What is Home-Based Assignment? How does it generate a school list for families?

Home-Based Assignment Plan ensures every family has high-quality school options. The plan adapts to changes in quality over time.

Students with fewer higher-quality schools closer to home will have more choices to ensure they have access to quality.

Every list also includes all schools within one mile from home, citywide options, and other nearby schools to ensure seat availability.

Families rank the schools they prefer and students will be assigned based on seat availability, various priorities, and random number.

School Year 2016-2017 uses MCAS Tiers from 2013-2014 data for school choice lists.

How is a school-choice list generated under Home-Base?

- 2 Closest Tier 1 schools
- 4 Closest Tier 1 or 2 schools
- 6 Closest Tier 1, 2, or 3 schools
- 3 Closest Option Schools
- All schools within 1 mile
- Citywide schools
- Additional programmatic option schools (dual language programs)

Choice lists for all grades are based on K2 options and then adjusted

Other add-ons for certain students:

- Closest ELC or EEC
- East Boston guarantee
- Sibling school(s)
- AWC option

ELL and SPED students receive programmatic options in cluster