

# 2020 - 2021

## JOE WALKER MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### STEALTH ACADEMY

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND LEARNING THROUGH HUMANITIES

#### 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE APPLICATION

### Applications will be accepted from March 1 – April 15, 2020.

Documents required for application:

- 1. STEALTH application
- 2. Inter-district or intra-district transfer
- 3. CAASPP State test scores from 4th grade
- 4. NWEA MAP growth results (Family Report)
- 5. **Two** most recent report cards:
  - □ 4<sup>th</sup> grade end of the year
  - □ 5<sup>th</sup> grade 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (distributed on 3/20/2020)

Return applications to the Westside Union School District office:

Westside Union School District 41914 50<sup>th</sup> Street West Quartz Hill, CA 93536

Thank you for your interest in applying to the Joe Walker Middle School - STEALTH Academy. The following is a list of answers to "Frequently Asked Questions" that you may find helpful.

### Who can participate in Joe Walker Middle School - STEALTH Academy?

STEALTH education is a school wide program for students enrolled in the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. There are a limited number of 6<sup>th</sup> grade seats available for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. All students who attend Joe Walker will participate in the STEALTH Academy.

# How does my 5<sup>th</sup> grade student enroll in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade program at Joe Walker Middle School – STEALTH Academy?

ALL current 5<sup>th</sup> grade students/incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students MUST apply for the STEALTH Academy (regardless of whether the student is a current Westside Union School District student) <u>AND</u> complete the appropriate Inter District Transfer or Intra District Transfer request. <u>STEALTH Applications, Inter/Intra Transfer requests, and all documentation are due to the WUSD office between March 1 – April 15, 2020.</u> There are a limited number of seats available for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students.

#### How will applying students be selected?

- 1. All students applying for the academy <u>must</u> meet grade requirements which include:
  - a. If using letter grades, the equivalent of a 3.0 GPA or higher each semester during 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade with no D or F grades.

and/or

- b. Students on a Standards Based report card must have "2" or higher scores each semester during 4<sup>th</sup> grade, **AND** "2" or higher scores on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter progress report. \*
- 2. Students <u>must</u> have a "3" or "4" score in College and Career Readiness on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report card. \*\*
- 3. Scores at or above 70<sup>th</sup> percentile on the NWEA 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Language Arts Assessment, <u>AND</u> scores at or above 70<sup>th</sup> percentile on the NWEA 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter Math Assessment. Out of district students must show proficient levels on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade district assessments. \*\*\*
- 4. Student Meets or Exceeds Standards on 4<sup>th</sup> grade ELA & Math State Tests. \*\*\*
- 5. An average of 10 or fewer absences when looking at both 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade. \*\*\*
- \* Students who meet grade requirements, but have multiple "2" scores, will be considered if space is still available after considering students who meet grade requirements and have "3" and "4" scores.
- \*\* Students from out of district must have an A/B or equivalent score in citizenship (or similar category) on their 5<sup>th</sup> grade report cards.
- \*\*\* Students who don't meet eligibility criteria #3, #4 and/or #5 may still apply; however, they will only be considered if space is available after acceptance of all students that meet all levels of eligibility.

# How does 6<sup>th</sup> grade at Joe Walker Middle School – STEALTH Academy differ from 6<sup>th</sup> grade at the elementary school?

6<sup>th</sup> grade students will receive departmentalized instruction in each content area. Therefore, each student will receive instruction from a credentialed teacher in Math, Language Arts, Science, History, Physical Education, and Electives. 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will have access to the same electives, extra-curricular activities, and specialized programs as the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

#### How do I apply?

Applications are available now in the Joe Walker Middle School office and online at <a href="http://westside.k12.ca.us/jw">http://westside.k12.ca.us/jw</a>. Transfer requests are available in the school office or the district office only. <a href="https://westside.k12.ca.us/jw">Applications, Inter/Intra Transfer requests</a>, and all documentation must be submitted to the WUSD office March 1 – April 15, 2020. Students will be notified of selection in June 2020.

# How do I know which classes and programs are available?

Students and parents will want to attend the Joe Walker Middle School STEALTH Academy – Community EXPO on March 19, 2020 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm to learn about our exciting classes and program offerings; an informational session regarding incoming students will be held at 5:00 pm in the cafeteria. Specific program requirements and applications will be available, and specialized program advisors will be available for questions.

#### What is the difference between an inter-district transfer and an intra-district transfer?

An inter-district transfer applies to a student who <u>does not</u> reside in the Westside Union School District boundaries. An intra-district transfer applies to a student who <u>does</u> reside in the Westside Union School District boundaries but <u>does not</u> reside in Joe Walker Middle School boundaries. All incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students must complete an Intra District or Inter District transfer.





Office Use Only						
	Date Received:					
	Application					
	4th grade end of the year Report Card					
	5th grade 3rd Quarter Report Card					
	4th grade CAASPP state test results					
	NWEA Family Report					
	Intra-district Transfer OR Inter-district Transfer					
	Approved 🗇 Denied					

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Please Complete ALL Information Legibly – Black or Blue Ink Only						
I. Student Information						
Legal Last Name on Birth Certificate	Legal First Name on Birth Certificate		Legal Middle Name on Birth Certificate			
Other Last Name – if applicable	Birthdate (mm / dd / yyyy)		Gender Grade Grade 6			
Home Address	City	Zip Code	Home Phone	<u>-                                    </u>		
➤ Is student currently attending a school within Westside \(\text{V}\)	Inion School District? □ No	☐ Yes - If yes what	school _	grade		
Is student attending current school on an approved Transfer?  No  Yes Inter District Transfer – District of Residence						
Siblings attending school within Westside Union School  Name School Within Westside Union School  Output  Description:		If yes, please list bel	OW.  Grade School  ——————————————————————————————————	<u>ગ</u>		
Is student currently receiving any of the following servi  GATE/Advanced Placement	ces in this district or any other di	strict?  • Special Edu	☐ Specia☐ Resour	l Day Class rce n/Language		
II. Parent/Guardian Information						
Student resides with this parent?  Parent/Guardian Name:   Mother  Step  First	omother □Foster Mother □Guard	an 🗖	Cell Phone: ( ) Zip:			
□ Yes Home Address: If different from student  □ No Email:	Home Phone:	Oity.	Work Phone:	Ext.		
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Student resides with this parent? Parent/Guardian Name: □Father □Step				Cell Phone:		
☐ Yes Home Address: If different from student		City:	Zip:			
□ No Email:	Home Phone:	Home Phone:		Ext.		