



ADMISSIONS POLICY
Tanglewood Middle School

SCHOOL MISSION: Tanglewood Middle School is an International Baccalaureate World School whose goal is to provide a quality education by empowering individuals to become caring, self-sufficient, globally conscious citizens, who value innovation and sustainability as a lifelong process.

Admission to Tanglewood

OPTION ONE: ZONED STUDENTS

Tanglewood Middle School is a public middle school in Houston Independent School District (HISD). Tanglewood is the neighborhood zoned school for students who live in the district assigned attendance zone. A map of the HISD middle school zones can be found at <https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/111709>. Any student who lives in Tanglewood's neighborhood zone can enroll at Tanglewood at any time. All zoned students who attend Tanglewood Middle School participate in the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme.

OPTION TWO: TRANSFER STUDENTS

Students who are not zoned to Tanglewood may apply to attend the school through an IB (International Baccalaureate) transfer. There are no academic achievement requirements for attending Tanglewood Middle School. Special Education students and English Language learners are welcome to attend. Students who are applying for a transfer must follow the district's directions and policies for applying for a school transfer.

District Steps for Transfer Students

Step 1: Parents complete an online application to transfer schools during the application window. Parents can access the application and relevant information by access www.HoustonISD.org/SchoolChoice.

Step 2: Parents select Tanglewood Middle School – International Baccalaureate Programme from the list of school choices.

Step 3: All students who apply for Tanglewood are placed into a lottery. The school will determine the number of spaces available, and the district will use a lottery system to grant admission to applicants at random.

Step 4: Parents are notified by the district of their child's acceptance into the school.

Step 5: Parents confirm acceptance and complete the necessary registration paperwork.

Conditions for Participation

All students who attend Tanglewood Middle School participate in the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program. Transfer students are required by the district to sign a conduct agreement in which they agree to behavioral and attendance standards. If a transfer student is in violation of this agreement, their transfer can be revoked, and they will return to their zoned middle school for the following school year.

Employees of the Houston Independent School District shall not discriminate on the basis of or engage in harassment motivated by age, race, color, ancestry, national origin, sex, handicap or disability, marital status, religion, veteran status, political affiliation, sexual orientation, gender identity, and/or gender expression. A substantiated charge of harassment against a student or employee shall result in disciplinary action.

IB Policy Review

This policy is reviewed and updated annually by school staff and the Shared Decision-Making Committee. This policy was reviewed and approved by representatives of the school

staff, parents, and community members in October 2024.

References

Houston Independent School District. (2023). Office of School Choice. Retrieved from <http://www.houstonisd.org/schoolchoice>.