CPSA Guidelines on New Student Applications

*Application of new students can be submitted online,
from Monday January 13th, 2025, until Sunday February 16th, 2025*

All applications of new students shall be submitted online with all required documents and the associated application fees.

- Copy of student birth certificate.
- Report cards/Transcript for the most recent two years for grades 2 and up.
- Report cards/Transcript for the most recent year for 1st grade.
- Standardized test results for the past two years such as: IOWA, MAP, Pre-ACT, Pre-SAT, etc.
- Letter of good standing from the previous school (behavior and attendance).
- Documented IEP, 504 plans, or any IEP referrals/accommodations from the previous school.
- At time of registration, proof of legal residence and the required Health Forms must be submitted.

- Applications submitted in prior years will not be considered.
- Applications will no longer be considered on a first-come first serve basis.
- All applications received by the deadline of February 16th, 2025, will be reviewed.

PK4 and KG Applicants:

CPSA is enrolling students eligible for PK4 only. Starting from February 17th, 2025, PK4 and KG students would be tested to determine if they meet CPSA criteria for admission as shown in Appendix-A. The qualified students would be admitted *during the month of March 2025* depending on the available seats.

Grade 1 to Grade 11 Applicants:

All applications received by the deadline of February 16, 2025, would be reviewed and testing would be scheduled during the months of February and March 2025. The qualified students would be offered admission *starting from April 14th 2025,* depending on the available seats.

Please note that taking and passing the placement/entrance test does not guarantee admission to CPSA. It all depends on available seats.

APPENDIX-A

Students entering PK4 will take a short interview-based assessment with the teacher.

1) Student must be at least 4 years old by November 30th of the year of attendance.

2) Cost of the test is $50.

3) Expectations include:

- Able to hold a pencil.
- Recognition of uppercase and lowercase letters.
- Recognition of basic shapes.
- Recognition of colors.
- Able to communicate in English.
- Can follow directions in a group setting.
- Can stay seated for 10-15 minutes.

4) Students must be fully potty trained.

Students entering Kindergarten will take a one-on-one paper pencil test with the teacher.

1) Student must be at least 5 years old by November 30th of the year of attendance.

2) Cost of the test is $50.

3) Expectations include:

- Follow directions and communicate in English.
- Identify beginning sounds.
- Use scissors without assistance.
- Write their first name.
- Recognize the difference between upper- and lower-case letters.
- Write out all upper-case letters.
- Recognize numbers 1-20
- Count objects up to 10
- Listen to a story and respond accordingly.
- Recognize few 2 and 3 letter sight words.

Students taking the 1st grade entrance exam will take a one-on-one paper pencil test with the teacher.

1) Cost of the test is $50.

2) Components include:

- Listening to a short passage and answering questions
- Read a short story fluently (part of the reading series used in our KG program)
- Addition and subtraction questions up to the number 20.
- Write 3-5 sentences on a given prompt.

Students entering 2nd grade will take a paper pencil test in a group setting.

1) Cost of the test is $75.

2) Components include:

- Read short passages and answer multiple choice questions.
- Revise and edit sentences for correct grammar.
- Math questions covering grade 1 content.
- Write 5 sentences on a given prompt.

Students entering 3rd grade and up will take ISEE computer-based exam in a group setting.

1) Cost of the test is $125 for 3rd and 4th graders and is paid on the ERB testing site.

   Test can take up to 1.5 hours to complete.

2) Cost of the test is $160 for 5th and higher graders and is paid on the ERB testing site.

   Test can take up to 3 hours to complete.

3) Test information such as practice and review questions are available on

   https://www.erblearn.org/families/isee-preparation/#ERB

4) The test is comprised of:

- Verbal Reasoning (Synonyms and Antonyms)
- Reading Comprehension
- Quantitative Reasoning (Word problems, Quantitative Comparisons)
- Mathematics Achievement (Number sense, Algebraic Concepts, Geometry, Measurement, Data Analysis & Probability)
- Writing Prompt

5) Retests are not permitted.