



## LMAAC Academy Application of Interest

Open enrollment begins Friday, October 1, 2021,  
and ends on Friday, December 3, 2021

- Complete all parts of the application of interest packet. Incomplete packets will not be processed and incorrect information will impact enrollment.
- Two proofs of residency. Acceptable examples: utility bill, driver license w/ current address, escrow papers, rental agreement, property tax bill. Only required for grades 7 and 8.
- Students not currently enrolled in a La Mesa-Spring Valley Schools will need to complete district registration forms upon preliminary acceptance into the Academy.
- Upon preliminary acceptance, students who currently attend other LMSV Schools or are new to the district will need to submit an Intra-district or Inter-district transfer if the Academy is not their home school. Transfers for the 2022-2023 school year can be turned in from February 1, 2022, through March 31, 2022. Transfers will be reviewed and students must meet transfer criteria for approval.
- Students with a 504 Plan must provide a copy of their plan with the application of interest packet.
- Students with an IEP must provide a copy of their plan with this application of interest packet. We take pride in the quality programs and services we provide throughout LMSV Schools. It is our responsibility to ensure quality and equity of services for students throughout the district and not compromise the quality of our programs or our commitment to excellence. Should services not be available at the Academy of desired enrollment, services can be provided at another school within our district.

The district's Special Education Department will review the IEP to verify availability of services prior to final approval of a student's enrollment at an Academy. Enrollment of all students on an IEP is pending approval by the La Mesa-Spring Valley Schools Special Education Department.

- Submit the application of interest packet and any other necessary documentation no earlier than October 1, 2021 and no later than 3:30 pm on December 3, 2021 to:

LA MESA ARTS ACADEMY  
4200 Parks Avenue, La Mesa, CA 91941

Please note: Our office will be closed for Fall Break Oct. 4-14, Veteran's Day Nov. 11-12, and for Thanksgiving Nov. 22-26.

- Upon receipt of the completed packet, a lottery number will be assigned.
- ENROLLMENT PACKET DEADLINE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2021 NO LATER THAN 3:30 PM.**



## **DRESS CODE**

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### **The dress code applies to all students at LMAAC.**

The La Mesa-Spring Valley School District is proud of its students and their accomplishments. Student appearance and dress should be a reflection of a serious learning environment. Appropriate dress and good grooming contribute to a positive atmosphere and promote student safety. Regulation 5132-R(1): Dress And Grooming La Mesa-Spring Valley School District

The following guidelines shall apply to all regular school activities:

- Clothing must cover areas from one armpit across to the other armpit, and extend in length to cover approximately 3 to 4 inches on the upper thighs.
- Tops must have shoulder straps.
- Rips or tears in clothing should be below 3 to 4 inches on the upper thighs as referenced above
- Undergarments must not be visible.
- Shoes must be worn at all times and should be safe for the school environment (pajamas, bedroom shoes, or slippers shall not be worn, except for school activities approved by the principal).
- See-through, mesh or skin-tight garments must not be worn without appropriate coverage underneath or on top that meet the minimum requirements of the dress code listed in item #1.
- Headgear, including hats, caps, hoodies, sunglasses, and other head coverings shall not be worn unless permitted for religious, medical sun protection or other reasons by school administration.
- Clothing and accessories that endanger student or staff safety may not be worn. Additionally, clothing, jewelry and personal items (backpacks, fanny packs, gym bags, water bottles, etc.):
  1. Must not depict, imply, advertise or advocate illegal, violent or lewd conduct, weapons, or the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or any other controlled substance.
  2. Must not depict or imply pornography, nudity, or sexual acts.
  3. Must not display or imply vulgar, discriminatory or obscene language or images.
  4. Must not state, imply or depict hate speech/imagery targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or any other protected classification.

The dress code shall be modified as appropriate to accommodate a student's religious or cultural observance, health condition, or other circumstance deemed necessary by the principal or designee. In addition, the principal or designee may impose dress requirements to accommodate the needs of special school activities, physical education classes, athletic activities, and other extracurricular and cocurricular activities.

No grade of a student participating in a physical education class shall be adversely affected if the student does not wear standardized physical education apparel because of circumstances beyond the student's control. (Education Code 49066)

Students shall be allowed to wear sun-protective clothing, including school appropriate hats, for outdoor use during the school day. (Education Code 35183.5)

Gang-Related Apparel: At individual schools that have a dress code prohibiting gang-related apparel at school or school activities, the principal, staff, and parents/guardians participating in the development of the school safety plan shall define "gang-related apparel" and shall limit this definition to apparel that reasonably could be determined to threaten the health and safety of the school environment if it were worn or displayed on a school campus. (Education Code 32282) Because gang-related symbols are constantly changing, definitions of gang-related apparel shall be reviewed at least once each semester and updated whenever related information is received. As necessary, the school shall collaborate with law enforcement agencies to update definitions of gang-related apparel.

We appreciate your follow-through in helping your child choose school appropriate clothing. If necessary, your child will be issued clean loaner clothes for the day. You will be notified of the dress code issue.

**See Appendix B**

### **ARTS COMMITMENT**

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LMAAC is a school for students who have a great interest in the arts. Students of all ability levels will have opportunities to sing, dance, perform, create, and experience new adventures. **If you do not have a true interest in the arts**, please know that the district offers a variety of other academy and middle school opportunities. We'd be very happy to answer questions and direct you to these other schools.

### **ELECTIVE CLASSES**

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Students will be given the opportunity to choose one elective course. The second placement may be scheduled by school personnel ensuring all students experience a variety of art forms. Support or Study Skills courses may replace an elective course if a student requires more academic support.

### **PERFORMER EXPECTATIONS**

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Student performers must meet the following criteria in order to participate in performances, rehearsals or other leadership class activities:

- Have passing grades in all classes: "C" or better is considered "above the line"
- Demonstrate responsible citizenship: "O", "G", or "S"
- Have no suspensions, including in-school suspensions, during the current grading period
- Have regular and punctual attendance
- Be in attendance the day of performances
- NOT be on the LOP list
- Must be caught up on schoolwork prior to missing class for rehearsals, performances, or other leadership activities
- Complete all classwork, homework, and assessments from classes they missed due to rehearsals, performances, and other leadership activities

Students and parents will be required to sign an agreement regarding the above expectations.

**I have read these policies and understand them.**

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Parent Signature

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Student Signature