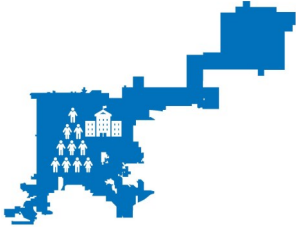


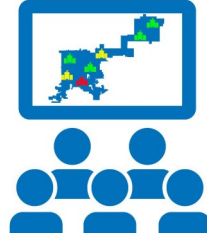
How Do We Approve New Schools?



How do new schools come to Denver? This process, called The Call for New Quality Schools, is how we request, review and approve new schools to serve our students. These schools may be district-run schools or charter schools and the process is open to anyone who wants to submit an application.



First, we look at how many new students are in our city. Some areas are growing as new families with children move to that neighborhood.



Then, we look at how our schools are performing. If some schools have not been performing well, we may look for a new school to better serve those students.



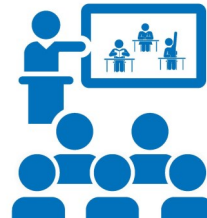
We then ask our school community to submit applications for schools that will serve the needs we have identified.



Each applicant must involve the community and gather support for their program idea.



Each application is reviewed by DPS staff and a special review team. The applications are judged based on specific criteria such as its budget, support for students with special needs.



Each applicant presents their school idea to the community and listens to questions and concerns about the program.



Each applicant also presents to the Board of Education. This is the final step and the Board decides if the new school will be approved.



Once the school is approved, there are many more steps such as finding a facility, naming the building, and hiring staff.

What New Schools May Be Serving Our Community?

Denver Dual Language Academy *District-Run, PreK-8 School*

Targeted region: Near Northeast, placement requested at Manual Middle School

Proposed Leader: Helen Butts

Requested opening date: 2016-17

Focus: Dual Language STEAM

Mission Statement: DDLA will stress culturally responsive approaches throughout its practices and policies; employ project-based instruction and personalized learning approaches for a career- or college-bound student body; and use nimble assessment techniques to ensure every student's success.

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McAuliffe International School II *District-Run, Middle School*

Targeted region: Near Northeast, co-location requested at Manal High School

Proposed leader: Not identified

Requested opening date: 2016-17

Focus: International Baccalaureate

Mission Statement: McAuliffe International Schools develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people through the collaborative efforts of students, teachers, parents and community. McAuliffe International School II will be a rigorous, high-performing middle school in Near Northeast Denver that prepares students from different backgrounds for success in high school, college and life.

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Denver School of History, Speech & Debate *District-Run, Middle School*

Targeted region: Near Northeast, co-location requested at Morey* Middle School

Proposed leader: Not identified

Requested opening date: 2016-17

Focus: History, Speech & Debate, STEAM

Mission Statement: Our mission is for students to optimize their gifts and unleash their talents." Our students are 4 "Pathfinders." As our Pathfinders become engaged in their History Day projects, Speech and Debate topics, and explore science and math through the eyes of STEAM, they will find themselves immersed in doing more than they ever thought possible.

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**Program placement at Morey not requested in the Call for New Quality Schools.*

