



Scholars Academy Application

This is the application for incoming 9th or 10th graders who wish to be considered for admission into the Pre-IB Scholars Academy at Miami Beach Senior High School.

Students and parents are encouraged to review this application together before submission. It is suggested that you retain a copy for your records.

The application must be **legibly** filled out and mailed, along with any necessary transcripts, to the Scholars Office: Miami Beach Senior High School Scholars Office
Attn: Sylvia Carro
2231 Prairie Avenue
Miami Beach, FL 33139
sacarro@dadeschools.net

Parents may assist their children in completing all parts of the application EXCEPT the short response questions on the final page.

Please read all parts of the application carefully. There are important instructions for curricular alignment and gifted classification inside.

The deadline for priority admissions is January 15th, 2018. Priority applicants are considered without concern for space constraints. Applications are accepted after January 15, but transfer students are at the discretion of the transfer process once the application process has closed which will be before Spring Break 2018.

Private School Students

The admissions committee will need a sealed copy of your official school transcripts for every school you have attended in the 6th, 7th and 8th grades. Mail transcripts to the Scholars Office at the address given previously. Your application is not complete until your transcripts are received.

Gifted Classification

Students who are classified as gifted will be placed in at least one self-contained gifted section. Students who have never attended public school are typically not designated as gifted by the State of Florida. The Scholars Academy accepts both "gifted" and "non-gifted" students, and gifted designation is not considered in admissions decisions; however, while "gifted" students may take "non-gifted" Scholars Academy courses, students who have not been designated as gifted may not sit in self-contained gifted sections. Gifted sections are typically scheduled for 9th and 10th grades only. There are no gifted sections of AP or IB classes.

If you would like to inquire about your current gifted classification, please contact Ms. Maggie Guenin, Gifted Coordinator, at mguenin1@dadeschools.net. It is incumbent upon students and parents to verify their current gifted designation. We will ultimately seat students according to their gifted designation at the time of their enrolment at Miami Beach Senior High. Both gifted and non-gifted classes are available in the Scholars Academy.

The traditional curriculum sequence in Mathematics and Science for late middle school and early high school for Miami- Dade County Public Schools is as follows:

Mathematics: Pre-Algebra, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II
Science: Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry

If you are considering entering the Scholars Academy from a private school or other setting that does not follow the MDCPS curriculum sequence, we require taking Physical Science and Algebra I in anticipation of matriculation to the Scholars Academy. It is often possible to complete these courses online through Florida Virtual School at www.flvs.net or through Dual Enrollment at Miami-Dade College in the summer before the freshman year. Please contact Charmaine Williams, Scholars Academy Counselor, at cwilliams3@dadeschools.net for more information.



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Student Applicant Information

Name:

Address:

City/Town:

State:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Primary Parent/Guardian Information

Name:

Company:

Address:

City/Town:

State:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

School Information

What school do you CURRENTLY attend?

What Grade are you currently in?

8th

9th

10th

Have you EVER attended a public school in Miami-Dade County?

Yes, my student ID # is ...

No

Please list ALL schools you have attended in the 6th, 7th, 8th or 9th grades.

1.

2.

3.

We may need to contact your current school for clarification of coursework or grades. Please list the contact information of your school's registrar, your counselor, or the Assistant Principal for Curriculum (APC).

Name:

Address:

City/Town:

State:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Email Address:

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If you attended more than one school in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades, please list the contact information of your previous school's registrar or Assistant Principal for Curriculum (APC).

Name:

Address:

City/Town:

State:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

If you attended more than two schools, please list the contact information of any additional schools.

Name:

Address:

City/Town:

State:

ZIP/Postal Code:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Academic Information

Please check ALL mathematics courses you have passed in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades, INCLUDING the course in which you are currently enrolled. Failure to answer correctly may result in improper placement.

Pre-Algebra

Algebra I

Geometry

Algebra II

Other (please specify)

Please check ALL science courses you have passed in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades, INCLUDING the course in which you are currently enrolled. Failure to answer correctly may result in improper placement.

Physical Science

Biology

Other (Please specify)

Please check ALL Foreign Language courses you have passed in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades, INCLUDING the course in which you are currently enrolled. Please do NOT check courses that you passed in elementary school. Failure to answer correctly may result in improper placement.

None French I

Spanish I French II

Spanish II French III

Spanish III French IV

Spanish IV AP French Language

AP Spanish Language Other (Please specify)



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Please check any languages OTHER than English that you commonly speak at home.

- None
- Spanish
- Haitian Creole
- French
- Italian
- Portuguese
- Other (please specify)

Teacher References

We may decide to contact your teachers with questions about your academic performance. Please list the contact information of a teacher you have had in 6th, 7th, or 8th grades in each of the academic disciplines. If you are in the 9th grade, we would need references from your most current teachers. Please request references from core academic 8th or 9th grade teachers ONLY. Please do not include non-academic references.

Language Arts Teacher

Grade (6,7,8,9)

Email address:

Phone Number

Mathematics Teacher

Grade (6,7,8,9)

Email address:

Phone Number

Science Teacher

Grade (6,7,8,9)

Email address:

Phone Number

Social Studies Teacher

Grade (6,7,8,9)

Email address:

Phone Number



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Short Response

The following questions are to be answered in complete paragraphs. Responses may be done on a word processor and attached. These questions are to be completed INDEPENDENTLY by the student applying to the Scholars Academy. Parents should not assist students in writing their responses. Please answer completely.

What two subjects do you find most interesting?

- 1.
- 2.

Why do you find these subjects interesting?

List three extracurricular activities that have had an impact on your life.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Explain how these activities have affected you.

What do you expect to do after high school graduation?

How do you spend your free time?

What are your strongest study habits?

What are your weakest study habits?

What do you want us to know about you?

Why do you want to join the Scholars Academy?