

McBride Frequently Asked Questions:

When will McBride open?

McBride High School will take its first students in fall 2013.

Will there be attendance boundaries for McBride High School?

No. McBride will be open to 9th to 12th grade students throughout the Long Beach Unified School. There will not be a defined attendance boundary for McBride High School.

Will the three pathways at McBride High School be considered a “Secondary Specialized Programs?”

Yes. Students will apply to three McBride programs (Health Medical, Public Services-Forensics and Engineering) through the School of Choice Application.

Will students that live near McBride High School be given preference for admission?

No. With no attendance boundary, 8th grade students throughout the district will have the option to apply to the programs at McBride.

How will students apply for McBride?

All students interested in attending McBride must apply through the LBUSD School of Choice process.

Will students from outside LBUSD be able to apply?

Yes. Information will be available on the McBride website in late October 2012 regarding the application process for students currently residing outside of the LBUSD boundaries.

When will students apply?

As part of the School of Choice process, 8th grade LBUSD students will receive a School of Choice application in November 2012. Students and parents will receive information about all LBUSD High School options, including McBride, through their middle school and a series of public information meetings. Applications will be completed and returned to their middle school in December 2012.

What special requirements will students need to apply?

All students who apply to McBride will complete a supplementary application to assess their interest in their chosen pathway. Admission to each pathway will be based on middle school grades, standardized test scores and demonstration of student interest through the supplementary application. Additional requirements or expectations may apply to individual pathways.

How many students will attend McBride?

In fall 2013, McBride will open with approximately 270 9th grade students, roughly 90 students per pathway. With new incoming 9th grade classes each subsequent year, McBride will serve approximately 1080 students by fall 2016.

Will the school have sports teams?

No.

When will more information be available?

Through a series of public events during October and November 2012, detailed information will be provided regarding McBride to potential students, parents and community members. Additional information will be posted on the McBride website.

Can a student be enrolled at McBride and not be part of one of the three programs?

No. All McBride students will be part of one of the three planned pathways, Health Medical, Public-Services Forensics, and Engineering.

What type of bell schedule will McBride High School have?

While the details of the bell schedule are not finalized, McBride is expected to have a late start schedule starting near 8:45 a.m. or 9:00 a.m.

Who can I contact for more information?

If you have any questions about McBride High School, please contact John Jacobson in the LBUSD Secondary Schools Office at jjacobson@lbschools.net or at 562-997-8130.