

2023 Early Admission Information

Current, alumni, and faculty/staff families who would like an early decision can complete the application process on an accelerated timeline. Families are **not** required to apply through the early admission process. If you need additional time, you are welcome to apply using the standard application process and timeline.

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, Oct 16, 2023	Early Student Visits Begin
Saturday, Nov 4, 2023	Open House, 1:00 PM-2:30 PM. Register through Ravenna
Friday, Dec 8, 2023	Deadline for Early Application, Supplemental Materials, and Financial Aid Application Last day to complete student visit
Saturday, Dec 19, 2023	Open House, 10:00 AM-12:30 PM. Register through Ravenna
Friday, Dec 15, 2023	Admission and Financial Aid Decisions Released
Thursday, Feb 1, 2024	Sibling Enrollment Agreement and Deposit Due Date Financial Aid deadline for current families

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Attend an Explorer West Open House (optional). Open House dates are listed above. RSVP through re: <http://www.ravenna-hub.com>.
- Complete online application.* To create a profile and apply, visit <http://www.ravenna-hub.com>.
- Sibling Visit. Dawn will call to set up a date.
- Complete the additional application steps. Please submit requests to your student's current school and teachers early to ensure completion by the **Dec 5** deadline.
 - Parent/Guardian Input Form:** Complete and submit online through Ravenna.
 - Student Forms:** Please have your child complete the student essay, short answer form, and interests & activities form. Complete and submit online through Ravenna.
 - Transcript Request Form:** Print from the Ravenna site. Fill in your child's name, date of birth, sign the form, and deliver it to the office/registrar at your student's *current* school.
 - Teacher Evaluation Forms (2):** Delegate one form to a current teacher, and the second can be a past teacher. Both teachers should teach core subjects if possible. Forms are delegated through Ravenna directly to the teachers' email addresses.
- Submit Financial Aid Application (Optional). Visit our website for more information on financial aid at <http://explorer-west.org/admissions/financial-aid-process-faq/>. **The financial aid deadline is Dec 8, 2023.** Please complete the SSS application using your 2021 tax return and your best estimate for the 2022 amounts.

Please submit all application materials through the Ravenna portal.

For admission and general questions, please contact:

Dawn Fornear, Director of Admission, at dawnf@explorer-west.org

For financial aid information and questions, please contact:

Carol LaMotte, Business Manager, at carol@explorer-west.org

SIBLING VISIT INFORMATION

Early Student Visits begin on Oct 16 and continue through Dec 8 for the earlier deadline. Visits are a half-day, scheduled from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM or 12:45 PM to 3:30 PM. Applicants are matched with a current student and visit classes.

Please note: The visit is a required part of the application process. Therefore, the student visit must be completed by Dec 5 for your application to be considered complete and on time for the early decision.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Parents/guardians of siblings are not required to attend a tour of the school. If you are interested in scheduling a tour or time to meet with Barbara, contact Dawn.

All materials submitted in support of an application for admission become the property of Explorer West Middle School. These materials, including letters of recommendation, evaluations, school reports, and the results of our admission screenings, are confidential and will not be released to anyone at any time.

Applications received after the sibling admissions period are considered with the standard application pool. Please call the Admission Office for more information.

* If the application fee is an obstacle for your family, please email Dawn for a fee waiver code.

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