

Lowell High School

2017-2018 Admission - Bands Summary

Lowell High School Admissions Criteria

There are three different Bands (qualification methods) for admission into Lowell High School. There is also an additional evaluation of Special Education – RSP applicants for admission to Lowell High

- Band 1 – approximately 70% of assignment offers (approximately 615)
- Band 2 – approximately 15% of assignment offers (approximately 130)
- Band 3 – approximately 15% of assignment offers (approximately 130)
- Special Education – RSP – to be determined – based on space availability

Band 1

Band 1 admission is based on:

- the applicant’s grades in English, Math, Social Studies, and Science from the entire 7th grade and the 1st semester of 8th grade.
- the applicant’s scores from the English Language Arts and Math portions of the 7th grade SBAC test or Lowell Admission test in January 2017.

The total possible score for Band 1 is 89 points. The 2016-2017 cut-off score for Band 1 was 87 points. This may change for 2017-2018.

Band 2

To be considered for Band 2, students must have

- a minimum GPA of 3.00 (derived from English, Math, Social Studies, and Science from the entire 7th grade and the 1st semester of 8th grade) and
- a minimum 60% average on the 7th grade SBAC test or the Lowell Admission test.

Band 2 admission is based on:

- the applicant’s grades in English, Math, Social Studies, and Science from the entire 7th grade and the 1st semester of 8th grade. (max 64 points)
- the applicant’s score from the Band 2 evaluation done by school-based committees. (max 45 points)

The total possible score for Band 2 is 109 points. The 2016-2017 cut-off score for Band 2 was 84 points. This may change for 2017-2018.

Band 3

To be considered for Band 3, students must have a minimum of 64 points derived from

- the applicant’s grades in English, Math, Social Studies, and Science from the entire 7th grade and the 1st semester of 8th grade.
- the applicant’s scores from the English Language Arts and Math portions of the 7th grade SBAC test or Lowell Admission test in January 2017.

and be attending a Band 3 identified school. Band 3 schools will be identified as under-represented using data from the last three years of student population, number of applicants and number of admissions. The 17-18 list of Band 3 schools will not be available to the public until March 2017.

Assignments to Band 3 seats are made based on Principal nomination.

The following schools were determined to be under-represented (Band 3) for the 2016-2017 school year. This list may change for 2017-18.

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| APTOS MIDDLE | MARINA MIDDLE | ST CHARLES BORROMEO |
| BUENA VISTA/HORACE MANN K-8 | DR MARTIN L KING JR. MIDDLE | ST FINN BARR |
| CATHEDRAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS | MISSION DOLORES | ST GABRIEL |
| CONVENT OF THE SACRED HEART | OUR LADY OF THE VISITACION | ST JAMES |
| DE MARILLAC ACADEMY | PAUL REVERE K-8 | ST JOHN |
| EDISON CHARTER ACADEMY | S F COMMUNITY K-8 | ST PETER |
| EVERETT MIDDLE | SAN FRANCISCO CHRISTIAN | ST PHILIP |
| FRANCISCO MIDDLE | SAN FRANCISCO DAY | ST THOMAS MORE |
| FRENCH AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL | SAN FRANCISCO FRIENDS | ST VINCENT DE PAUL |
| JAMES DENMAN MIDDLE | SAN FRANCISCO WALDORF | STUART HALL FOR BOYS |
| JAMES LICK MIDDLE | SCHOOL OF THE EPIPHANY | THE HAMLIN SCHOOL |
| KIPP-BAY VIEW ACADEMY | ST ANTHONY IMMACULATE CONCEP | VISITACION VALLEY MIDDLE |
| KIPP-SF BAY ACADEMY | ST BRENDAN | |
| LYCEE FRANCAIS DE SAN FRANCISCO | ST CECILIA | |

Break-down of points assignment

| Category | Max Points | Scale Used | | | |
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| 1st Semester 7th Grade | 16 | Maximum of 4 points for each of the following four subjects: English, Math, Soc. Studies, Science A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, F = 0 | | | |
| 2nd Semester 7th Grade | 16 | Maximum of 4 points for each of the following four subjects: English, Math, Soc. Studies, Science A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, F = 0 | | | |
| 1st Semester 8th Grade | 32 | Maximum of 8 points for each of the following four subjects: English, Math, Soc. Studies, Science A = 8, B = 6, C = 4, D = 2, F = 0 | | | |
| Spring 2016 SBAC ELA or January 2017 Terra Nova Reading | 12.5 | Point Equivalent | Terra Nova Math & Reading Percentile Range | SBAC Math Scale Score Range | SBAC English Language Arts Scale Score Range |
| | | 12.5 | 97 - 99 | 2693 - 2778 | 2693 - 2745 |
| | | 12.0 | 93 - 96 | 2646 - 2692 | 2643 - 2692 |
| | | 11.5 | 89 - 92 | 2623 - 2645 | 2613 - 2642 |
| | | 11.0 | 85 - 88 | 2606 - 2622 | 2591 - 2612 |
| | | 10.5 | 81 - 84 | 2592 - 2605 | 2572 - 2590 |
| | | 10.0 | 77 - 80 | 2579 - 2591 | 2556 - 2571 |
| | | 9.5 | 73 - 76 | 2567 - 2578 | 2542 - 2555 |
| | | 9.0 | 69 - 72 | 2556 - 2566 | 2529 - 2541 |
| | | 8.5 | 65 - 68 | 2544 - 2555 | 2516 - 2528 |
| Spring 2016 SBAC Math or January 2017 Terra Nova Math | 12.5 | 8.0 | 61 - 64 | 2532 - 2543 | 2504 - 2515 |
| | | 7.5 | 57 - 60 | 2520 - 2531 | 2491 - 2503 |
| | | 7.0 | 53 - 56 | 2507 - 2519 | 2478 - 2490 |
| | | 6.5 | 49 - 52 | 2492 - 2506 | 2465 - 2477 |
| | | 6.0 | 45 - 48 | 2476 - 2491 | 2450 - 2464 |
| | | 5.5 | 41 - 44 | 2459 - 2475 | 2433 - 2449 |
| | | 5.0 | 37 - 40 | 2440 - 2458 | 2415 - 2432 |
| | | 4.5 | 33 - 36 | 2421 - 2439 | 2395 - 2414 |
| | | 4.0 | 29 - 32 | 2399 - 2420 | 2373 - 2394 |
| | | 3.5 | 25 - 28 | 2369 - 2398 | 2349 - 2372 |
| Band 2 Evaluations | 45 | | Points | | Points |
| | | 1. Socioeconomic factors: | | Athletics, participation in and abilities | 0-2 |
| | | • Free/reduced lunch | 0 or 2 | Community service, participation | 0-3 |
| | | • Public housing | 0 or 3 | Creative abilities in performing and visual arts (school-based) | 0-3 |
| | | • CalWorks | 0 or 3 | Extracurricular activities (school-based), participation in | 0-2 |
| | | 2. English Language Learner (ELL) status | 0 or 2 | Peer support/mentoring activities, participation in | 0-2 |
| | | 3. Demonstrated ability to overcome hardship (discrimination, economic responsibility, non-special education learning consideration (i.e. 504 plan), homelessness). | 0 or 4 to 9 | School leadership/service | 0-3 |
| | | 4. Extenuating circumstances (personal/family crisis such as death or illness) | 0 or 4 to 9 | Technology skills | 0-2 |