

- **SUBMIT VCS APPLICATION BY NOVEMBER 20, 2023 (REQUIRED).**
- **SCHEDULE ADMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS ONLINE AFTER APPLICATION SUBMISSION.**
- **SUBMIT FAST TUITION ASSISTANCE ONLINE APPLICATION BY NOVEMBER 20, 2023 (IF APPLICABLE).**
- **CHILD'S CURRENT TEACHER SUBMITS THE ISAAGNY SCHOOL REPORT FORM THROUGH RAVENNA.**
- **ISEE TESTING IS REQUIRED FOR 5TH-8TH GRADE APPLICANTS FOR THE 2023-2024 ADMISSIONS SEASON.**

#### VCS ADMISSIONS PROCEDURE

VCS uses Ravenna for all required forms and events (online application, school tour, parent interview and applicant's visit). Applications can be submitted before or after the school tours; the application deadline is November 20, 2023. Guided tours for parents are a required part of the admissions process and are arranged on a regularly scheduled basis from early October through early December.

Interviews with the applicants and parents begin in October. These appointments can be made online once families have submitted an application, but should take place after the scheduled tour. Following the guideline of the Independent Schools Admissions Association of Greater New York (ISAAGNY), all applicants whose admissions folders are complete by January 11, 2024 will be notified of the admissions decision by early February. Upon notification of acceptance, parents have approximately one week to reply.

The applicant visit for Kindergarten and 1st Grade applicants is conducted as a group session with children of the same age. The Director of Admissions and an Assistant Director of Admissions or a classroom teacher present the children with a school-like experience lasting about 45 minutes.

As part of their admissions interview, students who are applying for 2nd Grade or above will be invited to spend a few hours at the school with a group of their peers. Applicants for 5th Grade and above are required to take the ISEE test.

A parent interview with a school administrator is part of the application process. These interviews last about an hour. Careful attention is paid to the completed written application, the report from the applicant's current school, test data (if applicable) and to the parent and applicant interviews.

Tuition assistance is awarded to families each year on the basis of demonstrated need. A request for tuition assistance should be made on the VCS application.

In keeping with our goal to achieve a wide range of diversity, approximately 21% of our families receive assistance. The Tuition Assistance Committee makes tuition assistance decisions independently of admissions decisions. However, notification concerning assistance will be given at the time of acceptance.