

MAGNET APPLICATION for 2020-2021

Elementary School Grades: Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th

First Round Deadline: December 3, 2019 at NOON

Please type or clearly PRINT all information using BLACK INK for this magnet application.

Student Name _____ **Date of Birth** (Month/Day/Year) _____

Student's Grade Level for Next School Year (2020-2021)

CHECK ONE: ___ K5 ___ 1ST ___ 2nd ___ 3RD ___ 4TH ___ 5TH

I have read the Magnet Application and the Magnet Academies Frequently Asked Questions and understand the application and scoring processes found on the [Magnet Academies Webpage](#).

Parent Signature

Date

1. Student is applying to the following Magnet Academy (please check one):

Blythe Academy _____ French Partial Immersion* OR _____ Spanish Partial Immersion*
**A target language proficiency screening will be conducted with 2nd-5th grade applicants.*

East North Street Academy _____ Math and Science

Stone Academy _____ Communication Arts

2. Bus Transportation Requested: _____ AM _____ PM

Greenville County Schools provides school bus transportation for students who apply, qualify and are accepted as magnet students to the magnet academies. The district has eleven locally purchased buses to provide school bus transportation for magnet students. Students attend magnet academies from all sections of the district's boundaries covering 800 square miles. Depending on the location of the student's stop and the route of the bus to pick up or drop off all magnet students, the bus ride may be lengthy.

3. Is the parent an employee at the school to which the student is applying? _____ YES _____ NO

4. Is there a sibling currently enrolled as a magnet student who will be returning to the school to which the student is applying?

_____ YES _____ NO

*If yes, please refer to question 11 in the FAQ document and list full name(s) and grade(s) of siblings below:

5. Student Information

Student Name (as it appears on the birth certificate and district report card)

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Street Address _____

City, State & Zip Code _____

6. Parent Information

First Name _____ Middle _____ Last _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Work Phone (____) _____ Cell (____) _____
E-mail _____

*Please print and clearly distinguish between letters, numbers, upper case and lower case.

Is email a good way to reach you? _____ YES _____ NO *You will be notified of your student's magnet status by email.

7. List all schools attended during 2018-2019.

*Include home-schools, virtual schools, charter schools, private schools, etc., if applicable.

8. List all schools attended during 2019-2020.

*Include home-schools, virtual schools, charter schools, private schools, etc., if applicable.

9. If not accepted to a magnet school for 2020-2021 to which school in Greenville County Schools will your student be assigned based on your student's home address?

*If you do not know, please refer to #7 in the FAQ document.

10. Parents must compose a statement supporting the reason for their magnet choice. Limit response to the space provided below.

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS - Please Attach to Your Student's MAGNET APPLICATION:

Applications that are incomplete at the time of the first round deadline are eligible for subsequent rounds if the missing documentation is provided. Parents of out-of-district applicants are advised to submit applications early in the application window.

DIRECTIONS: Find the grade level for which your student is applying for **2020-2021**. Attach the required items to the magnet application.

- ALL - K5, 1st and 2nd Grade Applicants**
These students will not have a report card. Instead, each student must complete a magnet assessment in place of grades. Please contact the school's magnet coordinator to schedule this assessment. The assessment will take approximately 5 minutes to complete. If your student is applying to more than one magnet academy, you must submit a separate application to each academy, but you may choose to complete the assessment at only one of the academies. It is your responsibility to let the person who assesses your student know this so the assessment score will be shared with other elementary magnet academies.
- OUT OF DISTRICT ONLY - K5, 1st and 2nd Grade Applicants**
Please provide a letter from the previous school/daycare, preferably on school letterhead, regarding your student's discipline and attendance record. This letter can be a brief 1-2 sentence statement that provides this information.
- ALL - 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Applicants**
3rd GRADE Applicants - Provide the student's CURRENT 2nd GRADE REPORT CARD **2019-2020**. First quarter grades, attendance, and discipline reports will be used.
4th GRADE Applicants - Provide the student's 2nd GRADE END OF YEAR REPORT CARD **2018-2019**. Report card should include 3rd-4th quarter grades, attendance & discipline reports for the year.
5th GRADE Applicants - Provide the student's 3rd GRADE END OF YEAR REPORT CARD **2018-2019**. Report card should include 3rd-4th quarter grades, attendance & discipline reports for the year.
OUT OF DISTRICT ONLY - If a grading scale does not appear on the report card, the parent must request the current school convert grades to align with the GCS system. Review the following to determine if your student's grades must be converted:
***GRADE CONVERSION GUIDELINES:**
 - All academic grades in math, science, language arts, reading and social studies will be used to calculate the applicant's grade average. Related Arts Classes can also be included, but Penmanship/Handwriting is not included in the final grade average.
 - Only numerical grades 50 -100 and letter grades A, B, C, D, F that include the school's grading scale will be accepted.
 - Grades that are not compatible with Greenville County School's grading scale - such as Pass/Fail, E/S/U, 1/2/3/4, and narrative summaries - **must** be converted by the current school to numerical grades.
- OUT OF DISTRICT ONLY - 3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade Applicants**
If computer-generated report cards, grading scales, attendance, and/or discipline reports are not available, **a school administrator, counselor or home-school instructor must provide the information needed in a signed statement on school letterhead.** The person providing the statement must include contact information for verification purposes. See additional directions below:
 - **ALL REPORTS – GRADES, ATTENDANCE, DISCIPLINE**
 - **Must include** 1) student's first and last name 2) grade level 3) academic year and 4) school name.
 - **Must align** with the required grading period for the magnet application.
 - **ATTENDANCE - Provide the number of absences that occurred within the applicant's required grading period.**
 - If no absences occurred, provide a report indicating "0" absences.
 - If more than 5 absences occurred, provide the dates and reasons for each absence. If not, absences will count as unexcused.
 - If attendance is reported in hours instead of days, convert the hours missed into the number of days missed.
 - **DISCIPLINE – Provide the number of referrals that resulted in disciplinary action at the administrative level.**
 - If no referrals occurred, provide a report indicating "0" referrals.
- BLYTHE ACADEMY 2nd-5th Grade APPLICANTS ONLY**
Students who apply for French or Spanish in 2nd-5th Grades must be screened in the language proficiency. This will be set up after the application process through a parent appeal. Only students who pass the proficiency screening can be considered if space is available at that grade level.

Please direct questions about the application process to the magnet coordinators listed below:

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| Blythe Academy of Languages | phoffman@greenville.k12.sc.us | (864) 355-4415 |
| East North Street Academy of Mathematics and Science | jbrown@greenville.k12.sc.us | (864) 355-2915 |
| Stone Academy of Communication Arts | jnitsche@greenville.k12.sc.us | (864) 355-8446 |