



D.A. Hulcy Science/Technology/Engineering/Arts/Math (STEAM) Middle School (Opening August 2015)

Acceptance into D.A. Hulcy STEAM Middle School, for incoming 6th graders only will **require** a completed application form which will be available beginning April 24, 2015 and **must be submitted by May 15, 2015**. Applications can be completed in the following ways:

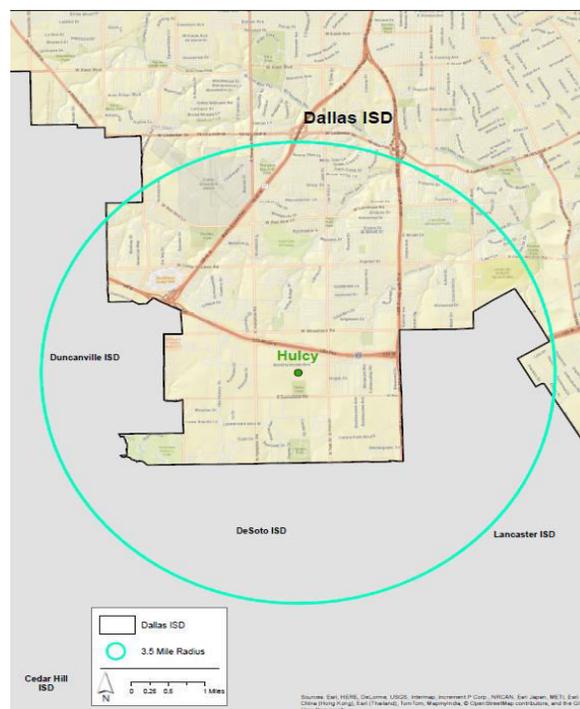
- Apply via the online application form located at dallasisd.org/applychoice
- Complete in person at the following locations:
 - Office of Transformation and Innovation, 3700 Ross Ave., Room 101A, Dallas, TX 75204
 - Ronald McNair Elementary School, 3150 Bainbridge Ave., Dallas, TX 75237
 - Martin Weiss Elementary School, 8601 Willoughby Blvd., Dallas, TX 75232

How Students Will Be Selected

Priority Selection

Applications from students living within a 3.5 mile radius of Hulcy will be put into a priority selection. The 3.5 mile radius is shown on the map. Students will be selected using computerized randomization. There will be no academic entry requirements.

- The 3.5 mile radius is *not based on driving distance*; it is based on a straight line.
- The solid grey area on the map is not within Dallas ISD boundaries. **Only students residing within Dallas ISD boundaries will be eligible to attend Hulcy.**
- If you are unsure whether your residence would fall into the priority radius, **please contact choice@dallasisd.org or call (972) 925-3306.**



General Selection

If additional seats remain after the priority selection, applications from students districtwide will be put into a general selection. All students residing within Dallas ISD boundaries will be eligible to apply; Hulcy will be a Dallas ISD open enrollment school. Students will be selected using computerized randomization. Students not selected in the priority selection or general selection may be placed on a waitlist.

Notifications

Students and families will be notified of their acceptance or waitlist position via email and a letter home by **May 21, 2015**. If selected, students and families must decide by June 4, 2015 whether or not to accept the offer.

If you have any questions about applying for D.A. Hulcy STEAM Middle School, please contact choice@dallasisd.org or call (972) 925-3306.

Student Transportation

Transportation to any Transformation School is provided for the 2015-2016 school year for students residing more than two miles from the school.

Parents of students will be contacted and notified of their respective pick-up location and type of transportation provided prior to the opening of school for the upcoming year. Transportation and acceptance into Transformation Schools is available to only those students residing within Dallas ISD attendance boundaries.

What to expect at D.A. Hulcy?

The D.A. Hulcy STEAM Middle School will be a student-centered, community-based school that anchors teaching and learning under a Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics model. Traditional subjects will still be taught. However, the elements of STEAM will be emphasized in day-to-day courses and electives and embedded within the curriculum itself. For example, in English class, students might read scientific case studies and lab procedures and then write a research report citing their findings. Throughout that process, the English teacher would incorporate lessons on reading and writing and might even facilitate a debate in which students have to support their scientific arguments with evidence from the texts. The STEAM model allows students to apply knowledge and skills in a real world context by equipping them with the tools necessary to make connections and problem solve in a college and career focused atmosphere.

Hulcy STEAM will utilize Project Based Learning (PBL) and collaborative learning environments to deepen students' understanding of the content and improve their achievement. This learning environment allows for students to combine and synthesize learning from multiple disciplines, develop interpersonal skills, and increased creativity given the emphasis on arts integration. Hulcy STEAM will also focus on leveraging external partnerships, such as local STEAM-related non-profits and businesses, in order to ensure student engagement and success.