



*Arts Academy in the Woods*

*32101 Caroline Street, Fraser, MI 48026 ° 586.294.0391 phone ° 586.294.0617 fax*

# STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM

*The mission of Arts Academy in the Woods (AAW) is to provide equitable representation of Arts Education in Michigan. In the developing global environment, the interactions of academic disciplines with society are increasingly important to participating in world culture and economy. The integrated arts and arts technology program offered by Arts Academy in the Woods will prepare student to enter institutions of higher learning and help to define career goals as well as introduce them to global experience through international cooperative and exchange programs.*

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## Registration Form

Welcome to Arts Academy in the Woods (AAW). The mission of AAW is to provide an integrated arts and academic program with specialty areas in Music (Vocal and Instrumental), Visual Art, Dance, Theater (Drama), and Multimedia (Digital Imaging) that will give students the opportunity to investigate a core academic curriculum with an arts centered approach. The Arts Academy in the Woods is a fully accredited High School.

Arts Academy in the Woods will help students envision their future and gain confidence in their abilities to achieve their goals.

Students at AAW experience an arts-integrated core curriculum that allows them to prepare for advanced study in all major academic disciplines as well as the arts and humanities.

AAW students will be prepared to succeed in institutions of higher learning, to define and pursue career goals, and to grow as active participants in the global community.

In the interest of fulfilling our mission and providing the highest level of educational success for your child we present the following requirements for all AAW families desiring admittance to the Arts Academy in the Woods.

### **1. Graduation and Course Requirements**

The purpose of the promotion policy is to specify minimum requirements in academic credit accrual and art performance competencies to receive a graduation diploma from the Arts Academy in the Woods.

Credit Accrual: Students must successfully complete a minimum of 26 ½ credits\* to receive an AAW diploma including no less than 17 ½ academic course credits, 4 credits in art major, ½ credit for senior project in the art major, ½ credit in humanities, 2 credits in art outside of major, and 2 credits in other course work. Failed academic courses must be made up in summer school or in an approved program within the year following the failing grade. Transcripts must be turned in before school starts showing a passing grade in order to be counted toward the student's official grade placement.

#### **Required courses for graduation include:**

- ½ credit in Health
- 1 credit in Physical Education
- 2 credits in Foreign Language (must be in the same language)
- 4 credits in Math
- 3 credits in Social Studies (of which ½ credit is in Government)
- 4 credits in English
- 3 credits in Science
- 4 credits in your art major
- ½ credit senior project in art major
- 2 credits in other courses—art or academic
- 2 credits in art outside of major
- .5 credit in Humanities (taken in 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> grade)

Failing any 3 or more courses in a year will require the student to be retained and repeat the entire year. A pattern of failed classes for two or more years places the student on academic probation. A student's continuation at AAW will be dependent on successful adherence to a contract agreed upon by the school, student, and parents or guardians.

\*When a student transfers into AAW and has earned all possible credits offered from previous school, but is not on track to graduate on time from AAW, AAW can waive (after review of student's complete and official transcripts) elective credit requirements necessary for that student to graduate.

## **Art Competencies**

AAW is designed to provide students with interest in learning about the arts, gaining skills in the arts, and performance in the arts. While students are not required to pursue further art careers, all students must be prepared to take a minimum of 4 art classes in their major, at least ½ credit in their senior project (which is in their art major), and maintain adequate progress in their art major classes. In addition, students are required to take 2 art courses outside of their major(s) and 1 course in humanities in either the ninth or tenth grade. A failing grade in a student's art major places a student at risk for leaving the school. The mandatory art classes are included in the computation of overall grade point averages.

## **2. Parental Participation**

At AAW we believe the education of your child can only be successful with the commitment and full participation by students, staff, and parents. Research has shown that students who have parental involvement in their school benefit from an increased likelihood of educational success.

Therefore, it is strongly encouraged that all parents volunteer 20 hours per year in school related programs/activities. Examples of activities include but are not limited to, chaperoning field trips, office support, lunch room supervision, library assistance, etc.

## **3. Other Requirements**

Students wishing to enroll in AAW must provide the school with the additional following information:

- Birth Certificate
- Immunization record of all required shots
- Complete transcripts from the last school of attendance, or for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade final report cards.
- Book Deposit: At the beginning of the school year a book deposit of \$45.00 will be collected and held until all books are turned in at the end of the school year. If all books are turned in and in good condition the deposit will either be, according to the parents' wishes, refunded or rolled over to the next school year. The cost of damaged or lost books will be subtracted from the book deposit.
- Accurate and full disclosures of any previous or pending expulsions and administration transfers.

## **4. Enrollment Window**

Students may be admitted to AAW up to the first ten days of the beginning of the school year or second semester providing all application requirements are complete.

## **5. Placement**

Students must place in their chosen art areas and in certain academic areas for the school. These placements are used to make appropriate course selections.

**AAW STUDENT/PARENT INFORMATION**  
**TO BE COMPLETED BY PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN**

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Year \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date (Month/Day/Year) \_\_\_\_\_

Resident District \_\_\_\_\_ Is English your second language?  Yes  No

Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_ Is the student an immigrant?  Yes  No

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1. Parent/Legal Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Student \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Employer/Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

May we share your email address with:  AAW Staff and/or  FAPAPA (Parent's Group) President

2. Parent/Legal Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Student \_\_\_\_\_

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**Where did you first hear about us?**  Word of Mouth  AAW Website  Magazine/Newspaper  
 Flyer  Radio Advertisement  TV Advertisement  Concert or Other Local Event  
 Facebook, MySpace, Other website

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# PREVIOUS SCHOOL INFORMATION

Last School Attended \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

Zip Code

Have you been expelled from a previous school or are you in the process of being expelled?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Is there any other information or special accommodations that we need to know about to help your child be successful? Please explain. \_\_\_\_\_

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## STUDENT'S ARTISTIC INTEREST SURVEY

Check your major area (s) of interest. **If marking more than one list your priority order (1, 2, 3, etc.)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Dance  
Forms of Dance? \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Study? \_\_\_\_\_

What studio(s) have you attended? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Music  
\_\_\_\_\_ Vocal—Vocal Part? \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Study? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Instrumental—Instrument? \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Study? \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor or organization where have you taken private lessons? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Multimedia  
Area of Interest? \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Experience? \_\_\_\_\_

What programs do you have experience in? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Musical Theatre  
Area of Interest? \_\_\_\_\_ Experience? \_\_\_\_\_

What productions/workshops have you participated in? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Visual Art  
Area of Interest? \_\_\_\_\_ Experience? \_\_\_\_\_

What workshops/camps have you participated in? \_\_\_\_\_

## AGREEMENT FOR BOTH STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Arts Academy in the Woods offers students an integrated arts and academic curriculum in a positive and supportive learning environment. Parents and families play an important role in helping the students to succeed. We employ teaching techniques found in advanced arts studies with performance and real world application along with a strong academic core program. Our passing grade is D and above and there is no social promotion.

An effective school organization must include fair rules that will protect the rights of all and permit the educational process to proceed in a safe and orderly fashion. Therefore, it is a requirement of AAW that all students adhere to the Student Code of Conduct at all times during the school hours and at any school activities.

AAW is a school of **choice**. Students who choose to attend this school also agree to accept its rules and mission.

*I have read the Mission Statement and I will subscribe to it.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

*I will read the Student Code of Conduct and agree to be held accountable to its terms.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

*I have read the graduation, promotion, and course requirements and agree to be held accountable to its terms.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

We, the undersigned, certify that all statements made in this application are true, accurate, and complete; including all report cards, transcripts, letters of reference, essays, medical records, birth certificates, and other submitted documents.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date





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## Letter of Reference

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_

What **relationship do you share** with this student?  Teacher of: \_\_\_\_\_

At: \_\_\_\_\_  Mentor  Religious Community: \_\_\_\_\_

Specify other: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known this student? \_\_\_\_\_

What can you tell us, if anything, about this child's **interests, talents, or experiences in the arts?**

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Besides your knowledge of this student with regards to the arts, please tell us anything else that will help us get to know him/her. Use **specific instances or stories**, if possible.

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Do you believe this student would **benefit and succeed by attending AAW?** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

In what ways? \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please use the reverse of this form to add any comments regarding this student's application to AAW.*

I recommend this student to AAW.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address, City, Zip Code



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Date of Request: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ has enrolled at Arts Academy in the Woods as of

\_\_\_\_\_ .

**Please forward the complete school record of the following student, showing subjects, marks, test scores, grade placement, health record and Educational Development Plan. Also, please include any psychological information, IEPs or 504 plans on file, which may be kept in a separate location.**

These official school records should be sent to:

Arts Academy in the Woods  
Attn: COUNSELING DEPARTMENT  
32101 Caroline Street  
Fraser, MI 48026

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Entering: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's (or Administrator's) Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Under the provisions of the Privacy Rights of Parents and Students Act, page 1213 Subpart D (b), it is not necessary to have written consent of the parents to release records "to officials of other schools or school systems in which the student seeks or intends to enroll."



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## Publications, Video, Internet Consent and Release Agreement

Students who attend Arts Academy in the Woods are occasionally asked to be a part of school publicity, publications and/or public relations activities. In order to guarantee student privacy and ensure your agreement for your student to participate, Arts Academy in the Woods asks that you sign this form and return it to the school.

### AGREEMENT

Arts Academy in the Woods agree that the student's name, picture, art, written work, voice, verbal statements, portraits (video or still) shall only be used for public relations, public information, school promotion (including the school website), publicity, and instruction.

The student agrees to allow AAW to use the student's name, picture, art, written work, voice, verbal statements or portraits (video or still) to appear in school publicity or AAW publications, videos or on the school website. For example, pictures and articles about school activities may appear in local newspapers or district publications. These pictures and articles may or may not personally identify the student. The pictures and/or videos may be used by the school in subsequent years.

Where text on a page is not associated with an accompanying image (example: a list of scholarship award winners), first names, or first initial and last name of students may be used without a signed waiver prior to publishing in these cases.

**Arts Academy in the Woods and School will immediately comply with any request by a parent, legal guardian or student for the removal of specific photographs featuring their child or references to their child's name.**

**No other personal information about a student, including email address, phone number, or home address will be released.**

The student understands and agrees that:

- No monetary consideration shall be paid;
- Consent and release have been given without coercion or duress;
- This agreement is binding upon heirs and/or future legal representatives;
- The photo, video or student statements may be used in subsequent years.

If the Student (and/or Parent/Guardian) wishes to rescind this agreement they may do so at any time with written notice to the office administration or Mrs. Mantey. Rescinding approval will affect future print publications and all information on the website; however, photos which have already appeared in print or gone to press (brochures, newspapers, etc.) may not be able to be withdrawn.

**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name)

**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

**Parent's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

**Date of Agreement:** \_\_\_\_\_



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## AFFIRMATION OF PRIOR DISCIPLINE RECORD

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check two:

- The undersigned affirms that the student above **has not been suspended** from any public or private school in Michigan or any other state within the last two years.
- The undersigned affirms that the student above **has never been expelled** from any public or private school in Michigan or any other state.
- The undersigned affirms that the student above **has been suspended** from a public or private school in Michigan or any other state within the last two years.
- The undersigned affirms that the student above **has been expelled** from a public or private school in Michigan or any other state.

If you checked the third or fourth box above, explain the circumstances in detail. Include the school name, dates of suspension or expulsion, and a description of the incident giving rise to the suspension or expulsion.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I legally attest that the statements above are, to the best of my knowledge, truthful. I understand that a willful false statement on this affirmation will result in a report to the school administration. In addition, I understand that the prior school will be contacted for verification.

Signature of student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of current/former school: \_\_\_\_\_

City and State: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Current/Former School:** Please fill out the information below and fax back to 586-294-0617.

Please check one:  The statements above are accurate  The statements above are NOT accurate

*If the student has been suspended within the preceding two years or expelled at anytime, please forward the appropriate documentation.*

Signature of Current/Former School Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_