

MAGGIE L. WALKER GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL
FOR
GOVERNMENT & INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Richmond, Virginia

Residency Guidelines for Admissions

The parent/guardian of a student must have an established primary residence in a participating school division for the student to apply and be granted admission to Maggie L. Walker Governor's School for Government and International Studies. [Hereafter, the student's residence refers to the primary residence of the parent/guardian(s).]

The school division where the student resides on March 1 will be responsible for tuition for the school year beginning in the fall of the same year. Parents will be responsible for officially notifying, in writing, the school division and MLWGS within ten business days of change of residency. Failure to notify MLWGS and the school division may result in the loss of enrollment and the loss of tuition payment by the school division. (Handbook, p.18)

Students who are residents of a participating school division may apply only during the fall of their eighth grade year (except for extenuating circumstances stated in the Admissions Policy).

Students who establish primary residence in a participating school division during the second semester of eighth grade may apply and be tested during the summer. The application is due prior to testing which will take place at MLWGS in July. (Handbook, p.18) Following testing the applicant will be placed on the waiting list of the local participating school division of residence based on the regional evaluation. New residents during the first semester may apply and be evaluated on the regular schedule.

Applicants who change residence from one participating division to another after the December deadline, but before March 1, will be transferred to the new division applicant pool for acceptance status consideration.

If a student wishes to apply and is enrolled in a public school based on an established primary residence in a participating school division, the student must apply for admission only through that school division.

If a student wishes to apply and is not enrolled in a school based on residency, the student must apply through the participating public school division of residence. Documentation giving proof of the student's residence is required. Documentation giving proof of "residential custody" must be provided by the parent or guardian with whom the student resides if other parent/guardian(s) reside elsewhere.

Once accepted and enrolled, a student may remain at MLWGS only as long as the student maintains primary residence in a participating school division.