



WINSTON CHURCHILL HIGH SCHOOL

THE ACADEMY OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS



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I am requesting admission to the Academy of Creative and Performing Arts. As a participant in the Academy, I will include the following components in my four year plan:

- ✓ MCPS Graduation Requirements
- ✓ 4 credits in an Academy focus area : art, choral or instrumental music, theatre, journalism (newspaper or yearbook)
- ✓ 1 additional credit in *another* Arts Academy focus area
- ✓ An approved summer or outside of school (during school year) enrichment experience
- ✓ Portfolio development and/or capstone experience
- ✓ An internship is recommended
- ✓ An un-weighted 3.5 grade point average in Academy Courses
- ✓ Participation in lunch time guest presentations

Name _____		M or F _____	ID # _____
Last	First		
Current School _____		Year of Graduation 2015	
Current School Counselor _____		Applicant's Cell Phone _____	
Applicant's Own Email Address (required) _____			
Parent Email address (required) _____			
Home Address _____			
<i>(Include street, city, state, and zip code)</i>			
Home Phone Number _____		Best parent <u>daytime</u> phone # _____	
My Arts Academy Focus will be (circle one)		Choral Music	Instrumental Music
Art	Theatre	Yearbook	Newspaper

I understand that the Academy of Creative and Performing Arts will present me with a challenging program that will enrich my high school years while preparing me for admission to college. By this "intent to participate" I am committed to working to my potential.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

Parents' Names (Please print neatly) _____

Parent's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Please return [1] this form, [2] your essay, [3] your proposed 4-year, and [4] Member Information Form to Mrs. Tilles in the Signature Program Office before the end of 8th grade. Please ask your teacher to return the recommendation form directly to us ASAP.

Refer questions to Wendy Tilles, Administrative Assistant, or Barbara Blazer, Signature Program Coordinator, at (301)469-1054 during school hours.



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Please write a carefully constructed essay explaining why you want to participate in The Academy of Creative and Performing Arts. **Please use a separate sheet of paper and double space your essay.** As you construct your response, think about which area of the Academy of Creative and Performing Arts in which you wish to participate. Include any past experience that you have had in the area in which you wish to focus. Explain how participating in the Academy will help you to develop your creative or performing art. Discuss both your career goals and your academic goals. Please attach your essay to your application form and return both the form and the essay with your registration materials.

If you are interested in the Arts Academy focus of **Visual Art**, please include a photograph, slide, or disc which illustrates work you have accomplished in art. You need only include illustrations of one or two pieces of your work.

If you are interested in the Arts Academy focus of **Journalism**, please include a sample of your writing in addition to the essay asked for with your application.

We currently use *Edline* as our primary mode of communication. **As a member of the academy, students must be able to receive emails that the Academy sends to “students only” AND parents/guardians must be able to receive emails that are sent out to parents/guardians.** To do this, once logged onto Edline, go to “Manage Account” on the bottom left of the WCHS Edline page and check “yes” for accepting emails and make sure the email listed is one that you would check regularly. Please check it daily for updates and announcements as well as all academy policies and requirements, information, and forms.

PLEASE KEEP THIS PAGE FOR YOUR RECORD

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Please ask an 8th grade teacher who knows you well to fill out this recommendation form.

TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

_____ is interested in participating in the Signature Program, The Academy of Creative and Performing Arts at Winston Churchill High School. Please rate this student on the following criteria:

Teacher _____ Subject _____
School _____

Initiative	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	NA
Teamwork	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	NA
Punctuality/ Attendance	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	NA
Communication Skills	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	NA
Follows Directions	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	NA
Attitude	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	NA
Overall Rating	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	NA

Comments: Please include any additional information about this student that you feel is pertinent on the reverse side of this form.

Please return this form to Mrs. Wendy Tilles at Winston Churchill High School ASAP.

Teacher's Signature _____



Proposed Four-Year Plan for

NAME _____

Date _____

***Mrs. Tilles is available for assistance in completing this form.**

Keep in mind that the required number of credits listed below is the *Maryland* graduation requirements.

Academy students need four (4) additional credits in their focus area beyond the state graduation requirements

	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
<u>English</u> 4 credits required	English Regular/Honors	English 10 Regular/Honors	English 11 Regular/Honors/AP	English 12 Regular/Honors/AP
<u>Social Studies</u> 3 credits required	U.S. History Regular/Honors/AP	National, State, Local Government (NSL) Regular/Honors/AP	Modern World History Regular/Honors/AP	
<u>Mathematics</u> 4 credits required				
<u>Science</u> 3 credits required				
<u>Fine Arts</u> 1 credit required All creative and performing arts classes should be listed here. →				
<u>Technology Education</u> 1 credit required				
<u>Physical Education</u> 1 credit required				
<u>Health Education</u> .5 credit required		Health Education (Must be taken during the 10 th grade during the school year or one of the surrounding summers.)		
<u>Foreign Language</u> OR <u>Advanced Technology</u> 2 credits required				

Applicant Name _____

ID Number _____ Grad. Year 2015

Prospective Member Information Form

It is important that our records have the correct and current information about you. Please complete this form (very neatly, please*) and submit to Mrs. Tilles in the Signature Program office with your application materials.

Applicant Email _____ Applicant Cell Phone # _____

Applicant Home Phone Number _____

Applicant Home Address _____

Parents'/Guardians' Names* [1] _____ [2] _____

* Please include any titles such as Dr., Captain, Judge, etc.

Parent/Guardian #1 Email _____

Parent/Guardian #1's Relation to Applicant _____

Parent/Guardian #1 *Best Daytime* Phone Number _____

Parent/Guardian #2 Email _____

Parent/Guardian #2's Relation to Applicant _____

Parent/Guardian #2 *Best Daytime* Phone Number _____

***Siblings that have been in the Signature Program:** _____



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The Signature Program office is located in room 132A, which is located between rooms 132 and 134. We are at the end of that mini-hallway. If no one is in the office, you may slip this form under the door, and we will retrieve it when we enter.