## **Fairfax County Public Schools**

Information Regarding the Magnet School Application Process School Year 2015-2016

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE READ

- 1. The magnet program offers an enriched education for all students through an application and lottery process. It is not the same as the Advanced Academics Programs/GT, which requires academic identification, a referral, and a dual screening process.
- 2. Applicants will be selected by lottery during the week of March 23, 2015. Each school will hold a separate lottery. Please complete a separate application for each student applying. Additional information is available at <a href="https://www.fcps.edu/is/magnetschools/index.shtml">www.fcps.edu/is/magnetschools/index.shtml</a>.
- 3. Only one application per student will be accepted. <u>Applicants must be Fairfax County residents at the time of application</u>. Be sure to complete the entire application form. Please print or type.
- 4. Applications received with postmark dated after March 2, 2015, will not be accepted. *No faxes, emails, or hand-carried forms will be accepted.* An application form *MUST* be submitted for *EACH* child.
- 5. You will be sent confirmation of receipt of application via email.
- 6. Kindergarten applicants must be age 5 by September 30, 2015. First grade applicants must be age 6 by September 30, 2015.
- 7. Transportation for out-of-boundary magnet school students has historically been provided, with a LIMITED number of regional stops. However, each year it is subject to approval through the FCPS budget process and will not be known with certainty until the budget process concludes in the spring.
- 8. Acceptances are *NOT* transferable.
- 9. It is strongly recommended that all interested families attend the Parent Information Night. The dates for each school are listed below.
  - Hunters Woods ES: Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. (Snow Date Tuesday, February 10)
  - Bailey's ES: Wednesday, February 4, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. (Snow Date Wednesday, February 11)
- 10. At Bailey's Elementary School, selected kindergarten and first grade students who wish to participate in Spanish Immersion will be placed in a lottery for available spaces. This lottery will be conducted by the World Languages office.
- 11. Questions regarding the specific magnet programs, please refer or contact:

Bailey's Elementary School

Sofia Arias, magnet parent liaison at 703-575-6804

Visit

http://www.fcps.edu/BaileysES/magnetoverview.html

**Hunters Woods Elementary School** 

Diane Beers, magnet parent liaison at 703-262-7405

Visit

http://www.fcps.edu/HuntersWoodsES/magnet\_program.html

Mail application and <u>postmarked no later than March 2, 2015</u>, to:
Fairfax County Public Schools
3877 Fairfax Ridge Road
Magnet Program, Mail Stop #9
Fairfax, Virginia 22030