

Vista Magnet Middle School (VMMS) for Technology, Science & Math

ADMISSIONS PROCESS

for the
2009-2010 School Year

Application Period 1 – January 5 – March 6 (Casita Priority)

Application Period 2 – April 6 – May 4

Applications. Students wishing to attend VMMS must submit a completed application packet to the Principal's office. Applications submitted during the Applications Periods listed above have first priority, subject to the space limitations and priorities explained below. Students submitting applications after the Application Periods will be consider "late" and will be placed on a waiting list in the order in which they were received.

Allocation of Space. Approximately 200 6th grade students will be selected for the 2009-2010 school year. A total of 50 seats are reserved for each of the four Vista Unified School District middle school boundaries (Madison, Rancho Minerva, Roosevelt and Washington). Ten additional seats are reserved for out-of-district students, subject to space limitations.

Enrollment Priorities. In the event that applications exceed space during either of the Application Periods, students will be admitted in the following order of priority:

1. Siblings of existing VMMS students. An application submitted after the Application Periods will be treated like any other application. ("Siblings" are defined as a brother, sister, half brother, half sister, stepbrother or stepsister, living in the same household.)

2. Casita Elementary School students, only if the application is submitted during the first Application Period. An application submitted after the first Application Period will be treated like any other application.

Lottery. If applications exceed available space, as described above, a lottery will be conducted to determine placement. Numbers will be assigned to completed applications, and a computerized random selection program will be used to identify the applicants accepted for enrollment. Students not selected for enrollment will be placed on a waiting list. The order of placement on the waiting list will be determined by lottery.

If, after the Application Periods, the 50 reserved seats for each of the middle school boundaries are not filled through the process outlined above, VMMS will fill them by students on the waiting list, regardless of place of residency.