



Southwind High STEM School Application

(Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)
(Current 8th Grade Students Only)

STUDENT APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Complete entire application and attach all required forms. (See below)
- Return all materials by **Dec 15, 2015 for early consideration** to Southwind High School Main Office:

CHECKLIST: (all are required as part of your application)

- Application (Part I, II and III)
- Narrative (See Part III)
- Student & Guardian Agreement Form
- Teacher Recommendation Form (To be completed by current **math** or **science** Teacher and returned in a sealed envelope with application.)
- Copy of current Report Card (Grades, conduct, and discipline record will be reviewed and considered as part of the application/acceptance process.)
NOTE: IT is the parents/students' responsibility and not the school's to obtain a copy and send the report card with the application.
- Only completed files will be reviewed for admission. (Completed files include: application I, II, III, Student & Guardian Agreement Form, Teacher Recommendation (current math or science teacher), and report card)

PART I - INFORMATION ABOUT YOU

Name: _____
Last First M.I.

Home Address

Mailing Address (if different):

Gender: (circle one) M F

Birth date: ____/____/____

Race/Ethnicity (circle all that apply):

A. Native American/Native Alaskan

B. Asian/Pacific Islander

C. Black/African American

D. Hispanic

E. White/Caucasian

F. Other

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

School Name: _____

Grade Level 2015-2016 School Year: _____



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PART II - CONTACT INFORMATION

Guardian (1)

Name: _____
Relationship: _____
E-mail: _____
Day Phone Number: _____
Cell Phone Number: _____

Guardian (2)

Name: _____
Relationship: _____
E-mail: _____
Day Phone Number: _____
Cell Phone Number: _____

PART III - PERSONAL NARRATIVE

Write a 100-200 word essay describing what you value most, what you think your strengths and weaknesses (not held against you) are, and your reasons for wanting participate in the STEM Academy at Southwind High School. Please type your narrative on a separate sheet and submit with your application.

In what other math, science and/or technology programs have you participated?



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STUDENT & GUARDIAN AGREEMENT FORM

We understand that as a participant, the student is required to attend the **mandatory meetings (TBA)**. If the student is removed for any other reason than an approved medical leave or personal emergency, the student forfeits his/her opportunity to participate in STEM programs at Southwind High School.

We agree that the student will follow all rules and guidelines for student conduct as outlined by the Shelby County Schools Student Handbook. We realize that the Southwind High School administrative staff reserves the right to ask a student to leave the program for disciplinary reasons.

Guardians:

I understand that:

- I am responsible for ensuring the student has transportation to and from afterschool activities.
- I am responsible for the student maintaining regular attendance to school each day.
- I am responsible for the cost of repairing or replacing any property that my child damages at the site.
- I (or designee) am responsible for attending the student orientation. (Location and time TBA)

I give permission for:

- The student to complete all tests and surveys that Southwind High School deems necessary for evaluating program effectiveness.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____



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TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

Student Name: _____ Current Grade: _____

Teacher

The Southwind High School STEM Academy is a program aimed at providing a signature learning experience that will ignite student interest and develop skills in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. It is designed for middle school students who have demonstrated a readiness to excel in these areas. We would appreciate your thoughtful reflection on whether this applicant will succeed in this selective program.

Teacher's Name: _____ School: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Subject(s) you teach student: _____

Please rate the student in the following categories:

	Exceptional	Good	Below Average	N/A
Creativity				
Initiative				
Motivation				
Respect for Others				
Self-Confidence				
Social Maturity				
Academic Achievement				
Critical Thinking Skills				
Intellectual Curiosity				
Leadership				
Math Reasoning				
Scientific Reasoning				
Written Expression				
Oral Expression				

How would you characterize the level at which the student is currently working in the subject area(s) you teach?

_____ At grade level _____ One level above _____ Two levels above _____ Not sure

Please rank the student's likelihood of succeeding in this program.

_____ Very likely _____ Likely _____ Somewhat Likely _____ Not likely

**Thank you for submitting a recommendation for this applicant.
Please submit recommendation in a sealed envelope and return to student.**