



**Application for Admission**  
**Jackson Academy for Global Studies**

**2019-20 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: Wednesday, February 6, 2019, by 10:00am.**

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 will 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 Kathryn Stone, in the JHS main office (mailbox), or electronically to [kas2jc@jackson.sparcc.org](mailto:kas2jc@jackson.sparcc.org).

**Before you apply:** The Jackson Academy for Global Studies is a unique school within a school 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.

**An informational meeting about JAGS will be held on Parent Information Night for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students on Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 following the main presentation in the Jackson Center for the Performing Arts.**

Also, please feel free to call and speak with:

Kathryn Stone, Teacher & JAGS Coordinator at 330-837-3501 ext. 1570, [kas2jc@jackson.sparcc.org](mailto:kas2jc@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, as a sample of your best analysis, and 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 8th grade (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 2.8 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) with your application.

**Turn in your completed application to the JMMS Guidance Office OR the JHS Student Services Office by Wednesday, February 6, 2019, by 10:00am.**

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 from the Home Access Center/Polaris

# Jackson Academy of Global Studies

## Part I: Student Information Form

### Student Information

Grade you are applying for entrance: 9<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 besides English? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Which language? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently taking a world language class? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Which language? \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle (as many as you choose) an area of interest:

Technology

Service

Leadership

### Parent/Guardian Information

If there are two parent/guardian addresses, please enter the one address to which all application correspondence should be sent.

### Parent/Guardian Contact

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_





### Part 3: Student and Parent Agreement:

If accepted as a JAGS student for the 2019 - 2020 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 reflecting the JAGS core values of integrity, collaborative culture, high expectations, diversity, and reflection.**

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Student signature

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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 program. (chaperoning events, fundraising, etc.)
5. I/we attest that all of the information provided in the 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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Parent signature

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date

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Parent signature

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date

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

JAGS Candidates fill in this section:

JAGS Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommenders, please fill out the section below:

<b>Please check the appropriate column for each item below.</b> <b>“1” for poor to “5” for excellent.</b> <b>If the item has not been observed, check N/O for ‘not observed’</b>	1	2	3	4	5	N/O
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						
Positive attitude						
Independent thinking						
Takes initiative						
Creative approach to assignments/participation						
Completes assignments regularly and on time						
Has 'grit' - can overcome challenges, setbacks						

Are there any characteristics or personality traits of the above applicant that would contribute to or be a detriment to his or her success in the Jackson Academy of Global Studies?

Recommender's daytime phone extension: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of recommender: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

**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)

JAGS Candidates fill in this section:

JAGS Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommender's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommenders, please fill out the section below:

<b>Please check the appropriate column for each item below. “1” for poor to “5” for excellent. If the item has not been observed, check N/O for ‘not observed’</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>N/O</b>
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Recommender's daytime phone extension: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of recommender: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Part 4: JAGS Recommendation Form (Social Studies)

JAGS Candidates fill in this section:

**JAGS Applicant's name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommender's name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Recommenders, please fill out the section below:

<b>Please check the appropriate column for each item below. "1" for poor to "5" for excellent. If the item has not been observed, check N/O for 'not observed'</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>N/O</b>
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