

# HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS POLICY

## 2024-2025 School Year

**About Ingenuity High School:** Ingenuity at Poly is an advanced, socially responsible STEM curriculum and leadership program. Accepted students participate in a 4-year cohort of math and science courses with STEM research and innovation opportunities. Ingenuity is a good fit for students with a history of strong academic performance, curiosity in math and science, and the ability to grasp new material quickly. Ingenuity's math sequence begins with Honors Geometry or higher in 9th grade and students take at least 2 Advanced Placement (AP) college-level STEM courses before graduating.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

8th grade students who live in Baltimore City and complete Algebra I before high school. Limited spots are available for entry in 9th grade through a separate application.

## Three Steps in Ingenuity's Admissions Process

- 1** Apply to Ingenuity between November 1, 2023 -January 18, 2024
- 2** Submit Baltimore City Public Schools Choice Application by January 18, 2024\*
- 3** Take Ingenuity's Admissions Tests in January 2024

Students accepted to Ingenuity must also be accepted to Baltimore Polytechnic Institute (Poly) through the High School Choice process. **Poly must be ranked first on the Choice Application.** If you have questions about the Choice Application, ask your guidance counselor.

**Admissions decisions emailed February 2024.**



### For school year 2024-25, Ingenuity's Admissions Score consists of the following:

- 7th grade final grades **and** 8th grade first quarter (or trimester) grades in Math, Science, Social Studies, and English Language Arts.
- ➔ **Applicant's transcript must list Algebra 1 as an assigned or completed middle school course.**
- 2023 Math MCAP Assessment Results
- 2023 ELA MCAP Assessment Results
- Ingenuity's NWEA MAP Algebra 1 Assessment Results\*



### Applicants are accepted considering 2 factors:

- ✓ Ingenuity's admissions score
- ✓ Applicant school and ZIP code

**Acceptance Decision Details can be found on our website.**

### Applicants from outside Baltimore City Public Schools:

- When applying, have digital copies of the applicant's report cards and MCAP Score Reports (if tested). Report cards must include a numeric grade. If the school only provides letter grades, the applicant must ask the school for the numerical equivalent using Ingenuity's grade conversion form.
- If the applicant's school operates on a trimester schedule, do not apply until first trimester report cards are available.



### Concerned about low MCAP Scores?

MCAP is a new, rigorous test. Scores were lower across Maryland than past state tests. Applicants scores are only compared to scores of the current applicant pool. Most students across the state scored Level 2 and 3.

### Ingenuity's Algebra 1 Assessment: Use these materials to prepare!

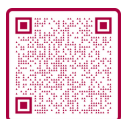
\*Accepted students who do not demonstrate proficiency on Ingenuity's Algebra I assessment may be enrolled in Ingenuity's four-week summer Algebra Academy.



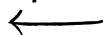
### Applicants who did not complete the MCAP Assessment:

- Baltimore City Public School Applicants: report card grades will be used.
- Applicants outside Baltimore City Public Schools: contact City Schools Office of Assessment to take the iReady assessment.

**More Information?**  
[www.ingenuityproject.org](http://www.ingenuityproject.org)



**Click or tap me!**



**Specific Admissions Questions?**  
Complete this [Online Admissions Form](#)  
or call 410.662.8665



**Click or tap me!**

