

Overall Magnet Eligibility Requirements by Programs:

Academy for Academics and Arts Elementary School

Prekindergarten through Fifth Grade

- Applicants for this program are strongly encouraged to have a love for or want to explore “the arts”.
- Students eligible for this program must reside in a neighborhood zoned for Huntsville City Schools.

The Academy for Science and Foreign Language Elementary School

Prekindergarten through Fifth Grade

- Applicants for this program are strongly encouraged to have a love for or want to explore STEM concepts as well as engage in 1-2 world languages.
- Students eligible for this program must reside in a neighborhood zoned for Huntsville City Schools.

Academy for Academics and Arts Middle School

Sixth through Eighth Grade

- Applicants for this program are strongly encouraged to have a love for “the arts”.
- Students eligible for this program must reside in a neighborhood zoned for Huntsville City Schools.
- Non-Current students applying for AAA Middle School will also need to participate in a second step- an audition. Student auditions will be held in front of a committee of individuals who will use the following rubric...[] Students who complete the audition process will be considered in the lottery selection if they receive a qualifying score (2-4) based on the committee review.

The Academy for Science and Foreign Language Middle School

Sixth through Eighth Grade

- Applicants for this program are strongly encouraged to have a love for STEM Education as well as engage in 1-2 world languages.
- Students eligible for this program must reside in a neighborhood zoned for Huntsville City Schools.
- Non-Current students applying for ASFL Middle School will also need to participate in a second step- completing an online writing sample. Online writing samples will be reviewed by a committee of individuals who will use the following rubric...[] Students who complete the online writing sample will be considered in the lottery selection if they receive a qualifying score (2-4) based on the committee review.

The Academy for Gifted and Talented at Williams Middle School

Sixth through Eighth Grade

- Applicants for this program must be identified gifted by Huntsville City Schools Gifted Program. If you are unsure if your student is identified gifted based on HCS qualifications please call 256-924-8966 to speak with the Gifted Programs personnel.
- Students interested in the AGT program should be highly motivated academically. This program requires robust academic skills.
- Students eligible for this program must reside in a neighborhood zoned for Huntsville City Schools.
- Students applying for AGT will also need to participate in a second step- completing an online writing sample. Online writing samples will be reviewed by a committee of individuals who will use the following rubric...[] Students who complete the online writing sample will be considered in the lottery selection if they receive a qualifying score (2-4) based on the committee review.
- Recommendations are also requested. Recommendation information will be provided as applications are completed. Recommendations are reviewed as a comprehensive look to determine student readiness.

Creative and Performing Arts Magnet at Lee High School

Ninth through Twelfth Grade

- Applicants for this program are strongly encouraged to have a love for “the arts”.
- Students eligible for this program must reside in a neighborhood zoned for Huntsville City Schools.
- Students applying for the Lee magnet program will also need to participate in a second step- an audition/interview. Student audition/interview will be held in front of a committee of individuals who will use the following rubric...[] Students who complete the audition process will be considered in the lottery selection if they receive a qualifying score (2-4) based on the committee review.
- Students must have a 70% or higher GPA in core subject areas from the previous school year prior to applying to the Lee Magnet program as well as a 70% or higher GPA in core subject areas during the current semester in which the application is being reviewed.

New Century Technology High School

Ninth through Twelfth Grade

- Applicants for this program are strongly encouraged to have a love for STEM Education particularly in the 3 strands of focus: Computer Science, Health Science, and Engineering.
- Students eligible for this program must reside in a neighborhood zoned for Huntsville City Schools.
- Students applying for New Century Technology High School will also need to participate in a second step- completing an online writing sample. Online writing samples will be reviewed by a committee of individuals who will use the following rubric...[] Students who complete the online writing sample will be considered in the lottery selection if they receive a qualifying score (2-4) based on the committee review.

- Students must have an 80% or higher GPA in core subject areas from the previous school year prior to applying to the Lee Magnet program as well as an 80% or higher GPA in core subject areas during the current semester in which the application is being reviewed.

The College Academy Program at Jemison High School

Ninth through Twelfth Grade

- Students applying for the College Academy can complete an application as early as 7th grade.
- Applicants interested in the College Academy program should be highly motivated academically and have strong study and organizational skills.
- Students eligible for this program must reside in a neighborhood zoned for Huntsville City Schools.
- Students applying for the College Academy will potentially participate in a 3-step process.
 - The online application (all interested in this program).
 - A second step- completing an online writing sample (all that completed the online application).
 - Online writing samples will be reviewed by a committee of individuals who will use the following rubric...[]
 - A comprehensive look at a student's overall GPA, quarterly and yearly test scores (ex. STAR Reading and Math or I-Ready Reading and Math, PreACT subject scores, and ACAP). See rubric.
 - Recommendations are also requested. Recommendation information will be provided as applications are completed. Recommendations are reviewed as a comprehensive look to determine student readiness.
 - A third step- completing an interview (for students who qualify from committee review of the second step).

Note: determination of who receives an invitation to move to the third step is based on student ranking. An average cut off score (overall 20 points) is derived based on information gathered from the current applicant pool. Students who move to the third step have an overall score that is the cut off score or higher (up to 20 points)