



GRADE ENTERING \_\_\_\_\_ in coming year  
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# HIGH SCHOOL

## Application Form for Academic Year 2009 - 2010

**Return to: Application: 2009-2010, Manatee School For the Arts, 700 Haben Blvd., Palmetto, FL 34221  
or FAX: 941.721.6805 ATTN:Melissa Izzo, first acceptance notification by February 27.**

1. Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last Name First Name Middle Initial Month / Date / Year*
3. Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Apt. # City State Zip Code*
4. Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Apt. # City State Zip Code*
5. Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Father) Last Name First Name Middle Initial*  
 Relationship (Father, Step-father, Legal Guardian) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Ph. # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Ph. # \_\_\_\_\_
- Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Mother) Last Name First Name Middle Initial*  
 Relationship (Mother, Step-mother, Legal Guardian) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Ph. # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Ph. # \_\_\_\_\_
6. Student's Social Security Number (SSN) \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_
7. Student's Race: White \_\_\_\_\_ Black \_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic \_\_\_\_\_ Asian \_\_\_\_\_ Mixed \_\_\_\_\_ Other (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_
8. To which grade is this student assigned for the upcoming 2009-2010 school year? 9 \_\_\_\_\_ 10 \_\_\_\_\_ 11 \_\_\_\_\_ 12 \_\_\_\_\_
9. How did you hear about MSA? \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing \_\_\_\_\_ Friend \_\_\_\_\_ Newspaper \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_
10. To which public high school is this student assigned? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Which other high school(s) has this student attended? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Current GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Current Credit Hours \_\_\_\_\_
13. Is your child in ELL (English Language Learners) \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No
14. Is/was your child in a special education (ESE) program? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No If Yes, check all that apply  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) \_\_\_\_\_ SI (Speech Impaired)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ EBD (Emotional Behavior Disorder) \_\_\_\_\_ LI (Language Impaired)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ SLD (Special Learning Disability) \_\_\_\_\_ ST (Speech Therapy)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ EMH (Educatably Mentally Handicapped) \_\_\_\_\_ OT (Occupational Therapy)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Gifted \_\_\_\_\_ Other? Explain \_\_\_\_\_

**To assist educational planning for your student, a copy of his/her Individual Education Plan (IEP) must be attached to this application.**

15. In which arts areas is your student interested? (Check all that apply)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Theatre \_\_\_\_\_ Dance \_\_\_\_\_ Visual Arts \_\_\_\_\_ Computer Graphics \_\_\_\_\_ Music \_\_\_\_\_ None
16. Does your child have a sibling who attends MSA? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No If Yes, name of student \_\_\_\_\_
17. Is your child interested in advanced (Honors) academics or Dual Enrollment for college credit? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No
18. Has this student been suspended? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No *(If so, please explain on a separate sheet of paper and attach to the application)*
19. Has this student been expelled? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No *(If so, please explain on a separate sheet of paper and attach to the application)*

**An audition/interview is required. Please bring the following at this time: FCAT scores, grades, portfolio (art) or audition material. In addition, students should write an essay on why they wish to attend MSA.**

*I have read the information on the front and back of this application and it is my desire and intention to enroll this student in Manatee School For the Arts. I attest that the information I have provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of information can result in loss of eligibility. I authorize MSA to request records for my student.*

Parent / Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email Only: \_\_\_\_\_

## Manatee School For the Arts

**Charter School.** Manatee School For the Arts (MSA) is a public charter school. A charter school is a public school run by a not for profit corporation under contract (charter) with a sponsor, usually the local school board. MSA is operated by Renaissance Arts and Education, Inc., a not for profit Florida Corporation recognized by the IRS as a tax exempt, 501(c)(3) corporation, under contract with the Manatee County School Board. Under Florida Law, charter schools are fully recognized as public schools. All students in Manatee County are eligible to apply to attend this school.

**Location.** MSA is located at 700 Haben Blvd., Palmetto FL 34221. The property encompasses nine and six tenths (9.6) acres of land, one hundred and fifty thousand (150,000) square feet under roof and two hundred and fifty (250) parking spaces.

**Grades offered, student body, class size, and schedule.** MSA High School offers ninth (9th), tenth (10th), eleventh (11th), and twelfth (12th) grades. For 2009-2010, MSA expects to enroll approximately five hundred and fifty (550) students in the high school level. Classes are projected between twenty (20) and twenty-five (25) students per class. MSA uses a modified block schedule with four (4) eighty-five (85) minute periods of instruction per day. Students are registered for eight (8) classes. There are at least one hundred and eighty (180) days of instruction. MSA follows the calendar used by other public schools in Manatee County.

**Mission Statement.** *“The mission of Manatee School For the Arts High School is to provide advanced study and training opportunities in the Visual and Performing Arts while offering a strong academic program that maintains high standards and strives for excellence.”*

**Curriculum.** Regular and advanced courses in the core academic areas of math, science, language arts, social studies, and foreign languages are offered. Dual enrollment with Manatee Community College available to qualified students.

**Electives: Visual Arts** Drawing, Jewelry, Fibercraft, Painting; **Digital Arts and Technology** Computer Graphics, Advanced Computer Graphics, Visual Technology I, II and III, Commercial Art I and II (which includes Digital Photography), Film I, Cinematography, Computer Art-Applications to 3D Design, Multimedia Technologies and Computer Art-Image Processing I (yearbook); **Dance** Ballroom, Tap/Jazz, Ballet, Modern, Choreography; **Music** Theory, Chorus, Orchestra, Band, Keyboard, Guitar; **Theatre** Acting, Stagecraft, Costume Design, Musical Theater Performance; **Language** Spanish, French; **Physical Education** Tae Kwon Do, LMS, Weight Training, Personal Fitness, Aerobics..

Additional academic electives are under consideration but are subject to staffing and budget limitations.

**Teacher Qualifications.** Teachers employed by MSA shall be certified. MSA will not employ an individual to provide instructional services or to serve as a teacher aide if the individual's certification or licensure as an educator is suspended or revoked by any state.

Administrators, staff, and any other employee will be selected on the basis of educational background and experience that demonstrates appropriate preparation for the position as determined by the Board of Directors. All employees and independent contractors will be fingerprinted.

**Transportation.** Provided for most county students.

**Exceptional Student Education (ESE).** Exceptional students will be provided with programs implemented in accordance with federal, state policies and procedures; and specifically, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

**Behavior Contract.** All students and parents will be required to sign a behavior contract agreeing to follow the MSA Code of Conduct, outlining the rules and regulations of the school. Failure to uphold the contract may result in the student being required to return to his/her home school.

**Uniforms.** The MSA uniform shop is the provider for the required uniform shirt. Uniform bottoms can be purchased from several local vendors. All students are expected to strictly adhere to the MSA school dress code.

This information is provided to assist parents and students who are considering enrolling in Manatee School For the Arts. This was accurate at the time of printing. Specific information may change from time to time. If you have other questions please call 941.721.6800 and ask for Melissa Izzo. If you would like a tour of the school, please call to schedule a time.