

PRIORITY FOR ADMISSION

At most schools, there are not enough seats to accommodate every student who applies. For this reason, each selection that you make on the application is assigned a certain "priority" ranking which is considered in the lottery. Those priorities for both magnet and special transfer option schools are described in this section.

PRIORITIES FOR MAGNET SCHOOLS

ENTERING GRADES K, 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5

All magnet applications for elementary schools are processed through the lottery. Seats are allocated according to choice and priority. This means that all first choices are considered first, according to the priorities, followed by all second choices until the seats are filled.

Priority 1 - Neighborhood Preference for students who live in the current attendance area of a non-dedicated magnet school.

Priority 2 - Former Attendance Area Preference for students who live in the former attendance area of a dedicated magnet.

Priority 3 - Military Dependent Transition Preference for a transitioning student who has a parent on active duty. (Students meet eligibility requirements when applicable, follow application procedures, reside in Duval County and in the household of the military affiliated parent, and submit active duty orders and emergency data record.) Please refer to School Board Policy 5.23 for complete details.

Priority 4 - Sibling Preference for a student who has a sibling residing at the same address who attends a magnet program at the same school and is eligible to return next year. Siblings applying for the first time are not eligible to receive sibling preference. Siblings are defined as brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister living at the same address.

Priority 5 - Socio-Economic Preference for elementary students whose:

- Neighborhood school is a Title 1 School and who apply to attend a magnet program in a non-Title 1 School.
- Neighborhood school is a non-Title 1 School and who apply to attend a magnet program in a Title 1 School.

Priority 6 - Principal's Signature Preference for students whose parents attend a tour or open house at the magnet school they are applying for and have the principal's signature indicating attendance. Schools will enter tour/open house attendance electronically through the Parent/Guardian Account.

Priority 7 - No Principal's Signature Preference for students who submit an application but have no signature indicating attendance at a tour or open house.

Priority 8 - Not Eligible for the Program (e.g., Montessori 1st grade and higher without an immediate full prior year of Montessori experience; Dual Language 2nd grade and higher without passing grade on language proficiency test; applying for a Gifted program and the student has not been staffed Gifted, etc.).



ENTERING GRADE 6

Current 5th grade magnet students must re-apply!

All magnet applications for middle school are processed through the lottery, including those who have program continuity. Seats are allocated according to choice and priority. This means that all first choices are considered first, according to the priorities, followed by all second choices until the seats are filled.

Priority 1 - Neighborhood Preference for students who live in the current attendance area of a non-dedicated magnet school.

Priority 2 - Former Attendance Area Preference for students who live in the former attendance area of a dedicated magnet.

Priority 3 - Military Dependent Transition Preference for a transitioning student who has a parent on active duty. (Students meet eligibility requirements when applicable, follow application procedures, reside in Duval County and in the household of the military affiliated parent, and submit active duty orders and emergency data record.) Please refer to School Board Policy 5.23 for complete details.

Priority 4 - Program Continuity with Sibling Preference for magnet students who are in a program that continues at the next school level and who also have a sibling attending the school who is eligible to return the next school year. Siblings are defined as brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister living at the same address.

Priority 5 - Program Continuity Preference for magnet students who are attending a program that continues at the next school level.

Priority 6 - Sibling Preference for a student who has a sibling residing at the same address who attends a magnet program at the same school and is eligible to return next year. Siblings applying for the first time are not eligible to receive sibling preference. Siblings are defined as brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister living at the same address.

Priority 7 - Tiered Continuity Preference for magnet students who want to switch themes when entering middle school.

Priority 8 - Principal's Signature Preference for students whose parents attend a tour or open house at the magnet school they are applying for and have the principal's signature indicating attendance. Schools will enter tour/open house attendance electronically through the Parent/Guardian Account.

Priority 9 - No Principal's Signature Preference for students who submit an application but have no signature indicating attendance at a tour or open house.

Not Eligible for the Program (e.g., Montessori 1st grade and higher without an immediate full prior year of Montessori experience; Dual Language 2nd grade and higher without passing grade on language proficiency test; applying for a Gifted program and the student has not been staffed Gifted, etc.).



ENTERING GRADE 6 AT LAVILLA OR FORT CAROLINE MS

Current 5th grade magnet students must re-apply!

All magnet applications for LaVilla and Fort Caroline are processed through the lottery, including those who successfully audition. Seats are allocated according to choice and priority. This means that all first choices are considered first according to the priorities, followed by all second choices until the seats are filled.

Priority 2 - Former Attendance Area Preference for students who live in the former attendance area of Fort Caroline MS. This preference is only used if applying to Fort Caroline MS.

Priority 3 - Military Dependent Transition Preference for a transitioning student who has a parent on active duty. (Students meet eligibility requirements when applicable, follow application procedures, reside in Duval County and in the household of the military affiliated parent, and submit active duty orders and emergency data record.) Please refer to School Board Policy 5.23 for complete details.

Priority 4 - Program Continuity Preference for magnet students who are in a program that continues at the next school level.

Priority 5 - Neighborhood Student Audition Preference for non-magnet neighborhood students who are attending an elementary arts magnet school and wish to continue to LaVilla or Fort Caroline MS. Students **MUST** pass the audition to receive this preference.

Priority 6 - Sibling Preference for a student who has a sibling residing at the same address who attends a magnet program at the same school and is eligible to return next year. Siblings applying for the first time are not eligible to receive sibling preference. Siblings are defined as brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister living at the same address.

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High Audition Preference for students seeking advanced placement in 6th grade at LaVilla or Fort Caroline MS. Students who audition must still submit an online application.

Priority 7 - Low Audition Preference for students seeking advanced placement in 6th grade at LaVilla or Fort Caroline MS. Students who audition must still submit an online application.

Priority 8 - Principal's Signature Preference for students whose parent attends a tour or open house at the magnet school they are applying for and have the principal's signature indicating attendance. Schools will enter tour/open house attendance electronically through the Parent/Guardian Account.

Priority 9 - No Principal's Signature Preference for students who submit an application but have no signature indicating attendance at a tour or open house.

ENTERING GRADES 7 & 8

All magnet applications for middle school are processed through the lottery. Seats are allocated according to choice and priority. This means that all first choices are considered first, according to the priorities, followed by all second choices until the seats are filled.

Priority 1 - Neighborhood Preference for students who live in the current attendance area of a non-dedicated magnet school.

Priority 2 - Former Attendance Area Preference for students who live in the former attendance area of a dedicated magnet.

Priority 3 - Military Dependent Transition Preference for a transitioning student who has a parent on active duty. (Students meet eligibility requirements when applicable, follow application procedures, reside in Duval County and in the household of the military affiliated parent, and submit active duty orders and emergency data record.) Please refer to School Board Policy 5.23 for complete details.

Priority 6 - Sibling Preference for a student who has a sibling residing at the same address who attends a magnet program at the same school and is eligible to return next year. Siblings applying for the first time are not eligible to receive sibling preference. Siblings are defined as brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister living at the same address.

Priority 7 - Principal's Signature Preference for students whose parent attends a tour or open house at the magnet school they are applying for and have the principal's signature indicating attendance. Schools will enter tour/open house attendance electronically through the Parent/Guardian Account.

Priority 8 - No Principal's Signature Preference for students who submit an application but have no signature indicating attendance at a tour or open house.

Priority 9 - Not Eligible for the Program (e.g., Montessori 1st grade and higher without an immediate full prior year of Montessori experience; Dual Language 2nd grade and higher without passing grade on language proficiency test; applying for a Gifted program and the student has not been staffed Gifted, etc.).

ENTERING GRADES 7 & 8 AT LAVILLA OR FORT CAROLINE MS

Admission to 7th or 8th grade is limited to passing the Audition with a High Preference

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Priority 6 - High Audition Preference for students seeking advanced placement in 7th or 8th grade at LaVilla or Fort Caroline MS. Students who audition must still submit an online application.

Priority 7 - Low Audition Preference for students seeking advanced placement in 7th or 8th grade at LaVilla or Fort Caroline MS. Students who audition must still submit an online application.

ENTERING GRADE 9

Current 8th grade magnet students must re-apply!

All magnet applications for high school are processed through the lottery, including those who have program continuity. Seats are allocated according to choice and priority. This means that all first choices are considered first, according to the priorities, followed by all second choices until the seats are filled.

Priority 1 - Neighborhood Preference for students who live in the current attendance area of a non-dedicated magnet school.

Priority 2 - Former Attendance Area Preference for students who live in the former attendance area of a dedicated magnet.

Priority 3 - Military Dependent Transition Preference for a transitioning student who has a parent on active duty. (Students meet eligibility requirements when applicable, follow application procedures, reside in Duval County and in the household of the military affiliated parent, and submit active duty orders and emergency data record.) Please refer to School Board Policy 5.23 for complete details.

Priority 4 - Program Continuity with Sibling Preference for magnet students who are in a program that continues at the next school level and who also have a sibling attending the school who is eligible to return the next school year. Siblings are defined as brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister living at the same address.

Priority 5 - Program Continuity Preference for magnet students who are in a program that continues at the next school level. Students eligible for program continuity to Paxon or Stanton must make these two schools their first and second choice in order to be assured continuity to one of the two schools. If you choose to make only one choice, continuity cannot be assured. Students who are eligible for program continuity to Paxon or Stanton, but who want to select the 9th grade program at Darnell-Cookman or Samuel Wolfson should make Darnell-Cookman or Samuel Wolfson their first choice with the understanding that assured continuity to Paxon or Stanton is forfeited.

Priority 6 - Sibling Preference for a student who has a sibling residing at the same address who attends a magnet program at the same school and is eligible to return next year. Siblings applying for the first time are not eligible to receive sibling preference. Siblings are defined as brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister living at the same address.

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Tiered Continuity Preference for 8th grade Montessori magnet students applying for 9th grade at Stanton College Preparatory, Paxon School for Advanced Studies, Darnell-Cookman School of the Medical Arts, and Samuel Wolfson High School.

Priority 7 - Principal's Signature Preference for students whose parent attends a tour or open house at the magnet school they are applying for and have the principal's signature indicating attendance. Schools will enter tour/open house attendance electronically through the Parent/Guardian Account.

Priority 8 - No Principal's Signature Preference for students who submit an application but have no signature indicating attendance at a tour or open house.

Priority 9 - Not Eligible for the Program (e.g., Montessori 1st grade and higher without an immediate full prior year of Montessori experience; Dual Language 2nd grade and higher without passing grade on language proficiency test; applying for a Gifted program and the student has not been staffed Gifted, etc.).

ENTERING GRADES 10, 11 & 12

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Priority 2 - Former Attendance Area Preference for students who live in the former attendance area of a dedicated magnet.

Priority 3 - Military Dependent Transition Preference for a transitioning student who has a parent on active duty. (Students meet eligibility requirements when applicable, follow application procedures, reside in Duval County and in the household of the military affiliated parent, and submit active duty orders and emergency data record.) Please refer to School Board Policy 5.23 for complete details.

Priority 6 - Sibling Preference for a student who has a sibling residing at the same address who attends a magnet program at the same school and is eligible to return next year. Siblings applying for the first time are not eligible to receive sibling preference. Siblings are defined as brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister living at the same address.

Priority 7 - Principal's Signature Preference for students whose parent attends a tour or open house at the magnet school they are applying for and have the principal's signature indicating attendance. Schools will enter tour/open house attendance electronically through the Parent/Guardian Account.

Priority 8 - No Principal's Signature Preference for students who submit an application but have no signature indicating attendance at a tour or open house.

Priority 9 - Not Eligible for the Program (i.e., does not have appropriate coursework or transcript).

