

SCHOOL PARTNER: ADMISSIONS ENGAGEMENT GUIDE

Breakthrough New York (BTNY) is a free program that prepares students to succeed in school and in their careers. Students begin our program the summer before 7th grade and complete the program when they graduate from college.

Eligibility Criteria



First 6th Grade Report Card: 83%+ in ELA, Math, Science & Social Studies



Student and at least one guardian vaccinated against Covid-19



Family meet's BTNY's Low-Income Family Guidelines (see website)

Student Characteristics May Include:



Goal-setter



Positive Community Member



Love of Learning



Critical Thinker



Growth Mindset



Advocate

Family Characteristics May Include:



Deeply value education



Seeking educational support & opportunities



Immigrant and/or non-native English speaker



Resource barriers to college access

BTNY Talking Points

- BTNY provides free after-school and summer academic and enrichment classes
- BTNY supports students in applying to competitive public and private high schools, including financial aid
- BTNY matches your student with high school and college-aged mentors who are close in age to your student
- BTNY provides 10 years of free services through middle school, high school and college

Students attend one of three sites (based on their preference):

Bronx Site

All Hallows High School 111 East 164th Street Bronx, NY 10452

Brooklyn Site

Liberty Avenue Middle School 350 Linwood Street Brooklyn, NY 11208

Manhattan Site

The Town School 540 East 76th Street New York, NY 10021

DEADLINES

ACTIVITIES

September-November 2023:

School Partnership-Building

BTNY Staff build relationships with partner school contacts, hold weekly Zoom Information Sessions beginning in October,

December 2023: Nominations

Schools submit contact information and first term report cards for 6th grade students with 83% in ELA, Math, Science & Social Studies.

School Partners identify nominees, direct families to Information Sessions, and support families in completing Part 1 of the BTNY Application as needed.

January 12, 2024: Part 1 Application Due

Students submit contact, academic, and selfreported financial documentation to confirm eligibility at btny.org/admissions BTNY Staff conduct e-mail/phone outreach to nominees, lead weekly Information Sessions, and support families in completing Part 1 of the BTNY Application as needed.

March 1st, 2024: Part 2 Application Due

Students and guardians submit short responses, essay, proof of income, and teacher recommendations at btny.org/admissions.

BTNY Staff & School Partners support eligible students and families in completing Part 2 of the BTNY Application as needed.

BTNY Staff score applications, and communicate list of final candidates to School Partners.

April 2024: Interviews

Finalist students and guardians participate in an Interview.

BTNY Staff conduct interviews for top candidates through April 2024

May 3, 2024: Offers

Students and families receive offer of admission and begin summer program in July 2024!

BTNY Staff inform School Partners of admissions decisions!



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