

CHALLENGE DETROIT

EXCELLENT SCHOOLS DETROIT

Challenge Detroit is partnering with [Excellent Schools Detroit](#) for our 4th challenge. In Detroit, parents and guardians can enroll their children in almost any school in the city, regardless of their address. Although some restrictions apply, enrollment is a particularly complicated issue with many children enrolling in multiple schools before deciding on one. Enrollment fluctuates often for a variety of reasons. First there are many schools with over 1,200 early learning institutions and 250 K-12 systems. Next, there is no standard enrollment system, which creates confusion and frustration. Therefore, parents may enroll their kids in multiple schools, before finally settling down on one, which takes enrollment spots away from other potential students. Moreover, schools struggle to manage their budget properly because one student dropping out (the state gives schools about \$7,000 per student) a week or two into the school year can severely hamper a school's fiscal plan.

This week we are preparing to present our recommendations to Excellent Schools Detroit. We propose four improvements to the enrollment process: a school enrollment hotline to better inform people, a mobile or permanent kiosk that provides a location for one-on-one education advisement, a grant program to encourage collaboration between schools, and a common application system to provide a streamlined electronic enrollment process.

Please visit the [Challenge Detroit YouTube page](#). You will find videos high lighting the opening and closing of our challenges, and short insight into the Challenge Detroit Fellows via their weekly spotlights. Finally, if you are interested in learning more about [Excellent Schools Detroit](#), please check their website. You may want to take advantage of the [Charitable Volunteer Program](#) and participate in an event with others at Billhighway.

-Isaac

Dialogue on Detroit Future City Framework

Thursday, Jan. 31st 6-8pm



Detroit Harmonie-Taste the World: Central & South America

Thursday, Jan. 31st 6:30pm



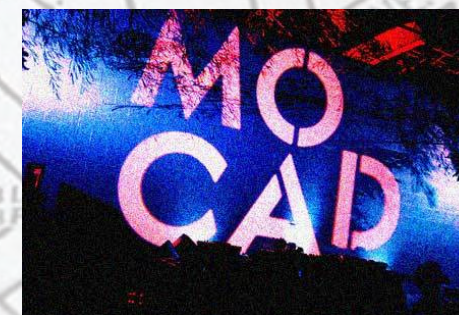
Femme Fridays with Nothing Elegant

Friday, Feb. 1st 10pm-2am



MOCAD Opening: When Attitudes Became Form

Friday, Feb. 1st 9pm



MSU v. U of M Hockey @ The Joe

Saturday, Feb. 2nd 4-7pm



Detroit Derby Girls Bout

Saturday, Feb. 2nd 6-9pm



Wines of Spain Pairing Dinner @ Fountain Bistro

Monday, Feb. 4th 6:30-9pm



2013 Oscar Nominated Animated and Live Action Shorts

Feb. 1st - Feb. 17th

