



High School Application



Dear Parent(s) and Student,

Thank you for your interest in applying for Tamarack Waldorf High School. The High School admissions procedure involves the following steps:

1. **Forms:** The High School Application Information form, along with the Parent and Student Questionnaires, need to be completed and returned. Please note that while we do not require an entrance exam, we do require grades, transcripts, standardized test scores, teacher reports for the past two years and a basic skills assessment that will help us properly place the student.
2. **School Records:** An authorization form for release of school records is included. Please complete it so that we can request records from your child's current school. If you have copies of grades, transcripts, standardized test scores and teacher reports for the past two years at home, you may bring them in for us to copy.
3. **Recommendations:** Please use the attached recommendations forms to obtain two recommendations from teachers or counselors at your present school and ask that they be sent directly to us. Ideally, one should be from an English/Humanities teacher and one from a Math/Science teacher.
4. **Visit:** We invite you to attend an information evening or to contact us for a tour of the school.
5. **One-on-one meeting:** After the preliminary visit to the school, and **upon receipt of all application materials** – parent and student forms, recommendations, test scores, grades and/or transcripts – a sit-down conversation will be scheduled to include parent(s) and the student, to get to know you better.
6. **Enrollment/Acceptance:** The application will be reviewed by the admissions committee, which will notify you of your status in relation to enrollment.

If you have questions or concerns, I would be happy to speak with you. Please contact me at (414) 265-7075 or kelly.ramirez@tamarackwaldorf.org.

We look forward to working with your family!

Sincerely,

Kelly S. Ramirez
High School Enrollment Specialist
Tamarack Waldorf School

Application for Enrollment: High School

A non-refundable application fee of \$50 must accompany this application.

This fee is waived for Milwaukee Parental Choice Program students and students enrolled in Tamarack Waldorf School's 8th grade.

Tamarack Waldorf School welcomes people of all races, religions, national origin and sexual orientation to join our school community.

Child's Legal Name: Last _____ First _____ Birth Date _____

Anticipated Start Date (Month/Year) _____ Circle: Male / Female

Applying for Grade: 9th 10th 11th Year of Initial Entry into High School _____

School currently attending _____ School Phone _____

School Address (copies of records must be requested before an interview) _____

Please list names and ages of other children in the family Birth Date _____

_____	___/___/___
_____	___/___/___
_____	___/___/___

Applicant lives with the following adults(s): _____

Custody Placement _____

Parent/Guardian _____	Parent/Guardian _____
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Relationship to Child _____	Relationship to Child _____
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Address _____	Address _____
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City, State, Zip _____	City, State, Zip _____
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Occupation _____	Occupation _____
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Work phone _____	Work phone _____
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Employed by _____	Employed by _____
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Home phone _____	Home phone _____
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Cell phone _____	Cell phone _____
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Email _____	Email _____
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Who is financially responsible for school expenses for this student? ___ Mom ___ Dad ___ Other

I/We will ___ pay full tuition ___ apply for tuition assistance ___ receive funding through School Choice

Tamarack Waldorf High School Parent Form

1. What are your reasons for wishing that your child will attend Tamarack Waldorf High School?
2. What characteristics are you looking for in a school?
3. Has your child ever had any serious physical problems, illnesses or injuries? If so, please describe these and give the ages when they occurred.
4. Please describe any circumstances in your child's home, family or environment which may have had particularly positive or negative effects on his or her personal or school life.
5. Has your child undergone or is your child undergoing psychiatric or psychological counseling? If yes, please describe the nature of the therapy.
6. Has your child had any form of educational testing? _____ (yes/no) Child has IEP _____ (yes/no) When was the date of the most recent testing? _____ Please include a copy of the report.
7. Has your child had any significant learning, behavioral or emotional problems? Please describe.
8. Has your child repeated or skipped a grade? _____ (yes/no) If so, which grade? ____ Please explain.
9. To your knowledge, has your child used or experimented with alcohol or drugs? If so, please explain.

10. Please add any information you think would help us in reaching a decision on admission or in helping the applicant as a student here. (For example: special skills, interests, musical or artistic abilities, needs, temperamental characteristics, etc.) Please use an additional page if necessary.

11. What is the most recent math class in which your child is currently enrolled, or that he/she has completed? _____
Previous courses student has completed in Algebra and/or Geometry: _____

12. What Foreign Language(s) has your child studied? _____
Number of years student has completed in Foreign Language(s): _____

Student Name (please print) _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Tamarack Waldorf High School Student Form

Dear Student:

This is an opportunity for you to tell us about some aspects of your life so that we can get to know you better. Please answer the questions fully and honestly. Try to say what you really think, not what you feel we would like you to say. There are no "right" or "wrong" answers. Use another sheet of paper if you need more room. We look forward to reading your responses!

Name _____ Nickname _____

Place of Birth _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

A. School

1. Which subjects have you enjoyed the most and why?

2. What books have you recently read that particularly captured your interest? Why?

3. What do you like most about your present school?

4. If there was one thing you could change about your current school, what would that be?

5. What recent school experiences have you enjoyed or found value in? Include participation in any school organization or activities.

6. What foreign languages have you studied, and for how long?
7. Do you like to sketch, paint or sculpt? How much have you done? On your own? In school?
8. Please describe any craftwork such as weaving, pottery, metal-work, stained glass, stone-carving, woodcarving you may have done.
9. Have you done any building/repairing/tinkering projects of any kind? If so, describe them.

B. Performing Arts

1. Do you have any musical interests? Do you play an instrument? Do you know how to read music?
2. Do you like to sing? Have you studied music formally or have you taught yourself? Have you attended any concerts or operas?
3. Do you like to act? Have you ever acted in or contributed to a drama production? If so, please explain.

C. Athletics and Outdoor Activities

1. Please check any of the following you have participated in. Add any that are not listed:

Team sports:

Baseball Basketball Football Volleyball Soccer Hockey Lacrosse Track

Individual sports:

Tennis Swimming Bicycling Skiing Horseback Golf _____(Other)

2. Have you ever done any hiking or camping? If so, tell us about a few of your experiences.

D. Other Interests

1. How do you usually spend your free time?
2. Do you belong to any clubs or associations in or outside of school? Explain.

3. Do you have any regular jobs or responsibilities at home? What are they?
4. About how much time do you spend on the computer and/or watching TV for pleasure (not counting schoolwork) each day? Each week?
5. Do you plan on having a paid job during the school year? Why?

E. Other Questions

1. How do you see yourself relating to adults and people your own age?
2. Tamarack Waldorf High School faculty and students work hard to create a healthy academic and social life. Certain activities can interfere with the learning experience. The school does not support the use of tobacco, drugs or alcohol. Are you willing to abide by this policy?

F. Creative or Descriptive Essay

Write a paragraph describing a special interest you have and why you enjoy it. It might be a hobby, a school subject, a sport, some particular topic, or any activity important to you.

***Please bring to your interview one or two examples of what you consider to be your best work. These could be essays, poetry, paintings, musical performances, science projects, handwork or crafts.*



Authorization for Release of School Records

To the Parent(s) of the Applicant:

In order to make an admissions decision, you are welcome to provide copies or use this form. Complete this form only if you do not have copies of grades, reports, transcripts and standardized test scores already at your fingertips. Tamarack Waldorf High School cannot directly request a student's records: the request must be made through you. We would be happy to copy your originals of the grade reports/transcripts required for admission to Tamarack Waldorf High School. Please complete this form if needed and send it to the appropriate school(s):

AUTHORIZATION:

I hereby authorize _____ School to release copies of the requested records for _____ (student's name) at the earliest date, as there is a deadline for receipt of this material.

REASON FOR REQUEST:

Student is applying to Tamarack Waldorf High School for Grade _____ for the _____ school year.

RECORDS TO BE SENT:

Please send the following records for the current year and past years:

- Transcript of all semester grades for grades 7 and 8, including the current year;
- Test results, if any (CAT, PSAT, SAT, ACT et al);
- Record of special awards;
- IEP's or Accommodation Plans, if any

_____ Name of Student	_____ Birthdate	_____ Present Grade
_____ Name of Parent/Guardian		
_____ Parent Signature	_____ Date	