



2024- 2025

Joe Walker Middle School

STEALTH Academy

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Learning through Humanities

6<sup>th</sup> grade Honors Academy

Application

Applications will be accepted from March 15 – April 15, 2024.

Documents required for application:

1. The application below
2. Completed online transfer application
3. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter NWEA MAP growth results (Family Report)
4. **Two** most recent report cards:
  - 4<sup>th</sup> grade – end of the year
  - 5<sup>th</sup> grade – 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (distributed on 3/15/2024)

Email completed application packet to Ms. Goldovsky at [f.goldovsky@westside.k12.ca.us](mailto:f.goldovsky@westside.k12.ca.us) (put “6<sup>th</sup> Grade Application” in the subject line) or drop off the packet at Joe Walker:

Joe Walker Middle School  
5632 West Avenue L-8  
Quartz Hill, CA 93536

Thank you for your interest in applying to Joe Walker Middle School’s 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors Academy. Below you will find the information, requirements, and the application.

#### How does my 5<sup>th</sup> grade student enroll in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade program at Joe Walker Middle School?

ALL current 5<sup>th</sup> grade students/incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students MUST apply for the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors Academy regardless of whether the student is a current Westside Union School District student. In addition, students **MUST** complete the online Transfer request. That can be accessed on our district webpage ([www.westside.k12.ca.us](http://www.westside.k12.ca.us)) under “**Transfers**”. complete the “Enrollment and Transfer Application for 2024-25.”, **The completed Joe Walker application, the completed online Transfer request, and all documentation are due to Joe Walker between March 15 – April 15, 2024.** There are a limited number of seats available for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. **Parents/Guardians are responsible for transportation of their child to and from school.**

#### How will applying students be selected?

##### Student Eligibility:

- ✓ If using letter grades, the equivalent of a 3.0 GPA or higher each semester in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade; no D or F grades. Students on a Standards Based report card must have “2” or higher scores each semester during 4<sup>th</sup> grade, **AND** “2” or higher scores on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 1<sup>st</sup> semester and 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter progress report. \*
- ✓ Students **must** have a “3” or “4” score in College and Career Readiness on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report card. \*\*
- ✓ Scores at or above 70<sup>th</sup> percentile on the NWEA 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Language Arts **AND** Math Assessments. Out of district students must show proficient levels on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade district assessments. \*\*\*
- ✓ An **average** of 10 or fewer absences when looking at both 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade attendance. Absences due to quarantine will not affect eligibility.\*\*\*

\* - Students who meet grade requirements, but have multiple “2” scores, will be considered if space is still available after considering students who meet grade requirements and have “3” and “4” scores.

\*\* - Students from out of district must have an A/B or equivalent score in citizenship (or similar category) on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade report cards.

\*\*\* - Students who don’t meet the bottom two criteria may still apply; however, they will only be considered if space is available after acceptance of all students that meet all levels of eligibility.

#### How does 6<sup>th</sup> grade at Joe Walker Middle School differ from 6<sup>th</sup> grade at the elementary school?

6<sup>th</sup> grade students will receive honors level departmentalized instruction in each content area. Each student will receive instruction from a credentialed teacher in Math, Language Arts, Science, History, Physical Education, and Electives. 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will have access to the same electives, extra-curricular activities, and specialized programs as the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

#### What if I don’t currently attend school in the Westside Union School District, or I live in another District’s boundaries?

If you don’t currently attend school in the Westside Union School District, but currently live in our boundaries, you will complete the application as noted above. If you don’t currently attend school in the Westside Union School District, and **DO NOT** live within our boundaries, you will still complete the application as stated above; however, if you are accepted, you will need to get an inter-district transfer release from your home school district and have a copy mailed to our district office at: **Westside Union School District, 41914 50<sup>th</sup> Street West Quartz Hill, CA 93536 ATTN: Transfers**



