

APPLICATION FOR ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

At

École kisêwâtisiwin School

What is the Academic Enrichment Program?

Focus of the Program

- Develop students who have a strong work ethic, welcome problematic situations, accept ambiguity, and seek alternative possibilities.
- Provides rich and rigorous activities and experiences that supplement the Alberta curriculum
- Focuses on analytical thinking and writing skills.
- Fosters leadership and global citizenship through engaging and rigorous learning experiences rooted in competency development (Problem Solving, Creativity & Innovation, Collaboration, Managing Information, Critical Thinking, Personal Growth & Well-Being, Communication, Cultural & Global Citizenship), conceptual understanding, and authentic learning

Elements of the Program

- Close links to senior high schools offering Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate programs
- Use of primary resources and effective questioning
- Creation of learning environments that encourage students to take intellectual risks, formulate questions, draw inferences, and construct solid verbal and written arguments
- Students will be involved in active, high-level learning which will foster an appreciation of quality work and diligent effort.

Target Students

- Intended for all junior high students who want an academically rigorous and challenging program
- Based on motivation, work ethic, and performance-based criteria, including a Teacher Recommendation

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1. STUDENT & PARENT INFORMATION:

Please provide the following information:

LAST NAME OF STUDENT: _____

FIRST NAME OF STUDENT: _____

CURRENT SCHOOL: _____

CURRENT GRADE: _____

TEACHER CONTACT:

Teacher Name: _____

Teacher Email: _____

PARENT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL: _____

EMAIL: _____

Please return this form as part of the Academic Enrichment Program application package to the General Office or scan and email to kisewatisiwin@epsb.ca.

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2. TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

Applicants must ask their current teacher to contact the Academic Enrichment Program Coordinator, Eleni Decker, at eleni.decker@epsb.ca to obtain the electronic **Teacher Recommendation Form**. The form must be completed by the applicant's teacher and returned electronically.

3. PARENT RECOMMENDATION FORM

Parents: Please complete this form as a portion of the Academic Enrichment Program application process.

Student Profile for the Program

This program is appropriate for those students who are:

1. interested in academic activities, learning new concepts, self-motivated, and have a strong work ethic
2. curious and look for answers in new settings
3. interested in participating in a program that focuses on inquiry, critical thinking, problem-solving, and collaboration
4. demonstrating either near honours or honours as reflected in: classroom marks, literacy and numeracy assessments, observations made in and out of the classroom, and conversations students have with peers and teachers

Parent Support:

Based on the extent to which your child demonstrates the characteristics in the Student Profile as described above, describe why you believe the Academic Enrichment Program would be a good match for your child?

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4. STUDENT INTEREST CHECKLIST

Place the number in the blank before each statement, which reflects your work habits, attitude and effort in your class.

 1 Rarely

 2 Occasionally

 3 Most of the Time

- 1. I attend school regularly and punctually.
- 2. I work within school and classroom behavioural norms and expectations.
- 3. I am able to do the work of a rigorous program.
- 4. I am able to complete assignments in a timely manner and will do homework when needed and/or assigned.
- 5. I am *committed* to a daily review/homework schedule that includes daily reading.
- 6. I am able to manage multiple tasks and responsibilities.
- 7. I *seek out* and *respond well* to academic challenges and have a positive attitude.
- 8. I am *motivated* and able to learn independently.
- 9. I am *intellectually inquisitive*. I love asking questions and looking for the answers.
- 10. I am *committed to* and *want to* be a part of the Academic Enrichment Program.
- 11. I am prepared to positively participate in class (contribute positively to class discussions, be engaged during individual activities and group collaborations and discussions, and bring required class materials consistently).