



Dear BPS Rising 9th and 10th Grade Families,

We are writing to inform you that BPS has discovered an error in how we calculated grade point averages (GPAs) to determine 7th-grade exam school eligibility. Although we work with an external auditor to ensure the accuracy of our data, neither the external auditor nor BPS' Office of Data and Accountability (ODA) caught the error before notices were sent out.

Since catching the error, the ODA and independent external auditor have revalidated the GPAs. We are confident in the accuracy of the new GPA calculations for rising 9th and 10th graders, but out of an abundance of caution, we are double-checking all grading data to ensure accuracy.

We will continue to keep you updated on our progress and **expect to have eligibility notices go out by the end of this week**. Exam school invitations are still scheduled for early May.

If you have any questions, please email exam@bostonpublicschools.org or call the family helpline at 617-635-8873.

We understand how important it is to get accurate information quickly, and we are doing our best to ensure that happens. Thank you for your patience.

Sincerely,

Office of Welcome Services & Office of Data and Accountability



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We understand that this news may be concerning. We are doing everything we can to get you accurate information as quickly as possible.

This week, the ODA and the external auditor are double-checking all calculations to ensure they are accurate.

We expect to be able to send out new eligibility notices by the end of this week. Exam school invitations are still scheduled for early May.

We apologize for this error and are committed to providing you with accurate information as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please email exam@bostonpublicschools.org or call the family helpline at 617-635-8873.

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