

ATTENTION PARENTS

APPLICATION FOR KINGSTREE MIDDLE MAGNET SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Application Instructions:

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

- Applications are located on-line and at KMMSA.
- Applications must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 22, 2024.
- Applications must be completed by a parent or legal guardian.
- Indicate only one area for audition.
- Students in current grades 5 through 7 are eligible to audition for Dance, Visual Arts, Vocal Ensemble, Instrumental Ensemble, Piano, Strings, Drama, Broadcasting, and Creative Writing.
- Please refer all questions concerning auditions and admission for the Magnet School to Mrs. Jennifer Holliday, WCSD Director of Fine Arts, at (843) 355-5571, or Ms. Ayesha Hannibal, Principal, at (843) 355-1506.

Audition Date

Saturday, May 4, 2024

A letter or email will be sent with exact time for audition.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Who may apply?

A. Any student (Current Grades 6-7) may apply. The acceptance process is based on audition.

Q. How many students will be accepted?

A. Placement allocations for each area will be based on available openings in the arts component.

Q. Is KMSA an academic magnet school?

A. KMMSA is an arts magnet school. The acceptance process is based on auditions.

Q. What are the arts components?

A. A student is accepted in one of the following components: Instrumental Ensemble, Piano, Strings, Vocal Ensemble, Dance, Drama, Visual Art, Broadcasting and Creative Writing.

Q. Does the District provide transportation to the magnet school?

A. Yes, bus transportation is available for all students within Williamsburg County.

Q. Does the magnet school have services for special needs students?

A. Yes, the magnet school meets the learning needs of all its students.

Q. If I am accepted to KMMSA and enroll next year, may I return to my home school if I decide I don't like the magnet school?

A. No, once enrolled you are committed for the entire school year. You may elect to return to your home school at the end of the school year.

Q. If I am accepted to the magnet school and would like to audition for another component, may I audition again the same year?

A. No, you may apply and audition again the next year for another component.

Q. If I am accepted this year, do I have to audition again next year?

A. No, you only audition one time for any given component.

Q. Are there any after school activities at KMMSA?

A. Yes, there are often performances and programs that students must attend after school and at night. There are also after school sessions in which students may enroll.

Q. Can I apply and audition for more than one component?

A. No, you may only participate in one component each year.

Application for Kingstree Middle Magnet School of the Arts 2024 - 2025 School Year

Kingstree Middle Magnet School of the Arts is a visual and performing arts middle school. The arts components available at KMMSA are *Instrumental Ensemble, Piano, Vocal Ensemble, Strings, Dance, Drama, Visual Art, Broadcasting and Creative Writing*. Any student may apply. Placement allocations for each arts component will be based on available openings. **Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.** NOTE: The programs at KMMSA are subject to change due to enrollment.

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Applications may be mailed or delivered to:

**Kingstree Middle Magnet School of the Arts
710 Third Avenue - Kingstree, South Carolina 29556**

PLEASE PRINT

Legal Name of Student: _____
First Middle Last

Date of Birth: _____ **Current Grade level 2023-2024 School Year:** _____

Mailing Address of Student:

Street City/State Zip

Current School: _____ **Home Phone #:** _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____ **Work Phone#:** _____

First Middle Last

Parent Signature: _____ **Today's Date:** _____

Email Address: _____

**You may audition in only one arts component. Please indicate your choice.
A description of each component is on the back.**

Dance **Instrumental Ensemble** **Piano** **Strings**
Creative Writing **Visual Arts** **Drama** **Vocal Ensemble**
Broadcasting

Kingstree Middle Magnet School of the Arts

Arts Core Descriptions and Audition Requirements

Instrumental Ensemble: Students will learn to play one instrument in the woodwind, brass, or percussion section. Music theory and music history will be included in the course of study. Prior instrumental experience is not required. Audition requirements: Task 1: Students will perform a one minute prepared instrumental or vocal music selection of their choice. Task 2: Students will respond to rhythmic and melodic echo and question-answer phrases.

Dance: Students will become literate in the language of dance and use it as a means of communication and self-expression. Prior dance experience is not required. Audition requirements: Task 1: Students will be guided through a dance lesson. Task 2: Students will perform the dance learned in groups of three at the end of the class.

Piano: Students will learn to play the piano by using standard piano literature. Music theory and composition will be included in the course of study. Prior experience is not required. Audition requirements: Task 1: Students will perform a one minute prepared instrumental or vocal music selection of their choice. Task 2: Students will respond to rhythmic and melodic echo and question-answer phrases.

Strings: Students will learn to play one of the following orchestral string instruments: violin, viola, cello, or string bass. Students will learn by using a proven strings method book. Music theory and music history will be included in the course of study. Prior experience is not required. Audition requirements: Task 1: Students will perform a one minute prepared instrumental or vocal music selection of their choice. Task 2: Students will respond to rhythmic and melodic echo and question-answer phrases.

Drama: Drama is a sequential program that includes the study of playmaking/playwriting, acting, technical elements, directing, researching, valuing, and responding. The program includes the acquisition of skills in verbal and non-verbal communication, vocal variety, public speaking, oral interpretation, characterization, and improvisation. Prior experience is not required. Audition requirements: Task 1: Improvise a 30 second scene with beginning, middle, and end, in response to a given character and situation. (For example, you have misplaced your homework and you have to convince your teacher that you did it.) Task 2: Perform a one-minute memorized presentation of a monologue or narrative.

Visual Arts: Visual Art is a sequential program that includes the study of creating works of visual art, using structures and functions, exploring content, history, culture, interpreting works of art, and making connections with other art forms. Prior experience is not required. Audition requirements: Task 1: Submit portfolio of at least 3 art pieces completed by the student. Task 2: On-Site Still Life Drawing will be completed by the student.

Vocal Ensemble: Students will learn good vocal health and proper singing techniques. Music theory and music history will be included in the course of study. Prior experience is not required. Audition requirements: Task 1: Students will perform a one-minute prepared vocal music selection of their choice. Task 2: Students will respond to rhythmic and melodic echo and question-answer phrases.

Creative Writing: Students will develop a passion for storytelling-creating stories and characters in their own voice and style. The program will challenge their boundaries in poetry and storytelling. Prior experience is not required. Audition requirements: Task 1: Students will submit at least two writing pieces completed by the student. Task 2: Students will be guided through a creative writing lesson. At the end of the lesson, students will submit what was created.

Film, Video, Broadcasting: The KMMSA Middle School Video Broadcast Production Program has been designed to engage middle school students at the beginner through intermediate levels in camera operations, videography, video editing, live broadcasting, broadcast news journalism, script writing, interviewing, academic and event content development, and media publishing. Audition requirements: Task 1: Sample Writing: Write a single paragraph introducing yourself and discussing why you are interested in broadcasting. Include a picture of yourself your paragraph or separately. Task 2: Record a 1–2-minute video using an iPhone or camera with

- *Greeting, name, age, grade
- * Basic information about yourself
- * What makes you unique and special
- * Current Goals