newspaper • Social Clubs • Student Leadership • Club Based on Ethnicity or Culture • Affective Needs Center-Based Program • Denver Health School-Based Health Center

### SCHOOL OFFERINGS:



Standard Bus Routes



Uniform: School polo, tee or sweater (no hoodies)



Breakfast served daily



English as a Second Language



Lunch served daily

# LAKE-AREA ZONE MAP

