



DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 9, 2018 DO NOT FAX FORMS NO LATE FORMS ACCEPTED

**VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR GIFTED MAGNET PROGRAMS AND SCHOOLS FOR ADVANCED STUDIES:
PRIVATE SCHOOL, INDEPENDENT CHARTER, AND NON-LAUSD APPLICANTS ONLY**

(All schools must be registered with the State of California)

STUDENT PROFILE:

Last Name		First Name		M.I.	Birthdate	<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F
NAME OF MAGNET SCHOOLS SELECTED (Print complete name of selected Magnet school.)							
1 st Choice		2 nd Choice		3 rd Choice			
NAME OF SCHOOLS FOR ADVANCED STUDIES (SAS) SITES SELECTED (Print complete name of selected SAS site.)							
1 st Choice		2 nd Choice		3 rd Choice			

PARENT/GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION: Form **MUST** be received by the deadline or the parent/guardian will be notified that the student is ineligible.
 - Parents must assure that the box below is signed and completed for form to be processed.
 - **Print Legibly.** Processing is dependent upon signature of authorization and complete and accurate information.
 - **Verification form must be current.** Select fields to enter information. Template should be saved and file renamed for use.

This request authorizes (Print complete name of current school of attendance.) _____ to release to the Los Angeles Unified School District the Verification of Eligibility for student to apply to Gifted Magnet Programs or Schools for Advanced Studies.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian's Name:		Home Address:					
City:		State:		Zip Code:		Home: ()	
Work: ()		Cell: ()		Email:			
Current Teacher's Name:						School Phone: ()	
Principal's Name (Print):							

SCHOOL VERIFICATION (FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL USE ONLY):

The named student has applied for a Gifted Magnet Program and/or Schools for Advanced Studies (SAS) site within the Los Angeles Unified School District.

- Please complete all necessary items on this form.
- Sign and return it in an official school envelope to: Unified Enrollment, P.O. Box 513307, Los Angeles, CA 90051. **OR**
- The form may be hand delivered to Unified Enrollment at the above address with the official school envelope sealed and principal's signature across the sealed side.

➤ **To qualify for Gifted Magnet Programs and/or SAS sites, applicants must meet ONE of the following criteria as of November 9, 2018 (see page 2 for definition of criteria). Complete ONE section only.**

A.	Must be identified as gifted prior to the deadline by an LAUSD designated GATE psychologist: Tested at _____ Approximate date of test _____ Eligibility: <input type="checkbox"/> Intellectual <input type="checkbox"/> Highly Gifted Applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Highly Gifted <input type="checkbox"/> High Achievement <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Academic _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Creative <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK HERE IF IDENTIFIED BY LAUSD
	OR B. Must have scored in the "Standard Exceeded" range on the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) in both ELA and Math or have total national percentile scores of 85% or above on current District-approved standardized achievement tests. - Please attach a COPY of the 2017–2018 test scores and complete appropriate section. - Indicate student's grade level being reported _____ and indicate percentile below: 1. SBAC (2017–2018): English Language Arts (ELA)/Literacy: _____ AND Math: _____ . OR 2. OLSAT-8 (2017–2018): APR Total _____ or APR Verbal _____ AND APR Non-Verbal _____ . OR 3. Name of Test: _____ Total Reading: _____ or ELA Total: _____ AND Total Math: _____ . OR Reading Composite: _____ AND Math Composite: _____ . OR Verbal Reasoning: _____ AND Quantitative Reasoning: _____	COMPLETE Appropriately <input type="checkbox"/> Test scores are attached. <input type="checkbox"/> Test scores are not available. Initial: _____
OR C.	Must demonstrate mastery of ALL FOUR of the following critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Must also demonstrate the ability or strong potential to work two years above grade level in academic subjects. (SAS Kindergarten Readiness Checklist required for incoming kindergarten applicants.)	CHECK 4 PLEASE CHECK ALL
	Explain meanings or relationships among facts, information, or concepts that demonstrate depth and complexity.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Formulate new ideas or solutions and elaborate on the information.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Use alternative methods in approaching new or unfamiliar mathematical problems.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
	Use extensive vocabulary easily and accurately to express creative ideas.	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

I certify that the Verification of Eligibility was completed by certificated school personnel.

➤ **Signature of Verifier** _____ **Title** _____ **Date** _____

Principal's Name _____ **Signature** _____ **Date** _____

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: Submit pages 1 (this page) and 2 (next page) to school and request that the school mail page 1 (this page) ONLY.

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Eligible
 A. Intellectual HGA HG Creative Leadership HA SA: _____ B. SBAC Percentile Scores OLSAT C. Critical Thinking Criteria
 Ineligible: _____

CURRENT GRADE

FIRST NAME

LAST NAME

**DEFINITION OF CRITERIA FOR APPLICANTS APPLYING TO THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
GIFTED MAGNET PROGRAM OR SCHOOLS FOR ADVANCED STUDIES (SAS)**

- I. **Gifted Magnet Program and SAS Sites:** Serve students who demonstrate the ability or strong potential to work two years above grade level in academic subjects. These programs offer enriched interdisciplinary academic environments that are exciting, challenging, and encourage students to use creative/critical thinking skills.
- II. **Applicable Grades:** For Gifted Magnet Programs, students currently in grades kindergarten to eleven must qualify under **ONE** of the criteria below by **November 9, 2018**. For SAS sites, students currently in grades PreK/TK to eleven must qualify under **ONE** of the criteria below by **November 9, 2018**. Consideration **MUST** also be given to students whose primary language is other than English.

Documentation to prove verification or non-verification must be kept on file at the sending school site for five years.

<p>A. Must be identified as gifted <u>prior to the deadline</u> by an LAUSD designated GATE psychologist. (Student must attend LAUSD schools to be assessed.) OR</p>	<p>The student must be in the MISIS system of LAUSD or have GATE documentation at the school site, and the LAUSD designated GATE psychologist must have determined eligibility as gifted in the Intellectual, High Achievement (HA), Specific Academic (SA), Creative, or Leadership Ability category by the deadline of November 9, 2018. This criterion does not include students on waiting lists to be tested or students whom school personnel "feel" are potentially gifted.</p>
<p>B. Must have scored in the “Standard Exceeded” range on the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) in both ELA and Math or have total national percentile scores of 85% or above on current District-approved standardized achievement tests. OR</p>	<p>These scores are based on the most recent District-approved standardized achievement tests given. These are the total national percentile scores in both reading and mathematics (no other report or document should be included):</p> <p>1. Report 2017–2018 SBAC assessment score in English Language Arts/Literacy and Math OR</p> <p>2. Report 2017–2018 scores from OLSAT-8 in: APR total or APR Verbal and APR Non-Verbal OR</p> <p>3. Report name of current test administered and report percentile in: Total Reading or ELA and Total Math OR Reading Composite and Math Composite OR Verbal Reasoning and Quantitative Reasoning</p>
<p>C. Must demonstrate mastery in ALL FOUR of the following critical thinking and problem-solving skills and demonstrate the ability or strong potential to work two years above grade level in academic subjects by November 9, 2018; student's ability must not be anticipated beyond this date. Examples of possible student behaviors which demonstrate the characteristics follow each criterion. These characteristics must be expressed or documented by a portfolio which may contain the following examples: writing samples that showcase extensive vocabulary, annotations of class activities and discussions/journals, logs, assignments and projects that demonstrate depth and complexity, etc. Incoming kindergarten applicants to Schools for Advanced Studies must <u>also</u> submit the SAS Kindergarten Readiness Checklist to validate this criterion.</p>	
<p>1. Explain meanings or relationships among facts, information, or concepts that demonstrate depth and complexity.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Analyzes similarities and differences in events, people, and things. - Displays high level observation skills that frequently detect fallacies and inconsistencies. - Grasps new concepts easily; moves rapidly from familiar (concrete) to unfamiliar (abstract). - Sees hidden meanings or cause-and-effect relationships that are not obvious. - Analyzes and evaluates respective solutions from multiple points of view.
<p>2. Formulate new ideas or solutions and elaborate on the information.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plans unique projects by integrating learning from different areas. - Produces detailed steps of a solution and sound reasons for them. - Invents solutions to established problems; creates problems for which there are no apparent solutions. - Approaches tasks in different, unusual, and original ways.
<p>3. Use alternative methods in approaching new or unfamiliar mathematical problems.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Locates, selects, and uses relevant information and material. - Gives examples of possible outcomes; makes “educated guesses.” - Thinks of and asks provocative questions which involve logical thinking processes. - Uses standard math processes and proficiencies such as problem-solving, abstract reasoning, constructing viable arguments, etc. - Changes word problems into mathematical terms or formulas.
<p>4. Use extensive vocabulary easily and accurately to express creative ideas.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrates a vivid imagination in a variety of products. - Shows unusual ability to express self, feelings, concepts, etc. - Plans and selects alternative means to demonstrate creative ideas. - Demonstrates fluent, concise, and creative self-expression. - Uses a large vocabulary in primary language. - Shows ability to “code switch” and uses language appropriate to specific disciplines, situations, and audiences.

APPLICANTS TO GIFTED MAGNET PROGRAMS

PARENT INSTRUCTIONS

- Private school, independent charter, and non-LAUSD applicants must obtain verification of eligibility from their school of attendance
- The following Gifted Magnet Centers require verification:
 - ELEMENTARY (Grades 1–5)** — 74th St., Alta California (Gr. 2–5), Ambler, Balboa, Baldwin Hills, Braddock (Gr. 2–5), Burbank (Gr. 2–5), Canterbury, Commonwealth (Gr. 2–5), Cowan (Gr. 1–6), Eagle Rock (Gr. 2–6), Euclid, Kester, Multnomah (Gr. 2–5), Park Western Math/Science, Russell (Gr. 2–6), Sunland (Gr. 2–5), Vena (Gr. 2–5), Welby Way, Wonderland (Gr. 3–5)
 - MIDDLE SCHOOLS (Grades 6–8)** — Adams, Audubon, Bancroft, Burroughs, Dodson, Drew (Gr. 7–8), El Sereno, Hale (Gr. 6–7), King, Lawrence, Mount Gleason, Nightingale, Palms, Peary, Porter, Romer, Sepulveda, Stevenson, Wright
 - HIGH SCHOOLS (Grades 9–12)** — Bell, Eagle Rock (Gr. 7–12), Kennedy, Marshall, Taft (Gr. 9–10), San Pedro (Gr. 9–11), Science Academy (Gr. 6–12), Westchester

APPLICANTS TO HIGHLY GIFTED MAGNET PROGRAMS

Must have (on file with LAUSD before the deadline) the score on an Intellectual Ability assessment administered by an LAUSD designated GATE psychologist as follows:

- A score of 99.9% as **Highly Gifted (HG)** or
- A score of 99.5%–99.8% as **Highly Gifted Applicable (HGA)**
- The following Highly Gifted Magnet Centers require identification:
 - ELEMENTARY** — Eagle Rock Highly Gifted (Gr. 3–6) & San Jose Highly Gifted (Gr. 2–5)
 - MIDDLE SCHOOL** — Portola Highly Gifted (Gr. 6–8)
 - HIGH SCHOOL** — North Hollywood Highly Gifted (Gr. 9–12)

APPLICANTS TO SCHOOLS FOR ADVANCED STUDIES (SAS)

- Private school, independent charter, and non-LAUSD applicants must obtain verification of eligibility from their school of attendance
- For a list of current Schools for Advanced Studies (SAS) sites (Grades K–12), refer to the 2019-2020 Choices brochure or eChoices.lausd.net
- Affiliated charter SAS sites do NOT participate in the Choices application and verification process; contact the charter SAS site directly for enrollment procedures

LAUSD Applicants: Verification forms are **not** required for students currently enrolled in LAUSD (except LAUSD independent charter schools). Upon receipt of the Choices application, the District automatically verifies eligibility through District school records and the District's online verification process. Parents/guardians must make sure student qualifies **before submitting application**.

Private School/Independent Charter/Non-LAUSD Applicants: The *Verification of Eligibility* form is required for Gifted Magnet Programs and SAS sites. Additionally, incoming kindergarten applicants to SAS must complete the *SAS Kindergarten Readiness Checklist*.

Parents/guardians may call (213) 241-8361 before applying to a Gifted Magnet, Highly Gifted Magnet, or SAS site to check LAUSD records for eligibility. Your choice of a Gifted Magnet, Highly Gifted Magnet, or SAS site will be removed from the selection process if eligibility criteria are not met by the deadline.

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S RESPONSIBILITY

The parents/guardians of private school, independent charter, and non-LAUSD students who are applying to a Gifted Magnet Program or a Schools for Advanced Studies site must follow the procedures below. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to verify that the student's current school of attendance has submitted all required verification forms by **Friday, November 9, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.** For an applicant, previously identified as gifted by an LAUSD designated GATE psychologist, who is currently attending a private school, independent charter, or non-LAUSD school, the parent/guardian must also submit this form to confirm that the applicant is included in the District database. ALL private school, independent charter, and non-LAUSD student applicants must follow the procedures below:

Requesting Verification from the Current School of Attendance:

Option 1:

- Visit eChoices.lausd.net to download the *Verification of Eligibility* form (two pages) and *SAS Kindergarten Readiness Checklist*, if applicable.
- Complete the student and parent information sections, sign and date.
- Hand deliver or mail the applicable form(s) to the student's current school of attendance, giving the school permission to complete all required sections.

Option 2:

- Call the Choices Support Line at (213) 241-4177 to request that the *Verification of Eligibility* form and *SAS Kindergarten Readiness Checklist*, if applicable, are sent to the child's current school. Please have the current school name, address, and phone number available.

Submitting Verification Forms:

- Once the *Verification of Eligibility* and *SAS Kindergarten Readiness Checklist*, if applicable, have been completed by the school of attendance, parents/guardians or school site personnel must submit the completed and signed form(s) by Friday, November 9, 2018. The *Verification of Eligibility* and *SAS Kindergarten Readiness Checklist*, if applicable, must be submitted in a sealed official school envelope with the principal's signature across the sealed side. (Do not submit either form with the application.) **Late forms will not be accepted.**

U.S. Mail: Unified Enrollment, P.O. Box 513307, Los Angeles, CA 90051 **OR**

Hand Deliver: L.A. Unified Headquarters/Unified Enrollment, 25th floor reception desk, 333 S. Beaudry Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90017

NOTE: Prior to the deadline of Friday, November 9, 2018, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to call the Choices Support Line at (213) 241-4177 to confirm receipt of the completed forms (*Verification of Eligibility* and *SAS Kindergarten Readiness Checklist*, if applicable). Parents/guardians will not automatically be notified when forms are received.

DISCLAIMER

- I understand that I must provide the appropriate documentation for my child to attend a Gifted Magnet, Highly Gifted Magnet, or SAS site or my choice of these programs will be removed from the selection process.
- I understand that re-verification is required upon matriculation to the next school level (i.e., from elementary to secondary).
- I understand that my child must reside within LAUSD boundaries at the time of application and while participating in the program.
- I understand that LAUSD is not responsible for lost applications or verification forms.