



Queens Lake Middle Arts Magnet School

The Middle School Arts Magnet (mSAM) school is designed for students in grades 6-8 that provides enrichment and instruction in multiple arts electives. These learning experiences encourage students to work independently and collaboratively to develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills while enhancing self-esteem. The arts electives are a natural extension of the middle school academic program. Students participating in mSAM are enrolled in at least two of the offered arts electives. Students also are enrolled in the typical core area classes (English, history, math, science) at Queens Lake Middle School (QLMS) dependent on grade level.

Out-of-Zone Application Process

Students residing out of the QLMS attendance zone can apply to attend QLMS mSAM through the division's out-of-zone application process. The division's out-of-zone application can be found on the division's website under Enrollment/Attendance Zones. These applications are accepted beginning February 1 through June 1 for the upcoming school year. Completed applications should be submitted to the Student Services Department at the School Board Office or emailed directly to: ooz@ycsd.york.va.us. After the June 1 out-of-zone application deadline, Queens Lake Middle School staff will reach out to parents/guardians to provide additional magnet school application requirements. Approved magnet school students do not need to re-apply for out-of-zone placement each school year.

Additional Information

- Students accepted to mSAM will be enrolled at Queens Lake Middle School as their home school.
- **Parents of students zoned for TMS, GMS, and YMS are responsible for transportation to/from QLMS.**
- Enrollment in the Middle School Arts Magnet does not guarantee acceptance into the School of the Arts (SOA) in grade 9.
- Applicants who do not currently meet the eligibility criteria may choose to re-apply for admission the following school year.

mSAM Electives (Course descriptions may be found in the Program of Studies)

Theatre Arts
Dance Arts
Musical Stage Production
Music Technology I & II
Beginning Chorus 6 & Advanced Chorus
Visual Arts
Scenic Design and Set Build
Beginning Band 6; Intermediate Band & Advanced Band



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