## **APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION**



# 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL 330-837-3501 330-830-8069 (FAX)

### **JAGS Application Instructions**

Congratulations on your choice to apply for admission to the Jackson Academy for Global Studies (JAGS). The decision to complete this qualification application is an important step on your pathway to a world of opportunities.

#### JAGS Qualification Application Deadline: Monday, February 1, 2021, by 3:00pm.

All complete qualification applications received before the deadline will receive full and equal consideration. Completed JAGS applications received after the deadline will be considered on a space available basis. Students with incomplete applications, negative feedback on their teacher evaluations, or unsatisfactory grades on their academic transcripts may not be considered for enrollment in the JAGS program. All applications should be turned in to Ms. Tonya Gillette, in the Guidance/Student Services office at JMMS, or to Joe Knopick, in the JHS main office (mailbox), the JHS Student Services Office (to Joe Knopick, or Ms. Jackie Pitzo - Head of Guidance) or electronically to jjk2jc@jackson.sparcc.org by 3:00pm on 2/1/2021.

**Before you apply:** The Jackson Academy for Global Studies is a unique academy within the high school and is focused on global studies. It is important for you to know about the rigor and requirements for students in this academy before you apply. Please, read the information available on our Jackson High School website about the program, and ask your peers and older JAGS students for further information.

Also, please feel free to call and speak with:

Joe Knopick, JAGS Principal and Coordinator at 330-837-3501 ext. 1424, jjk2jc@jackson.sparcc.org

#### Completing the application

- Part 1 Student Information Form: Complete all sections of this form.
- **Part 2 Application Essay:** You are required to submit an application essay. This essay should be handwritten or typed, it is a sample of your best analysis, and should be no longer than 250 words.
- Part 3 JAGS Student and Parent Expectations: An agreement outlining the points of student and parent expectations will be reviewed and signed in the application process.
- Part 4 Recommendation Forms: Give the recommendation forms (included in this application packet) to your CURRENT 8th grade (or your 9th grade teachers if you are applying as an incoming Sophomore) English, Science and Social Studies teachers. All three teacher recommendations are required. Each teacher may return the recommendations to you in a signed, sealed envelope. You will submit the three recommendations in the sealed envelopes with the rest of your completed application before or on the due date.

#### Part 5 – Grade card, attendance record and other school information:

JAGS may use at least two years of grades (recommended minimum GPA of 3.0 for acceptance), attendance records, discipline and behavior records, and testing scores as additional factors for consideration of acceptance. Please include your most recent grade card (copy from the Home Access Center) that also lists the number of days absent this school year with your application.

### \*\*\*an incomplete application may not be considered\*\*\*

Turn in your completed application to the JMMS Guidance Office, to Joe Knopick, JAGS Principal/Coordinator OR to the JHS Student Services Office by Monday, February 1, 2021, by 3:00pm.

Use the following Checklist to ensure that your application is complete:
☐ Student Information form
☐ Application essay
☐ Student and Parent Agreement form
☐ Three completed recommendation forms in sealed envelopes
☐ Attach a copy of your most recent grades & attendance from the Home Access Center/Polaris

# **Jackson Academy of Global Studies**

## **Part I: Student Information Form**

<b>Student Information:</b>		
Grade you are applying for entrance in 2021-20.	22 (please circle): <b>9</b> <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
Last Name	First Name	
M F		
Birth date (Month/Day/Year)		
Are you fluent (or a native speaker) in a language Which language?		No
Are you currently taking a world language class	? Yes No	-
Which language?		
Please circle (as many as you choose) an area of		
Technology	Service	Leadership
Parent/Guardian Information If there are two parent/guardian addresses, pleas should be sent.	se enter the one address to wh	ich all application correspondence
Parent/Guardian Contact		
Last Name	First Name	
Address		
City		Zip Code
Home Phone:	Work phone:	
Mobile Phone:	E-mail address:	
Relationship to student:		

Part 2: Application Essay: Student Name
Please choose <b>ONE</b> (1) essay below on which to write. Complete your handwritten or typed essay, in 250 words or less, in the space below or attach your typed essay to this form:
Essay topics:  1. If there was one thing in this world you could change for the better, what would it be, and why? Please support your answers.
2. Identify an ongoing global crisis in one of the following regions: The Americas, Africa, the Middle East or South East Asia and explain the causes of the conflict through the perspectives of those involved.
3. What are your leadership qualities? Give a personal example of when you were a leader and how you grew and changed from the experience.



### **Part 3: Student and Parent Agreement:**

If accepted as a **JAGS student** for the 2021 - 2022 school year:

- 1. I will maintain satisfactory attendance in all classes.
- 2. I will maintain passing grades in all classes and strive to achieve the highest grades possible.
- 3. I will abide by all school rules and policies.
- 4. I will conduct myself with the utmost respect for myself and others.
- 5. I will act honorably, with outstanding manners, etiquette, and integrity.
- 6. I will be involved in community service and fundraising opportunities when available.
- 7. My conduct and attitude will be acceptable in all areas of the school and school functions

 Student signature	date

If my student is accepted into JAGS, as a parent:

- 1. I/we agree that this student has my/our consent to enroll in the Jackson Academy of Global Studies if admitted.
- 2. I/we agree that dropping or adding this program outside of the current 5 day Schedule Change Policy as outlined in the JHS Program of Studies and Student Handbook will be through a committee process.
- 3. I/we agree to maintain contact with the student's teachers, attend parent meetings (JAGS Boosters/Parent Group - jagsparents.gmail.com), and participate in progress report notification in the middle of each grading period.
- 4. I/we agree to contribute to or volunteer in some capacity to support the JAGS program. (chaperoning events, fundraising, etc.)
- 5. I/we certify that all of the information provided in my child's application is accurate.
- 6. I/we acknowledge the time commitment, dedication and personal initiative required for success as a JAGS student.

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### Part 4: JAGS Recommendation Form (English/Language Arts)

AGS Candidates fill in this section:						
JAGS Applicant's name:  Recommender's name:						
Please check the appropriate column for each						
item below.	1	2	3	4	5	N/O
"1" for poor to "5" for excellent.						
If the item has not been observed, check N/O for 'not observed'						
Interest in others' cultures and perspectives						
Tolerance of others' differences						
Empathetic						
Positive leadership or influence on peers						
Ability to work well with others	1					
Good attendance	1					
Active participation in class/school activities	1					
Positive attitude						
Independent thinking						
Takes initiative						
Creative approach to assignments/participation						
Completes assignments regularly and on time						
Has 'grit' - can overcome challenges, setbacks						

**To the person completing this form:** The student named above is applying for admission to the Jackson Academy for Global Studies. This is an international studies school-within-a-school academy at JHS, and is a rigorous program that requires diligence and time management, and moves at an accelerated learning pace. Please complete the form and return it to the student in a sealed envelope. Thank you for your time and effort on behalf of this student.

### Part 4: JAGS Recommendation Form (Science)

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JAGS Applica	int's na	me:				
Recommende	r's nam	e:				
Recommenders, please fill out the section below:						
Please check the appropriate column for each item below. "1" for poor to "5" for excellent. If the item has not been observed, check	1	2	3	4	5	N/O
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### Part 4: JAGS Recommendation Form (Social Studies)

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JAGS Applica	int's na	me:				
Recommender's name:  Recommenders, please fill out the section below:						
N/O for 'not observed'						
Interest in others' cultures and perspectives  Tolerance of others' differences						
Empathetic Positive leadership or influence on peers						
Ability to work well with others						
Good attendance						
Active participation in class/school activities	<del></del>					
Positive attitude						
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