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## How do I get an Admissions Application?

Admissions Applications can be submitted online. Application information is found at P.K. Yonge website (<a href="http://pkyonge.ufl.edu/about/admissions">http://pkyonge.ufl.edu/about/admissions</a>/). The Admissions Policy and information about admissions procedures are also available on the website.

**IMPORTANT:** Emails sent to P.K. Yonge are public records under State law and thereby expose your child's confidential information.

#### When can I apply for my child?

Applications for admission are accepted year-round. To be included in the first round of selection each year, applications must be received by the published Application Access Window. There are four grade levels that have larger numbers admitted to their student communities each year and have different submission and notification window. These grade levels are kindergarten, 4th grade, 6th grade, and 9th grade.

**Kindergarten Applications** – To be considered for inclusion in the first round for applicant selection in kindergarten, applicants must be 5 years old either on or before September 1 of the year they start kindergarten. Applications are accepted from February 1 until February 28 of the year the child starts kindergarten.

Grade Level to be Enrolled Next School Year	Application Access Window*	Notifications Sent:
6th Grade	Aug. 15 <sup>th</sup> - Jan. 30 <sup>th</sup> (11:59pm)	End of February
9th, 10th, 11th, 12th Grade	Aug. 15 <sup>th</sup> - Jan. 30 <sup>th</sup> (11:59pm)	End of February
Kindergarten	Feb. 1 <sup>st</sup> - Feb. 28 <sup>th</sup> (11:59pm)	End of March
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Mar. 1 <sup>st</sup> – Apr. 1 <sup>st</sup> (11:59pm)	End of May
Other Grade Levels	Mar. 1 <sup>st</sup> – Apr. 1 <sup>st</sup> (11:59pm)	During May
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 8th		through August
High School Applications are accepted		if spaces become
year-round		available

<sup>\*</sup>Please make note of the Application Access Windows: To be considered for the coming school year, applications MUST be submitted during the Application Access Windows. Complete applications received OUTSIDE the applications access windows will be reviewed and included in additional rounds of selections if vacancies occur. These additional selections could be completed at the end of the summer and/or at the beginning of the new school year if spaces become available in the grade level in which your child hopes to enroll.

### What if my child's school does not have a Discipline Report or a Behavior Report?

A current statement on school/district letterhead addressing any reported discipline or behavioral issues will be accepted. This statement is required even if your child has not had any reported discipline or behavior issues.

#### Do I need to submit a Discipline Report and transcripts with a Kindergarten application?

No. This report is only required for applications/updates for grades 1-12.

#### How do students get selected for admission to P.K. Yonge?

P.K. Yonge seeks to maintain a diverse student population that mirrors the student age population of the State of Florida using the demographic parameters of gender, race, and socio-economic status. When openings in a student's grade level become available, the current demographic criteria of the grade level are analyzed to determine the enrollment needs. The desired demographic criteria are used to query the application database to find all matching applicants. All matching applicants are then filtered to identify any applicants with a qualified priority. Applicants identified by demographic criteria are then selected by lottery using a pre-determined, randomly generated number sequence. For more information, see the Admissions Policy on the P.K. Yonge website.

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#### How can I check my child's application status to determine my child's position on the waiting list?

There is NO waiting list or ranking of admission applications. Once a complete application is received, it is processed and entered into the Admissions database and your child then becomes part of the applicant pool for possible lottery selection. Frequent inquiries to school personnel do not enhance or influence your child's selection for admission since selection is by lottery and based on specific criteria stated above. Send an email to <a href="mailto:admissions@pky.ufl.edu">admissions@pky.ufl.edu</a> to check the status of your application. Include full legal name of the child.

#### How soon will I know if my child is selected?

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6th Grade	End of February
9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	End of February
Kindergarten	End of March
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	End of May
Other Grade Levels	During May through August
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 8th	if spaces become available
High School Applications are accepted year-round	

### Do I have to re-apply if my child is not selected?

**Yes!** To remain in the applicant pool, applications MUST be updated annually during the Application Access Window by submitting a complete Annual Update Application during the Application Access Window. Update information can be found in the P.K. Yonge website (<a href="http://pkyonge.ufl.edu/about/admissions">http://pkyonge.ufl.edu/about/admissions</a>.)

#### Can I submit my application if I do not have all of my child's records/information?

No. Incomplete applications will be declined, and families will need to submit a new application with all the required documents.

#### Can I have a tour of the school?

P.K. Yonge offers 1-hour group tours throughout the year. Check the website for dates and information to register for a tour. P.K. Yonge does not offer personal tours of the school or campus. Specific grade level information sessions may be scheduled during each year. Please check the P.K. Yonge website for details about Information Sessions. (www.pkyonge.ufl.edu)

#### How can I find out about your curriculum?

Information about our curriculum and course sequences can be found on our website. Visit the P.K. Yonge website (<a href="www.pkyonge.ufl.edu">www.pkyonge.ufl.edu</a>) and click on the Academics tab to learn more about academics at P.K. Yonge, or visit the Elementary, Middle, or High School pages in the About section on the website.

What information is there on the Exceptional Student Education (ESE) services that are offered at P.K. Yonge? P.K. Yonge is able to offer exceptional student educational (ESE) services and accommodations to students with disabilities, but they are limited to those that can be provided in an inclusive setting within its general education program. All P.K. Yonge students, including those who receive ESE services, must be able to meet the graduation requirements set by the State of Florida to earn a Standard Diploma. P.K. Yonge maintains a carefully designed multi-tiered system of instructional supports, and supplemental instruction is designed to support student success in the core curriculum. Most of the school's instructional support services are provided through a "push in" model with additional "office hours" provided for our secondary students during the school day and by appointment. P.K. Yonge offers Honors and AP courses only for its high school students, with dual enrollment options available in the junior and senior year. In the application process, parents/guardians must provide the student's most current Educational Plan, Individual Education Plan, or 504 plan, as well as other requested information regarding the need for ESE or 504 services. Visit: https://pkyonge.ufl.edu/academics/exceptional-student-education/

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**NOTE:** Only complete Admissions Applications will be processed and considered for selection and admission. All records requested MUST be included with the Admissions Application. If the family submits required information <u>after</u> the student has been selected for admission and the school subsequently determines that the student's educational needs cannot be adequately met and supported in a general education setting, the school reserves the right to withdraw the invitation for admission.

# One of my children has been selected for admission or is currently enrolled at P.K. Yonge. Will my other children be selected for admission?

Students are selected by lottery to complete the demographic profile of each class. While there is no guarantee a sibling will be selected for admission, priority status in their demographic category is awarded to siblings once the admitted sibling has been enrolled in P.K. Yonge for one year.

### What ethnicity should I put down for my child?

You should select the ethnic category that most accurately reflects the child's family history.

My child is a part of a blended family. Whose income do I report as family income for the socio-economic category? The parent/guardian who claims the child as a dependent on the most recent Federal IRS Income Tax Form 1040 should report the amount on the Adjusted Gross Income line of the tax form.

#### How do I qualify for Reduced Activity Fees?

Reduced Activity Fees are based on the eligibility guidelines established by the Federal School Meals program. Guidelines are based on family income and family size. <u>After</u> students are selected, families seeking to qualify for a reduced activity fee must submit the current Federal Income Tax Form 1040 of the parent/guardian who claims the child as a *dependent*. If the request for a reduced activity fee is granted. The cashier will inform you of the amount to be paid.

#### Who do I contact with other questions or for additional information?

Admissions | 352-294-9090 | admissions@pky.ufl.edu

#### Does P.K. Yonge provide transportation for students to and from school?

No. P.K. Yonge families MUST provide transportation for their children.

#### Does P.K. Yonge provide after-school care for students?

No. Bluewave Afterschool, an independent contractor that operates on the P.K. Yonge campus, provides after care options for families of younger children. For more information, visit their website <a href="http://www.bluewaveafterschool.com/">http://www.bluewaveafterschool.com/</a>