



General Information

It is the parents' responsibility to contact the school for requirements that are school specific (e.g. proficiency tests, auditions, etc.) and submit all required documentation by January 15th.

A. Basic Criteria for Random Selection Magnets

- A minimum of 2.0 Grade Point Average in each core academic subject area (e.g. language arts, mathematics, science, social studies) for the previous year and the first grading period of the current year combined.
- A minimum of 2.0 Grade Point Average in conduct for the core academic subject areas (e.g. language arts, mathematics, science, social studies) for the previous year and the first grading period of the current year combined.
- All effort grades in core academic classes must be a "2" or higher for the previous year and the first grading period of the current year combined.
- No more than 10 unexcused absences for the previous year and 5 unexcused absences for the first semester of the current year.
- No teacher recommendation will be required.
- Parents must schedule any required language skills testing for International Studies programs by January 15th.
- FSA scores can only be reviewed as part of the eligibility process under very limited circumstances.
 - Elementary schools may not review FSA scores.
 - Secondary schools with a seven or an eight period schedule may not review FSA scores.
 - Secondary schools with a six period schedule may review FSA scores to determine if a student has at least one elective period available to take magnet theme courses.

B. Enhanced Criteria for Designated Random Selection Magnets

- A minimum of 2.5 Grade Point Average in each core academic subject area (e.g. language arts, mathematics, science, social studies) for the previous year and the first grading period of the current year combined.
- A minimum of 2.0 Grade Point Average in conduct for the core academic subject areas (e.g. language arts, mathematics, science, social studies) for the previous year and the first grading period of the current year combined.
- All effort grades in core academic classes must be a "2" or higher for the previous year and the first grading period of the current year combined.
- No more than 10 unexcused absences for the previous year and 5 unexcused absences for the first semester of the current year.
- May require that Physical Science Honors and Algebra I Honors be completed and received credit before the 2019-20 school year begins. Proof of course enrollment or completion must be submitted by January 15th.
- No teacher recommendation will be required.
- Parents must schedule any required language skills testing for International Studies programs by January 15th.
- FSA scores can only be reviewed as part of the eligibility process under very limited circumstances.
 - Elementary schools may not review FSA scores.
 - Secondary schools with a seven or an eight period schedule may not review FSA scores.
 - Secondary schools with a six period schedule may review FSA scores to determine if a student has at least one elective period available to take magnet theme courses.
- Enhanced Criteria requirements apply to the following Magnet Schools/Programs:
 - AP Capstone (Advanced Placement) programs – Grades 9-12
 - Cambridge International programs – Grades 9-12
 - International Baccalaureate (IB) programs – Grades 9-12
 - International Studies (IS) programs – Grades 9-12
 - iPrep programs – Grades 9-12



- iTech program at Miami Springs SHS
- Jose Marti Mast 6-12 Academy (grades 9-12), Maritime & Science Technology Academy (MAST Academy), MAST @ FIU Biscayne Bay Campus, Medical Academy for Science and Technology (MAST @ Homestead), iPrep Academy (9-12), TERRA Environmental Research Institute

C. Visual & Performing Arts Magnets

- Parents must schedule auditions/interviews by January 15th.
- A minimum of 2.0 Grade Point Average in each core academic subject area (e.g. language arts, mathematics, science, social studies) for the previous year and the first grading period of the current year combined.
- A minimum of 2.0 Grade Point Average in conduct for the core academic subject areas (e.g. language arts, mathematics, science, social studies) for the previous year and the first grading period of the current year combined.
- All effort grades in core academic classes must be a “2” or higher for the previous year and the first grading period of the current year combined.
- No more than 10 unexcused absences for the previous year and 5 unexcused absences for the first semester of the current year.
- Placement is based on audition/interview results.
- No teacher recommendation will be required.
- FSA scores can only be reviewed as part of the eligibility process under very limited circumstances.
 - Elementary schools may not review FSA scores.
 - Secondary schools with a seven or an eight period schedule may not review FSA scores.
 - Secondary schools with a six period schedule may review FSA scores to determine if a student has at least one elective period available to take magnet theme courses.

D. Interest-Based Magnet Schools/Programs:

- Admission is interest-based only.
- No teacher recommendation/prerequisites will be required.
- Interest-based only admissions apply to the following Magnet Schools/Programs:
 - Pine Lake Elementary
 - STEM: Botany & Zoology
 - Barbara Goleman Senior High
 - STEM: AP Capstone
 - Cybersecurity
 - Digital Marketing
 - Financial Technologies
 - Forensic Science
 - Information Systems Technology
 - Law Enforcement/Intelligence Studies
 - BioTECH @ Richmond Heights 9-12
 - Conservation Biology
 - iTech @ Thomas A. Edison Educational Center
 - Geospatial Information Systems(GIS)
 - Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)
 - iCode (Microsoft Software Solutions)
 - Miami Southridge Senior High
 - Business Innovation & Management
 - Gaming Design & Animation
 - Mobile Application Development

Some programs may require additional eligibility, contact the school directly for any district approved changes to prerequisite/eligibility requirements.