

# Admissions Overview: Middlesex County Magnet Schools Academies (Edison, Woodbridge)

The Middlesex County Magnet Schools are committed to providing exceptional educational opportunities through specialized Career Major Programs. Our admissions procedure is designed to identify and select students who demonstrate strong academic potential, a genuine interest in their chosen Career Major, and the readiness to thrive in a challenging academic environment to make them College Ready. Career Ready. Life Ready. Please be advised, we receive more applications than we have space available. The admissions process is competitive, but based on the whole child.

# **Application Process:**

# 1. Student Application Form:

- Complete the Student Application Form available on the Middlesex County Magnet Schools website.
- Write an essay explaining your interest in the selected Career Major(s). The essay should reflect your motivation, career aspirations, and how the chosen program aligns with your goals.
- o Submit the following documents:
  - Final report card from 7th grade
  - Current 8th grade schedule (MP 1 report card if available)
  - Any other relevant information as listed in the application
  - **Signed Application:** Ensure the application form is signed by a parent or guardian to confirm their support and understanding of the application process.

### 2. Complete entrance exam:

An entrance exam for the academies is vital to ensure that students possess the necessary academic skills and knowledge to thrive in a challenging environment. It helps maintain the school's rigorous standards, promotes a culture of excellence, and ensures that students are well-prepared for advanced coursework. Additionally, the exam serves as a fair and objective measure to select students based on merit, fostering a competitive yet supportive academic community.

#### 3. Personal Interview:

 Attend a personal interview session with your parent or guardian. The interview provides an opportunity to discuss your application, Career Major interests, and to ask any questions about the programs. (Only for qualified applicants)

## 4. Additional Documents:

 Provide any additional documents requested by the admissions office. These may include standardized test scores, letters of recommendation, or other relevant information.

#### **Acceptance Criteria:**

## 1. MUST reside in Middlesex County

## 2. Completion of Grade 8:

- o Successful completion of 8th grade is required before admission.
- Successful completion of a full school year of Algebra 1

#### 3. Test Scores:

o Standardized test scores that demonstrate academic readiness and aptitude.

#### 4. Entrance Exam Scores

o A review of scores by school officials.

#### 5. Attendance Record:

 A positive attendance record, indicating a history of reliable and consistent school attendance.

# 6. Discipline Record:

 A satisfactory discipline record that reflects appropriate behavior and adherence to school policies.

# 7. Interest and Aptitude:

A high level of interest and aptitude for the selected Career Major Program. This
includes demonstrating enthusiasm and readiness for the specialized coursework
and career-focused activities.

### **Student Acceptance:**

All applicants will be notified of their application status by letter. The notification will include information regarding acceptance, waitlist, or non-acceptance and any next steps if applicable.

# **Application Timeline:**

- 1. Application opens October
- 2. Deadline to Apply is November 27th, 2024
- 3. Entrance Exam: Early January
- 4. Notice of Non-Acceptance February/March
- 5. Notice to Eligible Applicants for Interview February
- 6. Notice of Wait-list March
- 7. Notice of Acceptance March