

GRADES APPLICATION



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APPLICATION PROCESS – GRADES

1. TOUR – Both parents/legal guardians must attend one of our campus tours.
2. APPLICATION – A complete application must be filled out. Due January, 15, 2018.
This includes:
 - a. \$200.00 Application Fee.
 - b. Completed Application Form.
 - c. Grade applicants include a *Release of Information Form* and a *Confidential Teacher Recommendation Form* to their current school.
 - d. Immunization records as required by California State Law.
 - e. If applying for tuition assistance**, the tuition assistance application must be submitted on line at:
<https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3fv07>
3. INTERVIEW – Teachers interview all applicant families as part of our application process. Interviews will only be scheduled after a completed application is submitted, including the tuition assistance application submitted through FACTS.
 - a. For those applying to the Grades program the process is:
 - i. The child will come for a 3-day class visit.
 - ii. The parents/legal guardians will be interviewed on the last day of the child’s visit with members of the Grades Acceptance Committee and Class Teacher.
4. REGISTRATION AND ACCEPTANCE – Acceptance notification letters will be sent via email to parents/legal guardians on Friday, March 16, 2018. If the child is accepted, the parents/legal guardians will receive an Enrollment Agreement via e-mail, which must be completed and submitted by both parents/legal guardians to the Admissions Office by the due date stated on the letter, together with the Posted Tuition Deposit, a copy of a birth certificate, and required State forms.
5. ENROLLMENT will be considered complete once we receive all the above.

***Westside Waldorf School makes Tuition Assistance grants available for students Nursery thru Grade 8. The Tuition Assistance Committee reviews all applications to determine eligibility and then the amount of each grant. This is done on a first come, first served basis until all budgeted funds have been distributed.*



Parent-Infant Toddler Class: For children from the age of 2 months to 3 years; classes meet 1 or 2 days per week in 10 to 12 week blocks throughout the year. All classes have about 8-10 children and 1 of their parents with 1 teacher.

3, 4 or 5 Day Nursery: For children from the ages 2 years, 9 months (by September 1st) to about 4 years; they must be potty trained and weaned. Children may attend 3, 4, or 5 days per week, 8:30am-12:30PM. Class size is about 12 children with 1 teacher and 1 assistant. Classes are held at two locations:

(a) the Waldorf Early Childhood Center of Santa Monica, 1441 15th Street. Nap Care (12:30PM-2:30PM) Aftercare (2:30-4:00PM) are available for an additional charge.

(b) the McComb Campus, 17310 W. Sunset Blvd. in Pacific Palisades. Nap Care (12:30PM-2:30PM) and Aftercare (2:30-4:30PM) are available for an additional charge.

Kindergarten: For children from the ages of about 4-6; 5 days per week, 8:30am-2:15PM, Monday through Friday. Class size is about 13- 17 children, with 1 teacher and 1 assistant. Classes are held at two locations:

(a) the Waldorf Early Childhood Center of Santa Monica, 1441 15th Street. Aftercare (2:15PM-4:00PM) are available for an additional charge.

(b) the McComb Campus, 17310 W. Sunset Blvd. in Pacific Palisades. Aftercare (2:15PM-4:30PM) are available for an additional charge.

Elementary & Middle School: For children from age about 6 to 14 (Grades 1-8); 5 days per week, Monday through Friday. Class size is limited to about 24 children, with 1 main lesson teacher and multiple specialty subject teachers. Elementary and Middle School classes are held at 17310 W. Sunset Blvd. in Pacific Palisades.

Aftercare and enriched aftercare are available until 5:00PM, for an additional charge.

Ages of Children in our Classes: The structure of a Waldorf school is much the same as in most public and private schools. We are careful about enrolling the child at the appropriate level for her or his chronological age. Children enter a Waldorf Grade 1 at age 6 or 7; exceptions are rare, made only on the basis of demonstrated emotional as well as intellectual maturity. We prefer to have the child older and strong in class rather than younger and struggling. Our cut-off date is June 1st. If your child's birthday is near this date, expect the teacher from the lower grade to interview the child. Generally, children readily adjust to a change of grade if this occurs when they move schools, because they are with children the same age as themselves, and are undertaking age appropriate work.

The table below is for your guidance. If you have any questions please call the Admissions office.

Class	Age by June 1 st	Age during school year
Parent Toddler	2 months, under 3 by 1 st day of Session	2-36 months
3, 4, 5 Day Nurseries	2 years 6 months	2 years nine months - 4
Kindergartens	4-5	4 - 5 - 6- 7
Grade 1	6	6 - 7
Grade 2	7	7 - 8
Grade 3	8	8 - 9
Grade 4	9	9 - 10
Grade 5	10	10 - 11
Grade 6	11	11 - 12
Grade 7	12	12 - 13
Grade 8	13	13 - 14



Westside Waldorf School

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GRADES APPLICATION

To be completed by all parents or LEGAL guardians.

A non-refundable application fee of \$200.00 is required of each applicant.

The deadline for applications is January 15. Later applications will be considered if space is available.

Please attach a recent photo of applicant here.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Applying for: _____

Grade 1 Grade 2 Grade 3 Grade 4 Grade 5 Grade 6 Grade 7 Grade 8

For the year beginning fall _____

Name of Applicant _____
First Middle Last Nickname (if any)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ Gender _____ Telephone _____

Tuition Adjustment (TA): Tuition Adjustment awards are available beginning in Nursery. The TA process is confidential between the business manager and individual families.

Our Family will need to apply for TA Our Family will be able to pay the posted Tuition price

For office use only:

Application Received: Date _____ By _____

Amount Received: _____ Check # _____

PARENTS / LEGAL GUARDIANS (All legal guardians must be part of the application process):

Name: _____
Relationship to Student: _____
Home Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Home #: _____
Cell#: _____
Email: _____
Occupation: _____
Industry (if self-employed) _____
Work #: _____

Name: _____
Relationship to Student: _____
Home Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Home #: _____
Cell#: _____
Email: _____
Occupation: _____
Industry (if self-employed) _____
Work #: _____

Name: _____
Relationship to Student: _____
Home Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Home #: _____
Cell#: _____
Email: _____
Occupation: _____
Industry (if self-employed) _____
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Name: _____
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Home Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
Home #: _____
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Email: _____
Occupation: _____
Industry (if self-employed) _____
Work #: _____

MARITAL STATUS OF PARENTS:

- Together Separated Divorced Widowed Unmarried
Father remarried Father deceased
Mother remarried Mother deceased

CUSTODY - please include any custody agreements and court orders related to this subject

- Father Mother Other: _____
Relationship

VISITATION RIGHTS:

- No Yes _____
Explain

TUTION TO BE PAID BY:

- Father Mother Other: _____
Relationship

SIBLINGS OF APPLICANT:

Name: _____ Age _____ Grade _____ School _____
Name: _____ Age _____ Grade _____ School _____
Name: _____ Age _____ Grade _____ School _____

Are you applying to WWS for any of the above siblings? Yes No

If yes, which child(ren)? _____

What other schools are you currently applying to: _____

PREVIOUS SCHOOLS: Please list applicant's previous schools starting with the current school:

Current School _____ Years Attended _____ Grades Attended: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

Previous School _____ Years Attended _____ Grades Attended: _____

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What was the date of your formal tour at Westside Waldorf School? _____

Please explain why you are interested in Westside Waldorf School. Include materials you have read, lectures attended, and how you heard of the school. Are you acquainted with anyone at the school?

Please describe any special circumstances that have affected or may have affected your child's school experience.

Please describe your child's interests, musical instruments played, special talents, or hobbies (if applicable).

Is there any other information you would like to share about your child that the school would find helpful?
(For example, allergies, special tutoring, counseling, therapy, or diagnosis)

Westside Waldorf is a community school and parents are expected to join us in the adventure of education. If your child were to be admitted to the school, in what ways would you be interested in participating?

Media and Extracurricular Activity Information

What role does media (TV, movies, cellphones, mp3 players, video games, computers, etc) play in your family life?

Are you willing to work with your child's teacher to reduce media exposure for your child?

Yes No

Please describe your child's habits in relation to the above mentioned media:

Are you willing to adjust your child's scheduled extracurricular activities for appropriateness for your child's age? Yes No

Does your child participate in any (check all that apply):

Sports Martial Arts Gymnastics Dance Music

Please elaborate on the activities checked above:

Please fill out if you are an Adoptive Family:

Children can show a wide range of emotional adjustment which changes as children mature. Please share some of the language used in your family to discuss your family, your child's birth parents, birth and or adoptive siblings, etc. and any other relevant information you may know about your child's birth and early life so that we may better support your family.

At what age was your child adopted? _____

Is yours an open or closed adoption ?

International Domestic Adoption

Does your child know he or she is adopted? Yes No

Signature of Parent/ Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

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Student Application for Grades 2-8 (to be completed by incoming student)

We would like to offer you, the student, the opportunity to tell us about yourself. By answering these questions, you are giving us insight into who you are. Please handwrite your answer on this form or attach a separate sheet.

Please also include a copy of your 1) favorite writing sample and 2) a copy of a math sample that you have handed in to your teacher last year and that your teacher has returned to you with comments.

Please answer the following questions:

What is your favorite subject in school? Why is it your favorite?

What book have you enjoyed reading recently? Why?

What are some of your favorite things to do when you have free time?

Tell us about someone you admire and why?

What do you like best about yourself and why?

How have you spent the last two summers?

The above-answered questions and attached work samples represent my own honest and original effort.

Signature of Student _____ Date _____



Request for Student Transcripts / Release of Information

Dear Parent/ Guardian:

Please complete and sign this form and then submit it to your child's current school **Administrative Office** for completion. Ask them to mail this information to us within two weeks.

Current / Previous School

School Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Student's Name _____

Applying to Grade _____ Student's Date of Birth _____

Dates Attended _____ Current Grade _____

Dear School Administrator:

An application for the student named above has been submitted to Westside Waldorf School. Please provide the following information:

- Transcripts for the two previous years
- Current Grades
- Health/Immunization Records
- Available test scores
- If applicable, assessment/diagnostic studies
- Administrative Verification Form (see attached)
- Confidential Teacher Recommendation Form (see attached)

Please return all documents to:

Westside Waldorf School
17310 Sunset Blvd.
Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

Authorization is hereby given for release of the above information to Westside Waldorf School.

Signature of Parent/ Guardian _____ Date _____

Telephone Number _____



Dear Administrator:

Please complete these two sections and return the sheet to us as soon as possible. Thank you kindly.

Admissions
Westside Waldorf School
17310 Sunset Boulevard
Pacific Palisades, CA 90272
T. 310.454.7064, F. 310.454.7084
enroll@wswaldorf.org

CURRENT SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE VERIFICATION

Has this family satisfactorily met all its financial and other responsibilities to your school?

Yes No

If NO, please either explain in writing below or check box and call Franzi Utter at 310-454-7064

Communicate by Phone

Signed _____

Date _____

Name Printed _____

Position _____

School Name _____

Phone _____

PERMISSION TO SPEAK TO TEACHER

The current / previous student _____

Teacher _____

Phone _____

Times Available _____

I give consent for the Westside Waldorf School to speak with the teacher of this child concerning the child's performance and behavior in school. (Given by School Administrator)

Signed _____

Date _____

Name Printed _____

Position _____



Confidential Teacher Recommendation Form

(Please mail directly to: Westside Waldorf School, 17310 W Sunset Blvd, Pacific Palisades, CA 90272 Fax 310.454.7084)

Applicant's Name _____

Entering Grade _____

Teacher's Name _____

School Name _____

Phone _____

1. What dates have you taught this student? What subjects?

2. How does this student's overall performance relate to his or her ability?

3. Describe this student's class participation and working relationship:
 - a. With other students

 - b. with adults

4. In your opinion, what is this student's greatest potential and greatest need?

How do you recommend this student in regard to the following:

For Academic Promise

_____ Fair; there are considerable challenges _____ Strongly _____ Enthusiastically

For Character and Personal Promise

_____ Fair; there are considerable challenges _____ Strongly _____ Enthusiastically

Overall Recommendation

_____ Fair; there are considerable challenges _____ Strongly _____ Enthusiastically

Is there any other information you think is relevant for Westside Waldorf School to know about this child:

TEACHER'S SIGNATURE _____