



Office of the State
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DCTAG

COMPLETION CHALLENGE OVERVIEW

SPRING 2023



PURPOSE OF THE COMPLETION CHALLENGE

The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) wants to maximize the number of class of 2023 students in public and public charter high schools in the District who complete the DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DCTAG) application.

The DCTAG Completion Challenge encourages all DC public and public charter school students enrolled in Grade 12 during the 2022-23 school year to complete the entire DCTAG application process by **April 21**.

Though the Completion Challenge ends in April, the DCTAG application will remain open until **Friday, Aug. 18, 2023 at 3 p.m.**

THE STRUCTURE OF THE COMPLETION CHALLENGE

The structure of the challenge is based on Grade 12 enrollment, and public and public charter schools in the District will be clustered by three enrollment tiers.

There will be two award structures that recognize a total of four schools. Both structures are calculated based on the percent of Grade 12 students who complete the DCTAG application process by **April 21, 2023**. All students enrolled in Grade 12 at each recognized high school will be provided one \$10 Visa gift card.

- **Percentage of seniors who complete the DCTAG application process:** The first award structure will award one high school per enrollment tier.

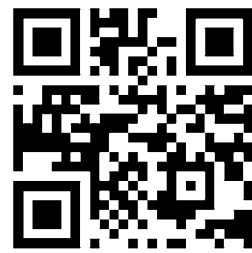
This will recognize the three schools (one per tier) with the highest percentage of students who complete the entire DCTAG application process out of all Grade 12 enrolled students at that school.

- **Largest increase since 2022:** The second award structure will identify one overall high school.

This will recognize one school with the largest percentage point increase between the percentage of students in Class of 2022 and the Class of 2023 who completed the DCTAG application process.

KEY DATES

- **Monday, Feb. 22, 2023:** DCTAG Completion Challenge begins.
- **Friday, April 21, 2023, 3 p.m. ET:** Completion Challenge closes. Recognitions will be calculated using DCTAG application completion data as of this date and time.
- **Friday, April 28, 2023:** High schools will be notified of the results of the Completion Challenge.
- **Monday, May 1 – Friday, May 5, 2023:** Celebrate recognized high schools and their seniors. Awarded high schools will receive a banner for their efforts. DCTAG will take a photo of students at the awarded schools.
- **Friday, Aug. 18, 2023, 3 p.m. ET:** DCTAG application closes.



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