

Lowell High School

2019-2020 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 (typically 5-10)

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 2019.

The total possible score for Band 1 is 89 points. The 2018-2019 cut-off score for Band 1 was 88 points. This may change for 2019-2020.

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 2018-2019 cut-off score for Band 2 was 85 points. This may change for 2019-2020.

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 2019.

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 19-20 list of Band 3 schools will not be available to the public until March 2019.

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

The following schools were determined to be under-represented (Band 3) for the 2018-2019 school year. This list may change for 2019-2020.

ALT SCHOOL	JAMES LICK MIDDLE	SF COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVE
APTOS MIDDLE	KATHERINE DELMAR BURKE	ST ANTHONY IMMACULATE CONCEP
BESSIE CARMICHAEL / FEC(K8)	KIPP-BAY VIEW ACADEMY	ST BRENDAN
CATHEDRAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS	KIPP-SF BAY ACADEMY	ST JAMES
CHILDREN'S DAY	LYCEE FRANCAIS DE SAN FRANCISCO	ST JOHN
CONVENT OF THE SACRED HEART	MARINA MIDDLE	ST PETER
CORNERSTONE ACADEMY	MARTIN L KING JR.	ST THOMAS MORE
DE MARILLAC ACADEMY	MISSION DOLORES	ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE
EDISON CHARTER ACADEMY	OUR LADY OF THE VISITACION	ST VINCENT DE PAUL
EVERETT MIDDLE	PAUL REVERE (K8)	STAR OF THE SEA
FRANCISCO MIDDLE	PRESIDIO HILL	STS PETER & PAUL
FRENCH AMERICAN INT'L	SAN FRANCISCO DAY	THE HAMLIN SCHOOL
GATEWAY MIDDLE CHARTER	SAN FRANCISCO FRIENDS	VIS VALLEY MIDDLE
HOLY NAME	SAN FRANCISCO WALDORF	WILLIE L BROWN JR
JAMES DENMAN MIDDLE	SCHOOL OF THE EPIPHANY	

Break-down of points assignment

Category	Max Points	Scale Used			
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 2018 SBAC ELA or January 2019 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 2018 SBAC Math or January 2019 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	0-3
		• CalWorks or other Government Aid	0 or 3	Extracurricular activities, 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		