# **Application for Admission**



# Kindergarten thru Eighth Grade

*First Impressions Academy provides a loving, learning environment coupled with superior educators to prepare students for social and academic excellence.* 

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Dear Prospective Parent,

Thank you for your interest in First Impressions Academy. It is our mission to promote the growth of your child not only academically but socially and behaviorally as well. School is the place where your child will be spending a lot of their time. As a staff we come together to build great character in our students; by promoting respect, responsibility, and good judgement we are creating a happy and comfortable community for your child to learn in.

First Impressions combines small class sizes along with experienced, certified educators that have a talent for teaching and a passion for education. We use differentiated instruction to guarantee that each child is being taught at their level. A well thought out, structured learning environment has been constructed to invite students to learn at their own pace. Goals and objectives are tiered; and we use an assortment of curriculum to ensure progress in each subject area. Arrays of assessments are implemented to measure growth daily. The FIA staff takes pride in our parent communication and collaboration; we promote participation and value the educational partnership that is shared while your child attends FIA.

Our passionate teachers and staff work hard to carry out our mission. We do this by instilling confidence in our students and building on their strengths. The family environment that FIA creates gives the children a sense of comfort and security. We want our students to have a positive image of school, and view education as a success in their lives. Good character traits are practiced and instilled; and our zero-tolerance policy makes for a peaceful, and happy educational experience.

Thank you again for your consideration of our school. We understand how vital and important the choice you make will be in deciding where your student will attend school. It is our desire to provide the information and support needed to assist you in this process.

Respectfully,

**Christy Pettit** 

Director

Application Fee paid by: Cash Check#\_\_\_\_\_

M.O.\_\_\_\_

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Date:

## HOW TO APPLY

### **Admission Policy & Procedure**

First Impressions Academy (FIA) admits students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students of the school. FIA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national, religious and ethnic origin, the administration of its educational policies, enrollment policies, scholarships, and other school-administered programs. FIA reserves the privilege of setting and maintaining our own standards of student conduct, dress, tuition, fees for services and scholarships. FIA reserves the right to refuse admission or to dismiss anyone who violates the school's standards set forth in the Parent/Student handbook or as defined by the school board and or administration. FIA also reserves the right to change any policy as deemed necessary with or without notice.

FIA is committed to providing the best possible education for every child accepted in our program. The admissions process consists of collecting and receiving an application, previous school records, teacher recommendations, interviews, assessing the needs of the student, and willingness of the family to partner with the school's mission and vision. Please use the admissions process checklist to ensure that all necessary information is collected.

#### **Entrance Requirements**

There is a \$75 application fee due with the application and is non-refundable. Students K-8<sup>th</sup> grades seeking admission to FIA are required to attend school for a shadow day and take an entrance exam to determine proper grade placement. Administration may accept recent standardized test scores from another school or psychologist if available. It will generally be necessary for a student to score on or above the grade level being requested. Entrance testing is administered by the director. Students who are applying for our Kindergarten program should be turning 5 years old on or before August 31<sup>st</sup>. A teacher recommendation form is also required to be handed in with your packet and must be filled out by the most recent teacher from your previous school.

## WHAT'S NEXT?

After the application is processed, and the fee is paid, the parents/guardians will be contacted by the Admissions office to schedule an interview with the prospective family and student(s) to finalize the process and administer the entrance exam. This interview is also an opportunity for us to hear your family's goals and to evaluate how we can best serve your student(s). The director will review the application, test scores, transcripts (if applicable) and interview information. Once accepted, the applicant must make an appointment to register in order to hold their prospective slot. The office will issue a welcome packet with any other information needed pertaining to enrollment.

#### A student will be officially enrolled and given a class assignment:

- ✓ After he/she is accepted
- ✓ After the annual curriculum fee of \$600 has been paid
- ✓ After the first month's tuition has been paid

We look forward to meeting your family and are here to guide you in your choice for a private education.

## ADMISSIONS PROCESS CHECKLIST

Listed below are the required steps for admission into First Impressions Academy. A student will not be officially enrolled until all necessary documents have been received. Interested families are to submit a completed application for consideration. The following steps are listed for your review:

- ✓ Call the school to schedule a tour of FIA or inquire online at www.fiaprepschools.com
- ✓ Complete and sign an application for each child applying- both parents must sign (if applicable)
- ✓ Return application with cash, check or money order for \$75 for the application fee or by online invoice.
- ✓ Return completed Teacher recommendation form from previous school via sealed envelope or by the teacher via email or snail mail. They will not be accepted from the parent.
- Once the initial application process has been accepted, the school will schedule your student's shadow day and/or entrance exam. (Keep in mind that this is only if there is a potential slot).
- ✓ Previous report cards (if applicable & requested) at least 2 previous years and/or recent standardized test: (3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders)
- ✓ After your application is processed and shadow day and/or entrance exam has been administered and accepted, the admissions office will schedule your registration appointment.
- Once accepted and enrolled, All new kindergarteners and incoming 7<sup>th</sup> graders must have a Health Assessment form completed and returned before the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school.
- ✓ Initial fees- Once accepted by admin, your student will be officially enrolled and given a class assignment after the annual curriculum fee of \$600 has been paid and a postdated check for the first month's tuition is handed in with registration papers.
- After registration has been completed, we will need the following documents for your student's file: Official copy of birth certificate & Updated immunization records- children 12 years or older must provide documentation showing DTAP immunization within the past four years.

\*Please be sure to follow these guidelines to avoid delays in the application process. \*

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Registration Application First Impressions Academy

2024/25 Grade School Form

| Child's Name  | Age  | DOB                   | Sex          |    |
|---|--|-----------------------|--------------|----|
| Mother's Name   |  |                       |              |    |
|   |  |                       |              |    |
| Father's Name   | Occupation _                               |                       | -            |    |
| Address   |  |                       | -            |    |
| Phone Number Email _  |  |                       | -            |    |
| *Thank you for your interest in FIA. Our school students. To ensure that we are able to meet and socially), we only allow one child with a de Has your child ever attended school before? | the needs of all of<br>liagnosis, IEP, 504 | our student (behavior | ally, acader |    |
| Previous School's Name  |  |                       |              |    |
| City State  |  | <br>Phone #           |              |    |
| How long did your child attend this school?   |  |                       |              |    |
| Why did you choose to leave this school?  |  |                       |              |    |
| Does your child have any special needs? Y<br>(Please check all that apply)  | Ν  |                       |              |    |
| IEP Speech Behavior PlanAc  | ademically delaye                          | d                     |              |    |
| Academically Advanced (testing is needed t  | to support this find                       | ling)                 |              |    |
| ADD/ADHDAutism/Spectrum Othe  | r: Diagnosis                               |                       |              |    |
| Has your child ever been expelled from a prev   | ious school, to incl                       | ude daycare?          | Yes          | No |
| Has your child ever been recommended for te   | sting by a teacher,                        | instructor, or coach? | Yes          | No |
| Do you have any concerns for your child?<br>If yes, what concerns?  |  |                       | Yes          | No |
| Does your child receive speech or OT services   | ?  |                       | Yes          | No |
| If no, have they in the past?   |  |                       | Yes          | No |

\*Please note that if questions are answered untruthfully, FIA has the right to terminate registration without a refund of registration fees or tuition. We ask these questions to ensure that FIA is equipped to handle all needs of our students in order for them to be successful.

Initials

During parent teacher conferences, has the teacher mentioned that your child has trouble with any of the following:

| Focusing?             | Yes | No |
|-----------------------|-----|----|
| Being kind to others? | Yes | No |
| Following Directions? | Yes | No |
| Being Disruptive?     | Yes | No |

Is FIA your first school of choice? Yes No

Please explain why?

#### Please initial that you agree with the following statements:

I answered the questions on this application honestly \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that once I enroll my child at FIA, I am committed to the school year's tuition, regardless of military orders or relocation. After enrolling, if FIA staff realizes that any answer in the questionnaire was answered dishonestly, FIA reserves the right to terminate enrollment and I will still be held responsible for the contracted tuition balance.

## Please initial below that you understand the commitment that comes along with belonging to our private school as well as being a FIA family.

I understand that FIA works as a team, we respect each other and the policies that are in place. I understand that I must sign that I received a copy of the policies and that this means that I not only read them, but I understand that I must follow them. FIA provides and stands by their commitment to teach your child and offer them a variety of experiences that will positively shape who they are and their future. We expect that when we welcome you into our family that you too follow your commitment as a parent. Tuition is also part of my commitment; paying tuition in full and on time enables FIA to employ the amazing staff that they have and to upkeep their beautiful school, as well as keep updated materials in place to educate my child/children. FIA has an open-door policy where I can come into the office and speak with administration at a time that is convenient for all parties; my child's teacher also offers meetings upon request; I can call, email, or meet with admin by appointment, and she will address any issues, questions, or concerns that I have. I have read the policies to include tuition, attendance, and dress code; I understand that by applying to FIA I am promising to follow these policies. \*Please initial that you understand the commitment that comes along with belonging to our private school as well as being a FIA family.

|                               |        | form can be scanned and emailed back to:<br>firstimpressions@rocketmail.com |  |      |       |
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| Print:                        |        | -   |  |      |       |
| Sign:                         |        | Date_   |  |      |       |
| Application Fee paid by: Cash | Check# | M.O   |  | Card | Date: |