



MET EAST HIGH SCHOOL

Application for Admission

2011

“Educating Camden’s Students One at a Time”

Student’s Name _____
Last First Middle

Address _____
Street City State Zip Code

Birth Date _____ Gender: M F

Race or Ethnicity (Optional): ___ African American ___ Caucasian ___ Hispanic/Latino
___ American Indian ___ Asian/Pacific Islander _____ Other

Current School _____ Home Phone () _____

Parent(s)/ Guardian(s) _____ Work Phone () _____

I hereby give permission for my son/ daughter to apply to MetEast High School.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date



Student and Parent(s)

Remember to include:

- Personal Qualities Form
- Three Proofs of Camden Residency
- Two Recommendations (typed)
- Your most recent report card
- The Autobiography
- Student Essay (1)
- Parent Essay (1)
- Birth Certificate

School Liaison

student applications will not be processed if this section is incomplete

Student ID# _____

Cum G.P.A. _____ # of Absences _____

Student I.E.P. Yes _____ No _____

Please submit all applications to:
MetEast High School
Attn: Mr. Timothy Jenkins
1656 Kaiohn Ave

Application Deadline: May 6, 2011

Essay Requirement

At MetEast, family engagement and support is crucial. We firmly believe that the selection of a student's high school should be an informed decision and a collaborative effort between the child and parent. Therefore, please give the following questions careful consideration and elaborate in depth. (Please write, do not type your responses)

I. Applicant: There are several other high schools in the Camden City Public School District, what aspect of MetEast High School is most appealing to you?

II. Parent/Guardian: Why do you feel MetEast is the high school best suited to meet the needs of your child?

Student Selection Process

Applicants and their families must show a strong interest and commitment to the student's education and to the Big Picture Learning design. The student selection process, which is implemented during the middle months of the applicant's 8th grade year, is designed to identify students whose needs might be best served by the MetEast philosophy. The principal and the admission team will review each application and interview all prospective students and their families. **Due to the high number of applicants, incomplete applications will not be processed.**

Then, applicants meeting the selection criteria who have submitted completed applications are placed in the *Qualified Candidate* group and enrolled in the school.

The following criteria have been established as guidelines for the selection process.

1. Student applicants and their families **MUST** be residents of Camden city.
2. Each family must complete the MetEast High School Application, which includes student information, parental permission, recommendations, and short essays.
3. Applicants must submit a minimum of two recommendations as a part of the application process: one from the student's current teacher, guidance counselor, or principal, and the second from a parent or responsible adult (Be sure to include contact information).
4. Families must undergo a personal interview with the admissions team as the final step in the application process.
5. All interviews will be conducted prior to May 31st. Students will be selected on the last Friday in May and notified of acceptance the following week.

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MetEast is a small public high school open to all students in Camden city. We educate one student at a time, so each student's curriculum is determined by his or her unique interests, background, and learning styles. All students work on projects in real-world settings related to their interests and develop strong relationships with teachers and project mentors. In short, the community is viewed as a classroom. MetEast enrolls families, not just students!

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What type of school is MetEast?

A: Interest Exploration and personalized learning are the school's focus. Upon enrollment, students identify their interest and pursue their passions by engaging in rigorous work in the surrounding community.

Q: What type of curriculum does the school use?

A: Each MetEast High School student has a personalized curriculum that is tailored to meet the academic, social, and personal needs of each student. Using New Jersey's content standards as a guide, the student, his or her family and the student's teachers work collaboratively to define the curriculum. Also, all MetEast graduates will be prepared to enter and be successful in college.

Q: What is the teacher to student ratio?

A: MetEast offers small learning environments where the teacher to student ratio is approximately 1:15.

Q: How are the students assessed?

A: MetEast students do not receive traditional grades; rather they are authentically assessed using exhibitions and teacher narratives that reflect the students' progress over time. Exhibitions are mandatory for all students grades 9-12 and it is mandatory for a parent to attend.

Q: Does MetEast have a dress code?

A: Yes, as a prerequisite for admission into MetEast High School students must agree to wear the approved school uniform. The MetEast High School's uniform consists of the following: Pants or Skirts (tan or black), Polo-style shirts w/ logo (red or black)

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A BIG PICTURE SCHOOL™

"EDUCATING CAMDEN'S CHILDREN ONE AT A TIME"

(TO BE COMPLETED BY EACH APPLICANT)

Autobiography

1. What aspect of MetEast is most appealing to you?

2. If you change anything about school what would it be?

3. What are you interested in or most passionate about?

4. What do you plan to do after high school?

5. Were you involved in any school activities such as, sports, clubs etc?

6. What would you say is your best attribute?

7. Describe a time when you were a leader?
