

Vista Academy Student Application

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Do you have what it takes to be a Vista Academy Scholar and begin your journey to obtain your Vista SWAGGER?

Vista Academy is a Denver Public School 6th-12th grade Multiple Pathway Center that is geared towards re-engaging students in the educational process. Vista Academy could be the school for you if you answer yes to the majority of to the following questions:

- Are you committed to obtaining an education and following the expectations that the school and teachers have established for you to obtain you Vista SWAGGER?
- Do you need teachers and staff who believe in you and provide you with supports to make sure that you are successful?
- Are you excited about the idea that you are encouraged to advocate for your learning and given the tools to make sure that you are successful?
- Do you want to build your academic skills, and develop an individualized plan for your future so that you are able to compete with any student in the world?

√ Us Out!

Application Guidelines

1. Students must complete the application and return it to the Vista Academy at 4800 Telluride Street, Bldg. 6; Denver, CO 80249.
2. Students must complete a three-five minute video clip sharing something unique about them. The video clip can be submitted attached to the completed application online or submitted on a thumb drive or disc with a completed hard copy of the application.
3. Students will have to submit three letters of reference (all letters have to be from adults outside of the student's family, which can include teachers, mentors, probation officers, social workers, mental health therapists, coaches, extra-curricular activity sponsors, etc...) The letter could contain the students growth, needs or accomplishments.

Admissions Process

The following provides the application and acceptance timeline:

Applications Accepted



Completed Applications are reviewed
Applicants are notified of acceptance to Round 2 (interviews scheduled)
Applicants are interviewed
Acceptance letters mailed out to applicants

Students will have the opportunity to meet each other, teachers and staff, and learn steps toward their journey to gain Vista SWAGGER, which includes attending Mandatory SWAGGER Enrichment.

The admissions process will be complete once students attend any mandatory activities. Students will enter Vista Academy under a Probationary Contract that will include attendance, behavior and academic expectations where students will have to maintain expectations to keep their admissions slot at Vista Academy.

Our expectations will be outlined in the contract and the Vista Academy SWAGGER Handbook. Students will understand and demonstrate that Vista Academy Students have SWAGGER:

Scholars

World Class

Actively Engaged In Our Community

Go Getters

Global Thinkers

Enterprising

Relentless In Our Pursuit of an Education

Vista Academy enforces our dress code policy

- All attire should be black, gold, and white.
- Students have a choice of wearing shirts, polo's, sweaters, vests, blazers jackets, ties, polo's, collared shirts and sweaters in the following colors: White, Black or Gold or a combination of these colors.
- Undershirts should also be: White, Black or Gold
- Shoes should be appropriate and in neutral colors: Black, Brown, White and our school color Gold. Sandals should have a strap around the back side. Please do not wear shoes with wheels, flop flops, house shoes, etc.
- Red, Blue, Purple, Neon's, Hot Pinks, ect. are not allowed.

Vista Academy is a closed campus to all students. Only students who have 11th or 12th grade credits are allowed to leave campus during lunch. All students who drive are required to turn in their license, insurance and vehicle information to obtain a sticker to park on campus

OFFICE USE ONLY

Received date: _____

Completed date: _____

Interview date: _____

Check box if accepted

Vista Academy Student Application

Date of Birth _____

Current school attending _____

DPS Student ID # _____ Grade applying for _____

Student Name _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Address _____
(Street) (City) (Zip)

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

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The Parent/Guardian is the person who is legally responsible for the student.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____
(Last) (First)
(Middle)

Address (if different from student) _____

Home Phone (if different from student) _____

Cell Phone (if different from student) _____

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The following section should include a person (who is not listed above) who the school will always be able to contact if there is an emergency and can act on behalf of the parent/guardian in their absence.

Name of Emergency Contact (other than a parent(s)/guardian(s)) _____

Address _____
(Street) (City) (Zip)

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

The following is information about the student.

Gender: Male Female Transgendered

Ethnicity: African American American Indian White
 Asian Hispanic Bi-Racial Other ()

If you are a high school student, what are the total high school credits you have earned to date? _____

What is your estimated GPA? _____

Is the student currently receiving Special Education Services? Yes No
**** If the answer is yes please submit a copy of the IEP along with the application. Your application will not be considered without a copy of your most current IEP ****
If the answer is yes, what is the disability and what is your current IEP Setting?

Is the student currently receiving 504 services? Yes No

Is the student currently being assessed/re-evaluated for services? Yes No

Has the student received Special Education services but the services were terminated in the past calendar year? Yes No

If the answer to the previous question is yes, what was the disability and IEP Setting?

Please place number 1 by your first choice, 2 by your second choice and 3 by your third choice for the following CTE programs (if applying for High School):

Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Culinary Arts	<input type="checkbox"/> CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-media

Are you currently enrolled in a school? Yes No

If yes, what school, in what district?

**** If your last school was not with DPS, please provide a copy of your unofficial transcript with your application. ****

If you are currently enrolled in a school, do you attend at least 50% of the time? (High School)

_____ Yes _____ No

If you are currently enrolled in a school, do you attend at least 75% of the time? (Middle School)

_____ Yes _____ No

Do you currently have an open truancy case? _____ Yes _____ No

If the answer to the previous question is yes, in what county do you have your truancy case?

If you are not enrolled in a school or are enrolled in a school and not attending, what is the reason why you are not attending?

What is your favorite thing about school and briefly explain why this is your favorite thing?

Students will participate in service learning projects to meet authentic community needs. Think about your community and tell us what problems you see in your community and what things you think would help address the problems you have identified?

The following are roadblocks that might have prevented you from being successful in previous school settings. Please mark all that apply to you, this will not affect your acceptance to the school:

First Generation to graduate from high school

First Generation to graduate from college

Habitually truant

Adjudicated delinquency

Dropped out of school

Gang involvement personal or immediate family

Expelled from school

History of mental health issues (Lie, eating disorder self-harm, suicidal behavior)

Pregnant/Parenting

Physically or Sexually abused

History of child abuse or neglect

Substance Abuse (personal or parent/guardian)

Expelled

Homelessness

Issues Around Student's Sexuality

Parent/ guardian in prison or on Parole or probation

History of domestic violence in the immediate family

Repeated school suspensions

Behind on credits

Other: Please Describe _____

In the space below, please write an essay to explain why you want to attend Vista Academy and describe your commitment to meeting the expectations for being admitted and attending Vista Academy:
