

# Admissions Policy



Parkway Middle School  
Kissimmee, Florida  
The School District of Osceola County

Parkway is an IB MYP World School



## Zoned Students

Parkway Middle School aims to provide a quality international education to as many students as possible. Based on the zoning boundaries established by The School District of Osceola County, Florida we will welcome all students zoned for our school into the Middle Years Program. This number will fluctuate often and will have a direct affect on the number of available spaces for any out-of-zone applicants .

## Application Information

Applications are required for any interested out-of-zone student. Required documents for the application consist of:

Complete a Choice Application through the School District of Osceola County Choice & Charter Department

The admissions form provides Parkway Middle School with basic student information such as name, identification number, address and phone number, current school information and parent information.

Application deadlines are determined by The School District of Osceola County on a yearly basis. Students and parents should understand that applications must be submitted in its entirety to be considered for admission. Applications turned in throughout the school year, or following the application deadline, will be considered based on available spaces per grade level.

## **Admissions Requirements**

Due to the fact that Parkway Middle School believes that the Middle Years Program can benefit all students, there are no admissions requirements. Rather, we believe that all applicants should understand that the faculty and administration at Parkway Middle School expect student applicants to be eager and motivated learners that will willingly commit to the academic rigors of the MYP curriculum. We also expect all out-of-zone applicants to commit to the full three years of the program. Such students may risk returning to their home-zoned school for failure to demonstrate high standards of academic integrity and exemplary conduct.

Following the application deadline, students from Thacker Avenue Elementary School for International Studies, a Primary Years Program IB World School Candidate, will receive priority for acceptance. The number will be determined by Parkway Middle School administration (Principal, Assistant Principal, and Coordinator) and will be based on available spaces and total number of applicants. Once the selection of TAESIS students has been completed, siblings of current MYP students will be selected, and then the remainder of students will be chosen for admission based on a lottery, or random selection. Students that are not accepted for admission will be placed on a waitlist and assigned numbers in a lottery fashion as well. Applications received following the admissions selection and waitlist process will be placed on the waitlist in the order of receipt. Notifications will be sent via USPS mail following the selection process and as needed based on current enrollment. Current out-of-zone students must submit an 'Intent to Return' form in order to remain at Parkway Middle School for the following school year.

Students and parents should understand that the submittal of an application to Parkway Middle School's Middle Years Program does not in any way guarantee acceptance into the program; rather, it signifies the commitment of both student and parents to maintain the integrity of the program if the student is chosen for admission.

## **Transportation**

Transportation is provided for out-of-zone students only via hub stations. For hub station transportation, parents must provide transportation to and from the hub station that best meets their needs. Transportation provided by The School District of Osceola County, Florida is provided from the hub stations to Parkway Middle School in the morning, and vice versa after school. Hub transportation is available at the following schools:

- Neptune Middle School
- Kissimmee Middle School
- Thacker Avenue Elementary School for International Studies
- Horizon Middle School
- Liberty High School

Transportation is not provided for before or after-school activities.

## **Further Information**

Once accepted, students must maintain good academic standing for the remainder of the current school year in order for admission to occur. This is stated in the acceptance letter sent to students following the application deadline.

Please refer to the following documents regarding further information on Parkway Middle School's Middle Years Program:

- ./ Language Policy
- ../ Academic Honesty Policy
- ./ Assessment Policy
- ../ Special Needs Policy

\*Parkway Middle School is an Authorized Middle Years Program World School\*\* These are schools that share a common philosophy- a commitment to high quality, challenging , international education that Parkway Middle School believes is important for our students.

\*\*Only schools authorized by the International Baccalaureate (IB) as 1B World Schools can offer any of its three academic programmes: the 1B Primary Years Programme (PYP), the IB Middle Years Programme (MYP), or the IB Diploma Programme.

For further information about the IB and its programmes, visit <http://www.ibo.org>.