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## *What I need to know about the Application Process at Uplift*

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### **THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS AT UPLIFT**

#### **What happens once the application becomes available?**

- Applications, for the 2020-2021 school year, for ALL Uplift Schools will become available on Friday, November 1, 2019.
- All Uplift Schools ONLY accept an online application and is available in English and Spanish.
- There is NO fee to apply to an Uplift School.
- The application has the option to enter up to three Uplift school choices.
- The application must be submitted before the application deadline of Saturday, February 1, 2020 to be included in the lottery but does not guarantee a spot at the school.

<b>UPLIFT SCHOOLS for the 2020-2021 School Year</b>			
Campus Name	Location	Grades Available for 2020-21	Email
<b>Uplift Ascend</b>	SE Fort Worth	PreK - 4, 6 - 8	Ascendadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Elevate</b>	West Fort Worth	K - 3, 6 - 8	Elevateadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Gradus</b>	DeSoto	PreK - 5	Gradusadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Grand</b>	Grand Prairie	PreK - 12	Grandadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Hampton</b>	South Dallas	K - 12	Hamptonadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Heights Primary</b>	West Dallas	PreK - 5	HeightsPadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Heights Secondary</b>	West Dallas	6 - 12	HeightsSadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Infinity</b>	South Irving	PreK - 12	Infinityadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Luna Primary</b>	Downtown Dallas	PreK - 5	LunaPadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Luna Secondary</b>	Downtown Dallas	6 - 12	LunaSadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Meridian</b>	Fort Worth	PreK - 5	Meridianadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Mighty</b>	Fort Worth	PreK - 12	Mightyadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift North Hills</b>	North Irving	K - 12	NHAdmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Peak</b>	East Dallas	PreK - 12	Peakadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Pinnacle</b>	Oak Cliff	K - 5	PinnaclePadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Summit International</b>	Arlington	K - 12	Summitadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Triumph</b>	Bachman Lake Area	PreK - 5	Triumphadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift White Rock Hills</b>	Far East Dallas	PreK - 5	WRHAdmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Williams</b>	Love Field Area	K - 12	Williamsadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Wisdom</b>	South Dallas	PreK - 3, 6 - 10	Wisdomadmissions@uplifteducation.org

**Begin Accepting Applications for 2020-2021:** November 1, 2019

**Lottery Deadline for 2020-2021:** February 1, 2020



- Due to limited spots at each school and in each grade, a lottery must be held to determine who is admitted. See ‘What is the Lottery?’ below for more details.
- All schools accept applications after the application deadline of February 1<sup>st</sup>; however, the application will immediately be placed on the waitlist in the order received.
- You will receive an email confirmation once the application is submitted.
- An application submitted for a school year DOES NOT roll over to the next school year. You must apply each school year.
- Only ONE application will be accepted per student, per school year.

### What are the admission requirements for an Uplift School?

- There are NO academic admission requirements to attend an Uplift school.
- You must live with-in the geographic boundaries of the school in order to apply and attend an Uplift School.
- Geographic boundaries are established in Uplift’s Charter and are listed below. Please review the list below to determine if your child is eligible to attend an Uplift School.

<b>GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES FOR ALL UPLIFT SCHOOLS for the 2020-2021 Academic Year</b>				
<b>School Districts:</b>				
Aledo	Cedar Hill	Fort Worth	Lancaster	Prosper
Allen	Celina	Frisco	Lewisville	Princeton
Alvord	Chico	Garland	Little Elm	Red Oak
Anna	Coppell	Godley	Lovejoy	Richardson
Argyle	Crandall	Grand Prairie	Mansfield	Rockwall
Arlington	Crowley	Grapevine-Colleyville	McKinney	Royce City
Aubrey	Dallas	Highland Park	Melissa	Sanger
Azle	Decatur	Hurst-Euless-Bedford	Mesquite	Sherman
Birdville	Denton	Irving	Midlothian	Sliddell
Blue Ridge	Desoto	Joshua	Northwest	Sunnyvale
Boyd	Duncanville	Keller	Palmer	Waxahachie
Bridgeport	Eagle - Mt Saginaw	Kennendale	Paradise	Weatherford
Carroll	Everman	Krum	Pilot Point	White Settlement
Carrollton-FB	Ferris	Lake Dallas	Plano	Wylie
Castleberry	Forney	Lake Worth	Ponder	

- Uplift has the right to deny admissions to applicants with documented history of a criminal offense, juvenile court adjudication, or serious discipline history including expulsion or placement in an alternative education placement setting. If this information is not disclosed in the application, and is later discovered by Uplift Education, the applicant’s admission will be revoked. It is the parent’s responsibility to inform the school of any offense occurring after the date of application. Any falsifications, misrepresentations, or omissions of information regarding your child’s history may disqualify your child’s application.
- Uplift has the right to verify eligibility data, such as applicant’s date of birth, residency or basis for an exemption. If incorrect information is provided in the application, the admission may be revoked.

## What is the Lottery?

- Admission is determined by a name-blind lottery, for applications submitted between Friday, November 1, 2019 and Saturday, February 1, 2020.
- Each Uplift School has limited space. A lottery is held when more applications are received than there are available spaces, per grade.
- Lottery results will be communicated in the spring ONLY to those that are selected in the lottery.

## What is the Lottery selection process?

- **How will families be notified?**
  - Applicants selected in the lottery will be notified by email on Friday, February 7, 2020, after the lottery is conducted.
  - The admitted list will be posted on the school's website. Some Uplift Schools will also post the results in the school's lobby.
  - If notification is not received, by late spring, regarding child's status in the lottery, please contact the Community Engagement and Enrollment Coordinator at your first-choice school.
- **How do families accept their admittance?**
  - Admitted students must indicate their decline or acceptance within 2 weeks of the receipt of notice of admittance email. If we do not receive a response within the 2-week timeframe, we will assume that you are declining the offer of admittance.
  - After the school receives the acceptance confirmation, admitted students will be emailed a snapcode. The snapcode is the student's unique identifier for the online enrollment process.
  - Newly admitted scholars will be notified to attend a Pre-Attendance Conference (PAC) to be held at the school in the late spring.
  - Uplift reserves the right to determine grade placement based on a review of prior academic records and state testing.

## What is the Waitlist and how does it work?

- Waitlists are established when an Uplift School receives more applications for a given grade than space available. If a spot becomes available, students on the waitlist will be offered admission in the order listed.
- Applications received AFTER the application deadline are automatically placed on the waitlist in the order received.
- The Waitlist, as of the lottery date, will be posted on the school's website. Applications received after the application deadline will be on the waitlist but will not be posted on the website.
- If your child is not selected in the lottery, we hope you will continue to apply to our schools in the future school years.

## What are the Lottery Preferences?

Preferences in the lottery are given to Uplift staff, siblings of current scholars, and certain zip codes at the same school as long as the application is received before the lottery deadline but does not guarantee enrollment.

- **Sibling Preference**
  - An applicant who has a sibling currently attending an Uplift School must still apply to the school.
  - The applying child will receive preference in the lottery due to the enrolled sibling but is not guaranteed admittance.
  - The preference will only apply to the same school the sibling attends.
  - The sibling status will be verified, prior to the lottery, via school records.
- **Zip Code Preference**
  - The following zip codes surrounding each school receive preference in the lottery.
  - Anyone within the geographical boundaries may apply, but those within the zip codes listed below will receive preference for that Uplift School.

<b>ZIP CODE PREFERENCES for the 2020-2021 Academic Year</b>	
<b>Campus Name</b>	<b>Zip Code Preferences</b>
<b>Uplift Ascend</b>	76119 south of Business 287, 76134, 76140
<b>Uplift Elevate</b>	None
<b>Uplift Gradus</b>	75104, 75115, 75134, 75137
<b>Uplift Grand</b>	75050, 75051, 75052, 75054
<b>Uplift Hampton</b>	75104, 75115, 75116, 75134, 75137, 75237
<b>Uplift Heights</b>	75212
<b>Uplift Infinity</b>	75060, 75061
<b>Uplift Luna</b>	75215, 75217, 75223, 75227, 75228
<b>Uplift Meridian</b>	76103, 76105, 76112, 76119 north of Business 287
<b>Uplift Mighty</b>	76103, 76105, 76112, 76119 north of Business 287
<b>Uplift North Hills</b>	None
<b>Uplift Peak</b>	75204, 75206, 75214, 75217, 75223, 75227, 75228
<b>Uplift Pinnacle</b>	75208, 75211, 75216, 75224, 75232, 75241
<b>Uplift Summit International</b>	76010, 76011, 76012, 76013, 76014
<b>Uplift Triumph</b>	75220 west of Midway, 75229 west of Marsh, 75235
<b>Uplift White Rock Hills</b>	75149, 75150, 75180, 75217, 75218, 75227, 75228
<b>Uplift Williams</b>	75220 west of Midway, 75229 west of Marsh, 75235
<b>Uplift Wisdom</b>	75208, 75211, 75216, 75218, 75224, 75232, 75241

**Contact the Community Engagement and Enrollment Coordinator of your first-choice school if you have any additional questions about the lottery process.**

## **HOW TO APPLY?**

**The Application Process:** Follow these steps to submit an online application.

### **STEP 1: Verify your child's eligibility to apply and attend an Uplift school.**

- Age requirements
  - If applying for kindergarten, the child must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2020.
  - If applying for 1<sup>st</sup> grade, the child must be 6 years old on or before September 1, 2020.
- Residence must be within certain geographic boundaries to apply. Refer to page 2.
- Documented discipline issues
  - Uplift has the right to deny admissions to applicants with documented history of a criminal offense, juvenile court adjudication, or serious discipline history including expulsion or placement in an alternative education placement setting. If this information is not disclosed in the application, and is later discovered by Uplift Education, the applicant's admission will be revoked. It is the parent's responsibility to inform the school of any offense occurring after the date of application. Any falsifications, misrepresentations, or omissions of information regarding your child's history may disqualify your child's application.

### **STEP 2: Create an InfoSnap account at [www.uplifteducation.org/apply](http://www.uplifteducation.org/apply)**

- To start the online application process, you will need to create an InfoSnap ID and password.
- If you have previously applied for a child to an Uplift school, please use your previous InfoSnap log in account.
- To reset your password please click on the 'Forgot Password?' link on the InfoSnap log in page. You may also email [apply@uplifteducation.org](mailto:apply@uplifteducation.org) to retrieve your user account log in information. Be sure to include your scholar's name and date of birth.

### **STEP 3: Complete the online application.**

- Enter the current information about your child's name, grade, contact information, and select the school(s) of interest. You will need:
  - A copy of your child's birth certificate: Be sure to use your child's legal name as it appears on the birth certificate and verify child's date of birth.
  - **REQUIRED:** An email address to receive the email confirmation.

### **STEP 4: Submit the online application.**

- We recommend that you complete and submit the application in one session.
- An email confirmation will be sent to the email provided and will contain a list of frequently asked questions regarding Uplift's Lottery process.
- To make any future changes to your application, please contact your first-choice school.

## PRE-K PROGRAM

### Which Uplift Schools offer the Pre-K Program?

Uplift Education will provide a Pre-K program at the following schools for the 2020-21 school year:

Campus Name	Location	Address	Email
<b>Uplift Ascend</b>	Forest Hill	3301 Turf Paradise Pkwy.	Ascendadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Gradus</b>	DeSoto	121 Seahawk Dr.	Gradusadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Grand</b>	Grand Prairie	300 E. Church St.	Grandadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Heights Primary</b>	West Dallas	2806 Canada Dr.	HeightsPadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Infinity</b>	South Irving	4931 Bernal Dr.	Infinityadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Luna Primary</b>	Downtown Dallas	4231 Maple Ave.	LunaPadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Meridian</b>	Fort Worth	1801 S. Beach St.	Meridianadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Mighty</b>	Fort Worth	3700 Mighty Mite Dr.	Mightyadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Peak</b>	East Dallas	1835 Young St.	Peakadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Triumph</b>	Bachman Lake Area	9411 Hargrove Dr.	Triumphadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift White Rock Hills</b>	Far East Dallas	7370 Valley Glen Dr.	WRHadmissions@uplifteducation.org
<b>Uplift Wisdom</b>	South Dallas	301 W Camp Wisdom Rd.	Wisdomadmissions@uplifteducation.org

### How does the Pre-K Lottery work?

- The Pre-K lottery deadline is February 1, 2020.
- Same lottery guidelines mentioned in the ‘The Admission Process at Uplift’ apply when applying for the Pre-K program.

### What is the Pre-K Lottery selection process?

- Those selected in the Pre-K lottery will be notified by April 2020.
- Once selected each applicant will have to qualify for the program based on the eligibility requirements listed below.

### How does a student qualify for the Pre-K Program?

Eligibility to enroll in the free Pre-K program will be determined based on qualifying indicators, including:

#### 1. Age

- A child must be at least three years of age to apply as of September 1, 2020
- With eligibility preference given to 4-year-olds as of September 1, 2020

The Texas legislature determines eligibility requirements for free, public prekindergarten in Texas.

#### 2. Applicants must meet at least ONE of the following qualifying indicators:

- Child is unable to speak or comprehend English, **OR**
- Child qualifies for free or reduced lunch program, **OR**
- Child is homeless, **OR**
- Child of a military parent, **OR**
- Child is in foster care, **OR**
- Child of Star of Texas Award recipient.

Please contact the Community Engagement and Enrollment Coordinator of your first choice Uplift School with any questions.