

San Francisco Unified School District
SCHOOL YEAR 2003-2004 LOWELL 9th GRADE ENROLLMENT APPLICATION INFORMATION

✓ **WHEN are the applications due and WHEN will I be notified if my child is accepted to Lowell?**

- Lowell 9th Grade Applications and the accompanying SFUSD Enrollment Applications must be submitted by **Friday, December 20, 2002**. Late applications will not be accepted.
- Parents and students will be notified by **March 17, 2003** of the student's acceptance status.
- An approved applicant must respond to the admissions offer by **April 11, 2003**.

✓ **WHAT documentation is needed when my Lowell Application is submitted?**

All Lowell 9th grade applicants must also complete a general SFUSD Enrollment Application.

- Parents/guardians of current SFUSD 8th grade students must submit this Lowell Application as well as an Enrollment Application for Continuing Student Grades 6-12. Please staple the Lowell Application on top of the Enrollment Application for Continuing Student Grades 6-12.
- Parent/guardians of all other 8th grade students must submit this Lowell Application as well as an Enrollment Application for New Student Grades 6-12, which must be accompanied by documents verifying the address of the parent/guardian and the student's date of birth as described in the Enrollment Application for New Student Grades 6-12. Please staple the Lowell Application on top of the Enrollment Application for New Student Grades 6-12 and the accompanying required documents for proof of birth date and home address.

✓ **HOW is the Lowell application process incorporated in the application process for other SFUSD high schools?**

- In addition to Lowell, each student may apply for up to four other SFUSD high schools on the general SFUSD Enrollment Application. All requested schools including Lowell should be indicated in order of preference.
- Applicants indicating Lowell as a first choice will be considered for assignment to other schools only if they are not admitted to Lowell.
- Applicants indicating one or more other high schools as higher preferences than Lowell and who meet Lowell admissions criteria will receive a Lowell assignment decision letter only if they cannot be assigned to their higher ranked choice(s).

✓ **WHERE can I pick up and submit my completed applications?**

- You may obtain the Lowell Application and the general SFUSD Enrollment Application at Lowell High School, all SFUSD middle schools and most San Francisco non-public middle schools, and the Educational Placement Center (555 Franklin Street, Room 100).
- Parents/guardians of current SFUSD 8th grade students must submit both completed enrollment applications to their current SFUSD middle schools. Applications sent through the mail will not be accepted.
- Parents/guardians of all other 8th grade students must submit both completed enrollment applications at the Educational Placement Center (555 Franklin Street, Room 100). Applications sent through the mail will not be accepted.

✓ **WHAT about the SAT-9 test requirement?**

All students who did not take the SAT-9 test in the spring of the seventh grade or the fall of the eighth grade MUST take the test on one of the two scheduled dates.

- Saturday, January 11, 2003, 8:00 a.m. Lowell High School, 1101 Eucalyptus Avenue, SF, 94132
- Saturday, January 25, 2003, 8:00 a.m. Lowell High School, 1101 Eucalyptus Avenue, SF, 94132
- Indicate on the Lowell Application the date that you will take the test.
- The test will be over by approximately 11:00 a.m.
- There is a 15 minute break in which refreshments are allowed but not provided.
- Dictionaries and calculators will not be allowed. Pencils and paper will be provided.
- There will be no letter sent to confirm your selected test date. Please just show up on the selected test date.
- To be admitted to the test setting, all students must bring some form of picture identification, and a copy of both applications.
- SFUSD students who have taken the SAT-9 test in the 7th or 8th grade will not be permitted to take the test at Lowell.
- Parents/guardians who wish to receive their children's composite scores in May 2003 must provide a stamped self-addressed envelope and letter requesting such information with the applications. Individual SAT-9 scores will not be provided.

✓ **WHAT are the criteria used for acceptance to Lowell?**

- Final grades for second semester of the 7th grade in English, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science.
- Final grades for the first semester of the 8th grade in English, Mathematics, Social Studies and Science.
- Standardized test (SAT-9) scores from either spring 7th grade, fall 8th grade or January 2003 testing.
- Additional information submitted on the Lowell Application (extracurricular activities demonstrating leadership skills, extenuating circumstances, demonstrated ability to overcome hardship, and family information).
- An essay to be written on a specified date and submitted at the current middle school.

✓ **For more information about the application process:**

- call the Educational Placement Center at 241-6085
- visit the EPC website at www.sfusd.edu
- or drop by the Educational Placement Center at 555 Franklin Street, Room 100

We look forward to helping you complete the Lowell Application process!

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STUDENT INFORMATION

Name _____

School _____

Date of Birth _____

School Counselor _____

HO# (for SFUSD Student) _____

Extracurricular activities demonstrating leadership skills: (attach documentation: additional statements may be written on an attachment.) E.g., extracurricular activities that are related to charitable or community service (either in-school or outside of school, including family responsibilities), visual & performing arts, athletics, school clubs and peer support/mentoring activities.

Extenuating circumstances: (attach documentation: additional statements may be written on an attachment.)

Describe any circumstances meriting the belief that the applicant can do well at Lowell or that the applicant's grades or SAT-9 scores are not a true representation of ability (e.g., personal family crisis, death in family during period when GPA dropped).

Demonstrated ability to overcome hardship: (attach documentation: additional statements may be written on an attachment.) Describe circumstances reflecting student's drive and ambition to overcome hardship (e.g., discrimination, economic responsibility, non-special education learning consideration (i.e., 504), homelessness).

I have not taken the SAT-9 test at my school (spring 7th grade or fall 8th grade). Therefore, I will attend the SAT-9 test session at Lowell High School on (select one date only):

Jan. 11, 2003 8:00 a.m.

Jan. 25, 2003 8:00 a.m.

FAMILY INFORMATION

The Student now resides with:

Both parents/guardians

One parent/guardian

Other:

Highest level of formal education for:

First parent/guardian:

- some high school
- high school graduate
- some college
- four year college/university graduate
- further education

Second parent/guardian:

- some high school
- high school graduate
- some college
- four year college/university graduate
- further education

Name _____

Relationship to student _____

National/State Poverty Levels: (attach documentation)

Current Income: DSS check _____ Social Security payment _____ Pension _____ Disability _____

Any other pertinent socio-economic information _____

The District may later ask for further documentation to verify information. Any falsification of information provided to the District will nullify this application.

Signatures

I have read the above and verify that the information provided in this application is accurate.

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____