



# Frequently Asked Questions

## Academic School Year & Summer Program

### How do I apply online?

Please go to <https://lasbest.org/family> and follow the link to apply in English, Spanish and other languages. You will be able to apply for Summer Program 2022 and School Year 2022-23 at the same time!

### What are the important DATES? When can I apply? When will I know if my child is accepted or waitlisted?

#### SUMMER 2022 (June 14, 2022 - July 22, 2022)

- Applications are being accepted starting **Monday, May 9, 2022 at 9am.**
- All guardians will be notified if their child is accepted or on a waitlist beginning **Monday, May 16, 2022.**
- There is limited capacity. Applying early will increase your chances of acceptance.

#### 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

- Applications are being accepted starting Monday, May 9, 2022 at 9am.
- All guardians will be notified if their child is accepted or on a waitlist beginning Monday, June 6, 2022.
- There is limited capacity. Applying early will increase your chances of acceptance.

### Can someone help me fill out the application online?

There are resources to help you complete the application. Please go to <https://lasbest.org/family>. Only legal guardians can complete the application.

If you do not have access to a computer, tablet or smartphone, we encourage you to use the device your child was given from the school and connect with the Site Coordinator to schedule the time and date for support in completing the online application.

### How do I know if my application was received?

When you complete the application, you will receive a text message or an email. If you do not receive either within 2 business days of submitting your application, please contact the Site Coordinator. All guardians will be notified if their child is accepted or put on a waitlist.

### How do I know if my child was accepted to the program?

You will be notified by LA's BEST staff if your child was accepted or waitlisted per the dates listed above. If you do not receive a call or notification please contact the Site Coordinator at your site.



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### **Can I make changes to the application?**

Yes, if you need to change your contact information, the name or birthdate of your child or change the school, please contact the Site Coordinator immediately. For all other changes, you can make them once your child is accepted or waitlisted. All guardians will be notified if their child is accepted or put on a waitlist.

### **Will my child need to be vaccinated? Will my child be required to wear a mask and be tested? Where can I get my child tested?**

LA's BEST follows all LAUSD COVID pandemic rules and regulations. For updates please go to <https://achieve.lausd.net/covidfaq> or call the LAUSD Family Helpline at (213) 443-1300 or speak with your school staff. To make a COVID testing or vaccination appointment, please visit <https://achieve.lausd.net/covidtestingappt> or call (213) 443-1300.

### **What will my child do every school day after school until 6pm?**

Every school day, your child will be supervised by caring adults who are members of LA's BEST staff. Your child will receive:

- A substantial nutritious snack (called "supper"). It is served immediately after the regular school day ends.
- Help with their homework.
- 30-minutes of physical activity outside (except on rainy, really cold or really hot days).
- The opportunity to choose enrichment activities (that are both educational and fun) to do with other LA's BEST students. Activities vary at each site but all sites include activities like: arts and crafts, science projects, dance, sports, and learning about healthy habits.
- Adult supervision and time having fun with their peers.
- Support for their social and emotional development from caring adults.

### **Will my child be picked up from their last class?**

After the last bell rings, all students enrolled in LA's BEST will stay on campus and line up with an LA's BEST staff member. The location will be clearly marked. Kindergarten students are picked up daily. First grade students will be picked up the first week to support the student to build awareness of the sign in location. When your child starts LA's BEST, please make sure your child knows they are going to LA's BEST after the bell rings and please also tell their teacher.

### **Does my child need to attend the program every school day until 6pm?**

LA's BEST funding is based on the number of days and hours children attend the program. Therefore, children are required to attend daily and remain in the program until 6:00pm. Children may be removed from the program for excessive unexcused absences in order to provide the



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opportunity for children who need the program on a daily basis to attend. If your child is going to be absent, please notify the Site Coordinator. Children absent from the regular school day may not attend LA's BEST.

### **Does every school offer LA's BEST Summer Program? What will my child do during the Summer Program?**

Not every school has LA's BEST Summer Program. Only certain schools offer LA's BEST during the summer break. Times vary at each site. Students attending LA's BEST at a Community Of School (COS) must also be enroll in the school's academic morning session. If not enrolled a list of LA's BEST schools offering the program can be found at <https://lasbest.org/family> (including the times and if it's a COS site).

Our Summer Program operates with the same intention and social and emotional support for students as during the academic school year. Each child has the opportunity to participate in sports, enrichment activities, academic support with focus on team building, mentoring and learning in a fun and festive environment. And, each student will receive a nutritious meal.

### **Do I need a Daily Pass to pick-up my child? How do we get help with the Daily Pass?**

Yes, you need a Daily Pass to pick-up your child.

Sign-in here <https://pap.lausd.net/en-US/SignIn?returnUrl=%2Fen-US%2Fresources%2F>

Sign-in here (Spanish) <https://pap.lausd.net/es-ES/SignIn?returnUrl=%2Fen-US%2Fresources%2F>

If you are a parent, you will need your Parent Account. If you do not have a Parent account, please register here: <https://parentws.lausd.net/parentauthen/register.jsp?app=passport>. You may also contact your school site or call the Los Angeles Unified Hotline at 213-443-1300 for assistance with opening a Parent account. Employees, contractors and students can use their single-sign on (LAUSD email address) when selecting "Employees/Students" below.

Additional resources can be found

<https://pap.lausd.net/en-US/resources/>

<https://pap.lausd.net/es-ES/resources/>