GIFTED/HIGHLY GIFTED MAGNET CRITERIA ALL LAUSD APPLICANTS

REQUIRED CRITERIA FOR THE GIFTED MAGNET PROGRAM WHEN APPLYING TO A GIFTED MAGNET CENTER, APPLICANTS MUST:

- 1) Be identified as gifted in the Intellectual, High Achievement or Specific Academic Ability Category OR be verified as eligible to apply by the school of attendance. Refer to Gifted Magnet Criteria below.
- 2) If not identified as gifted, be re-verified if student is a matriculating 5th, 6th or 8th grade applicant who has completed elementary or middle school. The current school of attendance is required to reverify the student to determine eligibility to continue in a Gifted Magnet program.
- 3) Adhere to the recommendation submitted and signed by the principal of the current school of attendance.
- 4) Reside within the LAUSD boundaries at the time of application and while participating in the Magnet program. Gifted Magnet Criteria

Gifted Magnet Centers offer enriched interdisciplinary academic environments that are exciting, challenging and encourage students to use creative/critical thinking skills. Gifted Magnets serve students who demonstrate ability or strong potential to work two years above grade level in academic subjects, and meet ONE of the criteria listed below.

LAUSD APPLICANTS (CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN AN LAUSD SCHOOL)

1 Submit a Choices Application

- 1. a Apply on-line at eChoices.lausd.net OR
- 2. b Complete and submit a paper Choices Application.

Choices brochures/applications are available at all

LAUSD schools, Local District Offices, LAUSD Headquarters, Parent and Community Services Branch (PCS) and Los Angeles City Libraries.

2. Verification forms are NOT required for the students currently

enrolled in an LAUSD school. Upon receipt of the Magnet application, the District will automatically verify eligibility through District school records

SAS (School for Advanced Studies) Student Permit Application and Criteria

SAS STUDENT PERMIT APPLICATION

SAS demonstration sites receive the SAS designation for their exemplary Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) implementation. By providing high-quality differentiated instruction with an emphasis on depth, complexity, acceleration and novelty, SAS sites offer high-level academic gifted/talented programs that meet the unique educational needs of K-12 gifted learners, identified in the Intellectual, High Achievement, Specific Academic, Creative and Leadership Ability categories or verified based on critical thinking/achievement.

Students who meet eligibility criteria and who reside within the LAUSD boundaries may apply for an SAS student permit to attend a designated Schools for Advanced Studies site. **Transportation services are not provided.** SAS student permit applications may be obtained at the local school or may be downloaded from this webpage by clicking on the links below.

SAS Student Permit Application and Timeline DO NOT APPLY TO:

1.Qualified resident students: Qualified resident students must be accommodated in the site's SAS gifted/talented program *before* any non-resident SAS permits are granted by the school. No application is

required, since SAS is the GATE instructional program for resident students. Contact the SAS site directly for more information.

2. The SAS student permit application is submitted directly to the SAS school(s) of choice during the application period. It must be completed and signed by the parent/guardian and the principal/designee of the school of attendance before submitting it to the SAS school(s) of choice. Parents may submit a student permit application to more than one SAS site, however, a separate application is required for each site. SAS schools may be contacted directly to inquire about space availability for non-resident (SAS permit) applicants and program description. Ask to speak to the GATE/SAS coordinator or school administrator.

SAS Student Permit Application Deadline: March 23, 2018 Deadline to Notify Parents/Guardians: April 13, 2018 Parent Confirmation of Attendance Deadline: May 4, 2018

Admittance is as follows (does not apply to affiliated charters): **First priority:** Qualifying students who reside within school boundaries must be accommodated first since SAS is the GATE instructional program for resident students (no SAS permit application is required).

Second priority: Qualifying students who reside outside school boundaries, but within LAUSD boundaries (SAS permit application is required). Eligible applicants are selected by lottery at the close of the application period to fill available seats. The only qualifying criteria that may be considered are official District criteria.

Applicants must meet one of three eligibility criteria:

1) Students identified as gifted/talented in LAUSD in the

Intellectual, High Achievement, Specific Academic, Creative, or Leadership Ability Category.

2) Students who scored in the Standard Exceeded range on

the SBAC assessment or have TOTAL **national** scores of 85% or above on a District-approved standardized achievement test (e.g., OLSAT-8) in required areas (**most recent year only**).

3) Students who demonstrate mastery of ALL FOUR of the

critical-thinking and problem-solving skills in their primary language (must check "yes" for all four skills for the student to qualify with this criterion.

- Explain meanings or relationships among facts, information or concepts that demonstrate depth and complexity.
- Formulate new ideas or solutions and elaborate on the information.
- Use alternative methods in approaching new or unfamiliar mathematical problems.
- Use extensive vocabulary easily and accurately to express creative ideas.

Applicants verified through the four critical-thinking and problemsolving skills must also demonstrate the ability *or strong potential* to work two years above grade level in academic subjects.

NOTE:

All SAS eligibility criteria carry equal weight in the selection/placement process (i.e., SAS sites may not give priority placement to students identified as gifted/highly gifted or those who meet test score criteria). SAS sites may not request supplemental evidence for applicants other than K-1 students. Evidence must be kept on file at sending school (subject to audits).