



## COLUMBIA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL

### International Student Application for Admission

Columbia Independent School  
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#### Admissions Office

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#### OUR MISSION

To guide students in the pursuit of excellence through academic, physical, and creative achievement with a commitment to integrity, trust and responsibility; and to encourage students to realize the joy of living through personal achievement and service to others in preparation for higher learning and community life.

#### INTRODUCTION

Columbia Independent School believe education is meant to be a personalized experience, therefore, the following application is designed to provide the admissions committee with a well-rounded perspective of each student who applies to our school.

Should you have any questions as you go through the admissions process, please contact our admissions office.

#### ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST

- Application for Admission including \$150 application fee
- Form 1: Request for Copies of School Records
- Form 2: Statement of Financial Support
- Form 3: Lower School Teacher Evaluation (JK-5<sup>th</sup> grade applicants only)
- Form 4: English Teacher Evaluation (6-12<sup>th</sup> grade applicants only)
- Form 5: Math Teacher Evaluation (6-12<sup>th</sup> grade applicants only)
- Photo of Applicant
- Official School Records Received by CIS

#### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Official TOEFL iBT score (Test of English as a Foreign Language, internet-based test) for 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade applicants. This score must be sent directly from ETS to CIS. Information about the TOEFL iBT can be found at [toefl.org](http://toefl.org). CIS's TOEFL iBT school code is 1639.
- Once CIS has received the student's application, forms, and scores, the admissions office will contact the family to schedule an interview with the applicant. While a Skype interview is sufficient, an on-site half-day visit and interview is preferable.

# APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

## FAMILY INFORMATION

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
(as it appears on legal documents)      FIRST NAME      MIDDLE NAME      LAST/FAMILY NAME

Preferred Name \_\_\_\_\_  Male     Female

The application is for grade \_\_\_\_\_ for school year 20\_\_\_\_ - 20\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Does this student have a valid passport?  Yes  No  
 If yes, attach a copy of the passport to the application.

Does this student have a valid visa?  Yes  No  
 If yes, what is the visa category (ex. F-2)? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please attach a copy of the visa to the application

**Name of parent(s) or guardian(s):**

Dr.  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.

Dr.  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S LEGAL NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
EMPLOYER/BUSINESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
OCCUPATION      POSITION

\_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICE PHONE      E-MAIL ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S LEGAL NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
EMPLOYER/BUSINESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
OCCUPATION      POSITION

\_\_\_\_\_  
OFFICE PHONE      E-MAIL ADDRESS

**Please check all that apply:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 'Rctgpw'Ugr ctcvgf " | <input type="checkbox"/> 'Hvj gt'F gegcugf                     | <input type="checkbox"/> 'Mother'F gegcugf                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 'Rctgpw'F kxqtegf    | <input type="checkbox"/> 'Cr r rkecpv'Nkxgu'y kj 'Hvj gt'***** | <input type="checkbox"/> 'Cr r rkecpv'Nkxgu'y kj 'Mother'***** |
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If the applicant does not live with both parents, please provide the name and address of the parent who does not live with the applicant:

Dr.  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S LEGAL NAME      \_\_\_\_\_  
HOME PHONE NUMBER

\_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS      CITY      PROVINCE      POSTAL CODE      COUNTRY

**Please list all of the applicant's siblings:**

Name	Date of Birth	Grade	School Attending	Check if student does/did attend CIS

**CIS Admissions Policy**

Columbia Independent School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin, and sexual orientation to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. CIS does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin, or sexual orientation in the administration of its educational and admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and in-school or extracurricular activities.

## EDUCATION

Name of current school \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Attendance \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

HEAD OF SCHOOL OR PRINCIPAL \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL'S PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher/Counselor who best knows the applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_ POSITION \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER'S ADDRESS (IF NOT SCHOOL ADDRESS) \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ PROVINCE \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Schools Attended (If more space is necessary, you may use the back of this page):

School	Grades	Dates of Attendance	Address

## REFERENCES

Please give two personal references to whom we may write and/or call for information about your son/daughter (e.g., prior classroom teacher, preschool teacher, school counselor). Please do not use your son's/daughter's current teacher as a reference.

Reference 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
LEGAL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ POSITION \_\_\_\_\_

REFERENCE'S STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ PROVINCE \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

REFERENCE'S PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ REFERENCE'S E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Reference 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
LEGAL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ POSITION \_\_\_\_\_

REFERENCE'S ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ PROVINCE \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_

REFERENCE'S PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ REFERENCE'S E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN QUESTIONS

**Please answer the following questions completely and candidly. The information provided aids the Admissions Committee in determining whether or not Columbia Independent School can meet your child's needs.**

Please describe your child's special interests or skills.

Please describe the type of setting in which your child learns best.

Please describe your child's academic strengths and weaknesses.

Has your child received any assistance in the form of special education programming, including gifted and/or talented, behavioral intervention, or English as a Second Language instruction? If yes, please explain.

Does your child have any health irregularities, allergies, or educational challenges that might interfere with admission testing or normal classroom and/or physical education activities? If yes, please explain.

Please tell us why you are interested in enrolling your child at Columbia Independent School.

Please describe how your child will cope with living and studying away from home.

If your child is admitted to Columbia Independent School, with whom will he/she live?

Dr.  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.

Dr.  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.

\_\_\_\_\_  
HOST'S LEGAL NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
HOST'S LEGAL NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY STATE ZIP

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY STATE ZIP

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OCCUPATION TITLE

\_\_\_\_\_  
OCCUPATION TITLE

How do you know this person and/or family?

***The application for admission, applicable forms, and other admissions checklist items are required before CIS can begin the application process (checks should be written to Columbia Independent School). Teacher evaluation forms can be given directly to the applicant's teacher(s), but the teacher(s) must submit the form directly to Columbia Independent School. Upon receipt of all admissions checklist items, the director of admissions will contact you to arrange the interview. Applicants for grades 6-12 must also take the entrance exam and grades 9-12 must take the TOEFL iBT.***

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**All materials submitted in support of an application for admission become the property of Columbia Independent School. Application materials are confidential and will not be released. Please contact the CIS Admissions Office for further information at (573) 777-9257.**

***NOTE: The following section is to be completed by Middle and Upper School (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) applicants only.***

## **MIDDLE AND UPPER SCHOOL STUDENT QUESTIONS**

**The prospective student should answer the following questions. The information provided assists the Admissions Committee in gaining a better understanding of the student.**

Aside from improving your English skills and learning about American culture, please explain why you are interested in going to school at CIS.

Living away from home with a host family while learning a new language could be difficult. Explain why you think you can handle this situation.

Describe any travel experiences you have had outside of your own country.

What are your goals after you finish high school?

Think about a person whom you admire (parent, relative, friend, athlete, famous person from history, character in a book, etc.). Please describe what you admire about that person and why.

Describe a personal challenge you have overcome or a personal accomplishment. How did you overcome the challenge or achieve the accomplishment?