## CHATTANOOGA SCHOOL FOR THE ARTS AND SCIENCES CHATTANOOGA SCHOOL FOR THE LIBERAL ARTS

## 2015-2016 FOURTH - FIFTH GRADE STUDENT APPLICATION

Yes	No Grade	e for 2015-2016:
	_Applicants Dat	te of Birth*
	First	Middle
Ci	ty St	ate Zip code
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ntly enrolled in		Grade
Hamilton County Scho	ool?If y	es, what years?
Mother	☐ Father	Legal Guardian
	Home Ph	one (423)
E-Mail:		
City	State	Zip code
	Work Phone	
	Home Phone (423)	
E-Mail:		
City	State	Zip code
	Work Phone	
	Ci Race  ntly enrolled in Hamilton County Scho Mother  E-Mail:  City  E-Mail:	

The most important criteria for admission to these schools include student motivation and adult involvement. Parental involvement is an essential ingredient for a child's success in school. Two requirements of CSAS and CSLA are:

- 1. Parent(s) participates in at least two conferences each year with the teachers to exchange ideas about the student's educational progress;
- 2. Parent(s) volunteer at least eighteen (18) hours per year per family to the school community.

I understand that my commitment to fulfill this responsibility is a requirement for admission and continued involvement at CSAS & CSLA.

I understand that there is no transfer policy between CSAS and CSLA. (A student at CSAS may not apply to or transfer to CSLA; a student at CSLA may not apply to or transfer to CSAS.)

I understand that after the applicant has accepted placement and registered with the school he/she cannot transfer to another Hamilton County school during the 2015-2016 school year.

I understand that I will be sent an application update by mail in January of each year. In order for an applicant to remain in the applicant pool, this update must be returned to the Paideia Admissions Office by the date indicated. I understand that if I do not receive an update, it is my responsibility to check with the Admissions Office regarding the status of the applicant. Applications will be removed from the applicant pool if an annual update from parents is not received.

\* Required field {OVER}

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## FOR PARENTS

We encourage each family interested in Paideia Schools (CSAS and CSLA) to read the book upon which the schools were founded $-$ <u>The Paideia Proposal</u> by Mortimer J. Adler which is available at Bicentennial Library branches.
How do you view your role as a parent of a child in a Paideia school?
What do you picture your child doing in a Paideia School?
Share your attitudes regarding how children are taught and how they learn in a school that uses many different kinds of materials and techniques, sometimes excluding textbooks and total lecture.
Teachers are required to write discipline policies for their classroom. What would you consider a discipline policy for your child to follow in class, specifically, and in school, generally?
Imagine you are sitting and observing your child in a seminar situation. Several statements are made that are in opposition to your beliefs or opinions. After the seminar is over, how would you continue the discussion with your child?
Parent Signature* *Required field

## PAIDEIA ADMISSIONS YES NO I am willing and able to fulfill an eighteen (18) hour per year volunteer commitment. I am willing to attend two parent teacher conferences per school year. (Students in grades 4 - 12 attend conferences with parents.) I understand that an admissions conference is a requirement of the admissions process. This includes sibling applicants. My child has been suspended from school. If yes, please explain: I understand and am willing to continue learning about the Paideia Philosophy. I understand that field trips and trips outside the school are part of the educational experience in a Paideia school. They are not optional. My child is committed to fulfilling academic responsibilities. My child understands that self-motivation, self-discipline, and respect for others are essential components of a good education. Does the applicant have a sibling(s) who lives in the same household currently attending CSAS/CSLA? If yes, please list name, grade, & school: \_\_\_\_\_ Has the applicant ever attended CSAS/CSLA before? If yes, what years? Submission of an application places the applicant on the waiting list for CSAS and CSLA. Applicants are offered positions at either school according to availability. In the event a position is available at both schools for a given grade level, the applicant will be offered a choice of placement. I understand that students at CSAS/CSLA are required to take a foreign language. Placement in either French or Spanish is done on a space-available basis. I understand that, once enrolled in French or Spanish, students will NOT have the option to switch to the other language. Student Signature (Grades 2-11)\* Parent signature\* **EXIT PROCEDURE** Because a crucial component of our mission is to provide a democratic opportunity for all children to succeed,

- it is the obligation of each student, with the support of parents, to make the most of his or her capabilities while attending CSAS or CSLA. Therefore, it is understood that after appropriate interventions have been attempted without success, it may be recommended that a child be withdrawn from CSAS or CSLA if the following circumstances occur:
- Student's behavior is disruptive in the school setting to the extent that is not only interferes with his/her learning, but also indicates a lack of self-discipline or respect for others.
- Student's academic experiences and growth do not reflect commitment or self-motivation toward the learning process. This includes, but is not limited to, honoring academic and/or social support contracts.
- Parent support and involvement are not adequate to insure the child's academic and behavioral success at CSAS and CSLA (This is in addition to eighteen (18) volunteer hours and two parent conferences.)

Student Signature (Grades 2-11)*	Parent signature*

If returning the application by mail, return it to Paideia Admissions Office, 865 East Third Street, Chattanooga, TN 37403
Laura Jetton, Paideia Admissions Coordinator (423) 209-5818
jetton_laura@hcde.org

For students who are applying for grades 2 - 5, please answer this question in your own

handwriting.

What do you like to do in school?