THE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
AT MARY MAE JONES

ADMISSIONS POLICY

MISSION STATEMENT

Through inquiry and strong relationships, The International School at Mary Mae Jones develops internationally minded learners who pursue excellence, embrace diversity, take meaningful action with integrity, and demonstrate compassion in a global society.

VISION STATEMENT

To ensure high levels of learning for each student.

Philosophy

Any child eligible to enroll in Bentonville Schools as an elementary student may enroll or apply to enroll at The International School at Mary Mae Jones through one of the pathways articulated by Bentonville Schools.

Guiding Principles

Beliefs

Admissions are accepted and welcomed throughout the year. The International School at Mary Mae Jones admits students to ensure their academic, personal, social and emotional needs can be met by the programmes and services offered by the school.

The school operates a non-discriminatory admission policy.

All students who attend The International School at Mary Mae Jones have access to the Primary Years Programme (PYP). No additional requirements are needed to be a part of the PYP programme. All students will be exposed to the International Baccalaureate framework and be a part of the Primary Years Programme by being a student enrolled at our school.

Practices

We are open to parents or guardians who reside within district boundaries in the zone designated for The International School at Mary Mae Jones as well as families who elect the parent choice option for our school following the guidelines set forth by Bentonville Schools.

Per Bentonville School district policy, enrollment is granted to any elementary aged child who meets any of the following requirements:

- Residence in the district in the The International School at Mary Mae Jones attendance zone;
- Meet the criteria outlined regarding Students who are Homeless or Foster Children;
- Accepted as a transfer student or;
- Participate under a school choice option and submit required paperwork as outlined by the district.

Plan for Implementation and Review

The Vision and Policy Development Coalition as well as the Admissions Policy Committee and the school Leadership Team for The International School at Mary Mae Jones will oversee the implementation of this policy. Steps include:

- Communicating the policy to parents in multiple languages via the IB Coordinator and school website.
- Regular evaluation by the Principal and Assistant Principal through classroom observations and discussions.
- Policy reviews every three years or earlier as necessary to ensure alignment with best practices and community needs.

This policy reflects the values and commitments of The International School at Mary Mae Jones, ensuring equitable opportunities for all students.

Resources:

Bentonville Schools Board Policy Main Page

Code 4.1	Residence Requirements
Code 4.2	Entrance Requirements
Code 4.47	Homeless Students
Code 4.48	Students who are Foster Children
Code 4.5	School Choice
Code 4.8	School Attendance Zones
Code 4.9	Assignment of Schools