



BUILD

Overview and Application 2014-2015

The BUILD Program helps students develop their own business ideas, write business plans, pitch to funders and launch real businesses. As they reap the rewards—from keeping their profits to gaining self-confidence—they clearly see the connection between the classroom and career success. Students also receive individualized academic support and advising for their school-work, college planning, business coaching afterschool and participate in business plan competitions with other schools in the city.

Participation in BUILD is a unique opportunity! Only 25 students will be admitted in the BUILD program, and there are no specific academic requirements. We encourage the students with a high interest in BUILD to apply.

In addition the DCPS graduation requirements, BUILD students are expected to:

- Commit to the BUILD program for four years (ninth grade as a class, tenth through twelfth grades afterschool)
- Stay afterschool one day each week until 6:30 p.m. to meet with business mentor and develop your own business.
- Participate in a family orientation prior to acceptance into the program.
- Attend evening and weekend events as required to learn about other businesses and to market and sell your products.

How do I apply to BUILD?

Both students within Eastern's neighborhood boundary and outside of Eastern's boundary can apply and be considered for admission into BUILD. All application materials should be faxed, hand-delivered, mailed or sent via email to:

Eastern Senior High School
c/o Janel Young
1700 East Capitol St. NE
Washington, DC 20003

Email: janel.young@dc.gov

Fax: (202) 698-4500

When is the application deadline and when will I hear back about my status?

BUILD has rolling admissions with a priority deadline of February 3rd. The earlier you submit your application, the sooner you know whether or not you are accepted. We may still consider your application after the priority deadline, but there are no guarantees that space will still be available. You will receive a response within four weeks of your submission date.

How many seats is Eastern offering in the BUILD program?

There are 25 available seats in BUILD for the 2014-2015 school year.

Can I apply to BUILD through the *My School DC* Common Application or Common Lottery Process?

No. The BUILD application is only available on the Eastern website.

In addition to BUILD, can I enroll in the Health and Medical Sciences Academy and/or ACE courses?

Yes. It is possible to enroll in more than one program as long as the student is accepted into each program and as long as the students' individual schedule permits. Students must submit separate applications for each program of interest.



PART I: Student Information

Please give us some information about you and why you are interested in the BUILD program. Your answers will help us learn more about you and will be kept confidential.

Full Name: _____ Date of Application: _____

Street Address: _____ Home Phone: (____) _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____ Other Phone: (____) _____

E-mail Address: _____ Gender: ____ male ____ female

Middle School: _____ Age: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____ Work Phone Number: (____) _____

Have you ever been in an entrepreneurship/business program before? Yes No

Do you plan on being in another college prep program (such as Upward Bound)? Yes No

What afterschool activities/responsibilities do you plan to have in your ninth grade year?

Has anyone in your family attended college? Yes No

If so, how are they related to you? _____

Did they graduate from college? Yes No

How interested are you in joining BUILD? Circle one.

Very interested

Somewhat interested

Not very interested

What interests you most about BUILD? Circle all that apply.

Help getting into college Starting your own business Working with a professional mentor Making money

Other: _____

In making decisions on acceptance, we do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability.

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PART II: Short Answer Questions

Please answer the following questions:

If you could start your own business while in high school, what would it be? Why?

What are your goals after graduating from high school?

PART III: Report Card Submission

You must attach your most recent report card to this application.

PART IV: Parent and Student Disclaimer and Signature

- I understand that in order to be enrolled in BUILD I must have an in-person meeting with BUILD and/or ESHS staff.
- If accepted, I understand that false or misleading information in my application may result in my release from BUILD.
- Parents, by signing this form, you approve your child to be considered for the honor of joining BUILD.

Student's Signature	Date
Parent's Signature	Date