

# Admissions Dates, Deadlines, and Tours

## Dates and Deadlines

We invite you to visit! Our Tour and Information Sessions are hosted throughout the school year. During a tour, families visit classes in session, have the opportunity to ask questions, and meet our school administrators.

### ADMISSIONS OFFICE CONTACT INFORMATION

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## Tour and Information Sessions 9:00–11:00 a.m.

Meet in the Middle and Upper School Library and Technology Center, in the Parents’ Association Room.

- Friday, October 7, 2016
- Friday, October 14, 2016
- Thursday, October 27, 2016
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- Thursday, November 3, 2016
- Friday, November 11, 2016
- .....
- Friday, December 2, 2016
- Friday, December 9, 2016
- .....
- Friday, January 6, 2017
- Friday, January 27, 2017
- .....
- Thursday, February 2, 2017
- Friday, February 10, 2017
- Friday, February 17, 2017
- .....
- Thursday, March 2, 2017
- Tuesday, March 7, 2017
- Thursday, March 30, 2017
- .....
- Thursday, April 6, 2017
- Tuesday, April 18, 2017
- Friday, April 28, 2017

Visit [www.ravenscroft.org/tour](http://www.ravenscroft.org/tour) to register for a tour. If you prefer to schedule a tour for another time, please contact our office at **919-848-6470**. After April, campus tours are scheduled on an as requested basis.

## Application Deadlines

To be considered for the first notification date, please submit the application, application fee, and all application materials to the Admissions Office by:

- January 6, 2017**  
PreK and Kindergarten
- February 1, 2017**  
Grades 1-12

We will continue to accept applications after these dates. After the deadlines above, applications are reviewed and offers of enrollment are made on a space-available basis.

## Enrollment Notifications

For applications submitted and completed by the above deadlines, families will be notified on the dates listed below.

- February 3, 2017** PreK and Kindergarten
- March 3, 2017** Grades 1-8
- March 10, 2017** Grades 9-12

**Enrollment deposits and contracts are due two weeks after admission notification date.**

# Admissions Process

## How to Apply

To receive early consideration, please submit your application, application fee, and all application materials to the Admissions Office by **January 6, 2017 for PreK and Kindergarten** applicants and **February 1, 2017 for 1st–12th grade** applicants.

The Admissions Office accepts applications after the first round consideration deadlines. At that time, applications are reviewed and enrollment is offered on a space-available basis.

1. Apply online: Go to **www.ravenscroft.org/admissions** to complete the application, pay the application fee, and download any supplemental forms.
2. Upon receiving the parent portion of the application, the Admissions Office will contact you to schedule a school visit and testing day.

\*If you need a paper application, please contact the Admissions Office directly:  
**admissions@ravenscroft.org**  
**919-848-6470**

## Admissions Process Checklist

### APPLICANTS TO PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN

1. Student screening/assessment and applicant visit (*scheduled by Admissions Office*)
  - PreK and Kindergarten applicant group visit dates:  
**Saturday, Nov. 5, 2016** or **Saturday, Jan. 7, 2017**
2. Teacher Observation form (completed by current teacher)
3. Complete and submit Parent Questionnaire form

### APPLICANTS TO GRADES 1-5

1. Student screening/testing and full-day student visit (*scheduled by Admissions Office*)
  - **Grades 4–5:** Schedule admission testing that will be administered at Ravenscroft on the following dates: **Dec. 3, 2016, Jan. 14, 2017, or Feb. 4, 2017**
2. Teacher Recommendations/Observations
  - **Grade 1:** Submit Teacher Observation form to current teacher
  - **Grade 2:** Submit Teacher Recommendation form to current teacher
  - **Grades 3–5:** Submit **two** Teacher Recommendation forms to current teacher(s)
3. Submit School Records Release form (completed by current school)
4. Parent Questionnaire form

### APPLICANTS TO GRADES 6-8

1. Schedule student testing and student visit (*scheduled by Admissions Office*)
2. Schedule admission testing that will be administered at Ravenscroft on the following dates:  
**Dec. 3, 2016, Jan. 14, 2017, or Feb. 4, 2017**
3. Teacher Recommendations (submitted by current English and math teachers)
4. School Records Release form (completed by current school)
5. Parent Questionnaire form
6. Student Questionnaire form (completed by the applicant in his/her own handwriting)

### APPLICANTS TO GRADES 9-12

1. Schedule student testing and student visit (*scheduled by Admissions Office*)
  - Schedule to take the SSAT (Secondary School Admission Test). Visit **www.ssat.org** for registration information and deadlines. Applicants will need to complete the SSAT by the January testing date to be in the first round of consideration.  
**Ravenscroft SSAT School Code 6010.**
2. Teacher Recommendations (submitted by current English and math teachers)
3. School Records Release form (completed by current school)
4. Parent Questionnaire form
5. Student Questionnaire form (completed by the applicant in his/her own handwriting)

## Factors for Admission

Ravenscroft is committed to ensuring that there is an appropriate match between the student and the School that is in keeping with our mission, vision, and values. All applications are reviewed and assessed considering the following factors:

- Developmental readiness, or level of academic achievement, of the applicant
- Evidence of the applicant’s potential for success in our college-preparatory program
- Evaluation of the applicant’s interpersonal skills and ability to adjust to the Ravenscroft community
- Evidence of parental cooperation and support

## Application Fees

PreK-Grade 8: \$125  
 Grades 9-12: \$70

## Admissions Timeline

September 1, 2016	Accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year
October - April	Tour and Information Sessions
October 15, 2016	Accepting financial aid applications online at TADS.com
November - April	Student visits
November 28, 2016	Financial Aid Information Session
November 29, 2016	Financial Aid Information Session
<b>January 6, 2017</b>	<b>PreK-K deadline:</b> All application materials are due for First Consideration, including financial aid application.
<b>February 1, 2017</b>	<b>Grades 1-12 deadline:</b> All application materials are due for First Consideration, including financial aid application.
February 3, 2017	PreK-K: First Consideration admissions enrollment notification
February 17, 2017	PreK-K: Deadline to enroll
March 3, 2017	Grades 1-8: First Consideration admissions enrollment notification
March 10, 2017	Grades 9-12: First Consideration admissions enrollment notification
March 17, 2017	Grades 1-8: Deadline to enroll
March 24, 2017	Grades 9-12: Deadline to enroll
February - August	Rolling admissions: Applications are still accepted after the First Consideration deadlines, and those that are received will be reviewed based on space availability. Once an application for admission is complete, families will be notified of admission decisions through the Online Admission Portal within two weeks.

# Screening and Testing

## Admissions Screening, Testing, and Student Visits

### STUDENT VISITS

Experiencing Ravenscroft in action is a critical and required part of your admissions process. By participating in age-appropriate activities in the classroom and on campus, the Student Visit gives both the applicant and the School an opportunity to see whether there is a good fit between them. The Student Visit includes attending classes, having lunch with peers, interacting with teachers, and participating in various grade-level electives.

Applicants visit in their current grade except for those applying to sixth and ninth grades. Current fifth-grade students applying for sixth grade visit in both grades until February. After February, applicants to sixth grade visit in the Middle School. Current eighth-grade students applying to ninth grade visit the Upper School.

### GROUP VISITS

#### PreK-K Group Visits:

Saturday, November 5, 2016  
Saturday, January 7, 2017

#### Grade 6 Group Visits:

Tuesday, December 6, 2016  
Monday, January 9, 2017  
Wednesday, February 1, 2017

### SCREENING/ADMISSIONS TESTING

**Grades PreK–3** applicants are administered a combination of grade-appropriate assessment tools, and the screening is conducted during the Student Visit.

**Grades 4–8** applicants will receive more information about testing and the testing dates after the Admissions Office receives your application. The applicant must participate in admission testing at Ravenscroft on one of the following dates:

Saturday, December 3, 2016  
Saturday, January 14, 2017  
Saturday, February 4, 2017

**Grades 9–12** applicants are required to take the SSAT (Secondary School Admission Test). To register for the SSAT, please visit [www.ssat.org](http://www.ssat.org) for registration information and deadlines. Applicants must complete the SSAT by the January testing date to be in the first round of consideration. Please send the official SSAT score report to Ravenscroft's **SSAT School Code 6010** once testing has been completed.

### 2016–17 SSAT TEST DATES

Saturday, October 15, 2016  
Saturday, November 12, 2016  
Saturday, December 10, 2016  
Saturday, January 7, 2017  
Saturday, February 11, 2017  
Saturday, March 4, 2017  
Saturday, April 22, 2017  
Saturday, June 10, 2017

## Enrollment Notification and Process

Admissions decisions are provided by the dates outlined in the Admissions Timeline and communicated to families through the Online Admission Portal.

Once a student is offered enrollment to Ravenscroft, a signed enrollment contract must be submitted with a non-refundable deposit of \$1,500 within two weeks.

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# Tuition and Fees 2016–2017

Pre-Kindergarten (8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)	\$ 9,940
Pre-Kindergarten Plus (8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)	\$10,940
Kindergarten	\$13,950
Grade 1	\$19,100
Grades 2-5	\$19,865
Grades 6-12	\$22,650

Tuition for 2017–2018 will be determined in January 2017.

## Sibling Discounts

Ravenscroft offers sibling discounts to all families paying full tuition with more than one child enrolled in the School. Families receiving financial assistance are not eligible. Those discounts are as follows:

### Second child enrolled

1.5% discount on one tuition (higher tuition will be discounted)

### Third child enrolled

2.5% discount on one tuition (higher tuition will be discounted)

### Fourth child enrolled

3.5% discount on one tuition (higher tuition will be discounted)

## Fees

Academic Skills (optional program, must qualify to enroll)	\$775 per quarter
Graduation Fee (Seniors only)	\$155
New Family Capital Fee* (alumni families are exempt)	\$1,500
Withdrawal Fee	\$1,750

(If withdrawn after June 1, 2017 and prior to the start of the school year)

Included in tuition is the cost of curricular trips. Curricular trips are defined as trips that enhance the curriculum and include the entire grade. Tuition does not include Fine Arts trips or international travel opportunities. Additional fees are charged for optional Private Lessons and some consumable instructional materials.

### \*NEW FAMILY CAPITAL FEE

A “new family” is one that does not have a child currently enrolled at Ravenscroft. The New Family Capital Fee is paid when a family enrolls their child(ren), and is a one-time-only fee, independent of the number of children enrolled. The New Family Capital Fee should not to be confused with the Enrollment Deposit, which is applied toward the total annual tuition. The New Family Capital Fee covers maintenance and improvement of our facilities, including work such as painting, landscaping, carpet replacement, and classroom, playground, and field repairs. Ravenscroft alumni families are not considered “new” and are therefore exempt from the New Family Capital Fee.

# Financial Aid at Ravenscroft

## Our Commitment

Ravenscroft is committed to providing an excellent educational experience to qualified students. Affordability is a significant consideration for any family considering a private independent school education. Ravenscroft is committed to offering grant-based financial aid to families with demonstrated financial need. While financial assistance is available to qualifying families, it is our policy and our expectation that everyone attending Ravenscroft shares in the financial responsibility of the cost of the education.

Priority for financial aid awards is given to families completing the process within the stated deadlines. It is important to note that a delay in completing the financial aid application will affect a family's consideration for aid.

In addition to financial aid, Ravenscroft offers a variety of merit-based scholarships. For more information, visit our website.

## Complete the Financial Aid Application

Families must apply online for financial aid at TADS.com, and the application for financial aid must be made at the same time as applying for admission. The process for requesting and receiving financial aid is separate from the admissions process; however at the time of Decision Notification, we do provide families with a status update on financial aid consideration.

*Applications for financial aid begin on Oct. 15, 2016, and the deadline for the TADS online application is the same as the admissions application deadline.*

Note: Your applications are confidential and are reviewed in the order they are completed and received.

## Required Documents

All documents must be sent directly to TADS or uploaded with your TADS financial aid application (please do not send tax documents to Ravenscroft). To complete your application, you must:

- Complete a TADS online financial aid application
- Provide to TADS copies of parents' last two years of federal tax returns
- Provide W-2 forms for both parents
- Submit most recent pay stubs for both parents

If you have questions regarding your TADS financial aid application or need assistance with sending in the required documentation, please contact TADS directly at:

TADS  
110 N. 5th Street,  
Second Floor  
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Email: [support@tads.com](mailto:support@tads.com)  
Phone: 1-800-477-8237  
(Mon-Fri, 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.  
Central Time)  
Fax: 612-548-3326

## Financial Aid Information Sessions

Any family considering financial aid is encouraged to attend the following information sessions. We will share a complete overview of the Ravenscroft financial aid process as well as the use of TADS.

### Monday, November 28, 2016

6:30-7:30 p.m., Parents' Association Room

### Tuesday, November 29, 2016

8:00-9:00 a.m., Parents' Association Room

## Financial Aid Decisions

Students must apply for admission and be accepted before a financial aid award can be offered. Financial aid awards can only be finalized after enrollment is accepted and a financial aid grant is offered.

Financial aid decisions are published at the same time the Admissions Office provides acceptance decision notifications. The decisions and notification are made available online through the Ravenscroft Online Admissions Portal.



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## Campus Map

