2020-2021 Enrollment Information Packet
Flagstaff Academy Open Enrollment FAQs

- **What does filling out an ONLINE Application at Flagstaff Academy do?** Filling out an Online Application informs us that you want to enroll your child at Flagstaff Academy. Offer lists are then created with this information and are first-come, first-served by Preference categories. **Our Enrollment Application process begins ONLINE ONLY on Sunday, December 1, 2019 at 7AM (MST). If you don’t have access to a computer, we are available to assist you on Monday, December 2 after 8:15AM.**

- **We’ve been told that it can be hard to get into Flagstaff Academy? Is this the case?** We’ve enjoyed a vibrant enrollment process throughout our history; however, we always have room for and welcome families who want to experience the Dragon educational culture.

- **Enrollment Application lists are sorted by Preference categories and time/date stamp.** Priority preference will be granted as follows and in the following order of preference:
  1. Students presently attending Flagstaff Academy (K-8). Please note that separate “Intent to Return” forms are emailed to all current Flagstaff families on Sunday, December 1, 2019
  2. Siblings of students already enrolled at Flagstaff Academy
  3. Children of Founding Families
  4. Children of full and part-time staff members
  5. Students presently enrolled in Flagstaff Academy Preschool (for those applying for Kindergarten only)
  6. Students residing in the St. Vrain Valley School District
  7. All other students

- **When will I find out if I have an offer?** We begin the process of extending offers via email in early December. We will continue to extend offers until 3:00 p.m. on October 1, 2020. Please note that not receiving an offer in December 2019 isn’t an indication that you will not receive one at a later date.

- **How can I find out how high on the offer list I am?** There is always movement on the list, as things change with families who fill out the Online Application. Our online system will assign a number that will allow you to check your application status. Please take note of your enrollment application number. You can also contact Sheila Strukel, our registrar, at any time throughout the process at enroll@flagstaffacademy.org.
Academic Achievements

Flagstaff Academy is recognized as a leader in rigorous, caring education across the State of Colorado. Our achievements speak for themselves:

- **2019 Colorado Trailblazer School to Watch**
- **Level Five Quality Rating Preschool** (Colorado Shines)
- **Two-time National Association of Special Education Teachers Exceptional Charter School**
- **Three-time John Irwin School of Excellence Winner** (Colorado Department of Education Top 8% of Schools Achievement) Winner
- **#1 Middle School in Colorado** (2014-Colorado School Grades)
- **Multi-year Corden Pharma Regional STEM Fair Winners**
- **Middle School State Robotics Champions, as well as “Vex Design” and “Honor by Design” Award Winners**
- **Top Ten in Colorado (2014 and 2016) and #1 in Colorado (2015) in English Language Proficiency Assessment**
- **High School Readiness:** A majority of our alumni take Honors, Advanced Placement, and International Baccalaureate courses, assume leadership roles in high school, and move on to four-year colleges, as well as vocational schools, and military service.
2020-2021 Online Application Timeline

Sunday, December 1, 2019
Online Enrollment Application Kickoff
At 7:00 AM (MST)

Early to mid-December 2019
Offers begin via email and phone. Please accept or decline within 24 hours, using the link provided in the emailed offer.

You’re Not Done Yet! After accepting, you will be emailed instructions on how to complete the full online registration process, including submitting birth certificate, immunization records, and any applicable fees.

October 1, 2020 at 3:00 PM (MST)
Offers end for the 2020-2021 School Year
Leader in Technology Education Since 2005

Flagstaff Academy has been a leader in technology education since our doors opened in 2005. We’re proud to continue Flagstaff Academy’s mission that is based upon science and technology. Here is a sampling of the excellent technology opportunities your student will have access to every day:

- Our Elementary SmartLab which delivers technology, engineering, and science to our Dragons every week.
- For the 2019-2020 school year, Flagstaff Academy is sponsoring a total of twelve robotics teams made up of elementary and middle school students. For the past two years, we’ve hosted district tournaments and for the second year in a row, our robotics students have participated in the world championship.
- Flagstaff Academy sponsors three middle school CyberPatriots teams who compete in the world of networking and cybersecurity.
- The development of a comprehensive computer science progression in middle school to prepare students for programming and AP Computer Science classes in high school.
- School-wide participation in the celebration of computer science for Hour of Code, which takes place during the first week of December. Our middle school computer science students will teach our K-8th grade classes how to program and code.
- Three middle school students have served as interns at the SVVSD Innovation Center on the aquatic robotic team.
- Three middle school teachers have worked on the robotics and computer science collaborative for SVVSD, which creates curriculum for schools that is aligned to national standards, with the intention of integrating into all content areas. This includes developing exit outcomes for high school graduates in robotics, engineering design process, and computer science.
SmartLab® Next Generation STEM and Media Arts

SmartLabs offer a high-engagement curriculum and learning lab where students explore STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, and Media Arts) through applied technology and project-based learning. SmartLab Curriculum is aligned to Next Generation Science, STEM, Media Arts, Colorado Academic Standards, and Core Knowledge for our students. SmartLabs creates a rigorous environment for students that is tied to core academics and provides hands-on learning that sparks their imagination and sense of collaboration.

Students experience and explore multiple challenge lessons and topics including: Circuitry, Computer Graphics, Digital Communications, Mechanics and Structures, Robotics and Control Technology, Scientific, Data and Analysis, Software Engineering, Sustainability, Lift Off Challenges, and Express Challenges. Teachers can customize the lessons and their presentations to students and is designed to be used in Science, Math, Social Studies, and other subjects to enhance lessons throughout the school.
Greenhouse Classroom and Garden

As the only charter public school in Northern Colorado with a geodesic greenhouse classroom, Flagstaff Academy integrates this unique learning environment into every grade level, from Preschool to Middle School. Our combined grade levels spend an average of 15-20 hours as part of their science curriculum. As well, our Middle School Advanced Science Lab meets in the Greenhouse once a week.

Randall Geo-Conservatory Greenhouse Classroom

Our Randall Geo-Conservatory, an 850 square foot geodesic dome located in the school's courtyard, is an example of our school's entrepreneurial and hands-on approach to learning. A winner of a $5,000 Pepsi Grant, Flagstaff Academy rallied and raised the funds to build the greenhouse classroom with a fully functioning aquaponics eco-system in place. Support came from parent donations, fundraisers, as well as charitable grants from Whole Foods, Home Depot, and the Johnson Ohana Charitable Foundation.

Local Farming and Harvest Days

In addition to the greenhouse, Flagstaff Academy is very proud of our outdoor garden, which includes a pollinator area, pumpkin patch, an aviary, as well as a small native prairie grass plot. Students plant seeds each spring and the entire community enjoys the fall harvest every year!

Flagstaff Academy is a past recipient of a Chef Ann Foundation “Project Produce” grant. We’ve hosted “Harvest Days,” featuring locally grown produce in partnership with the SVVSD Nutrition Services and Boulder County Farmers Market. In addition, Flagstaff Academy has a student-run “Green Team,” dedicated to bringing awareness to the growing issue of Food Waste, with a school-wide Food Rescue Table initiative.
Character Education

The moment you walk in the door at Flagstaff Academy, you’ll encounter what we lovingly refer to as our “Dragon Culture,” epitomized by Dragon PRIDE Core Virtues. Our school mascot is a dragon, representing strength, character, respect, loyalty, and always striving to do our best. We display our Dragon PRIDE throughout the school, from banners in the hallway, classrooms, parking lot, as well as in our school-wide expectations. Our diverse culture is supportive, celebratory, accountable, and welcomes students, staff, and faculty from all walks of life.
Preschool Enrollment
Flagstaff Academy offers open enrollment for all preschool students. Enrollment practices are non-discriminatory and based on a priority preference policy. A one-time, NON-REFUNDABLE registration fee of $100 is due upon enrollment.

2020–2021 Enrollment Applications Now Being Accepted

2020-2021 Programs and Tuition:
(class names correspond to number of school days, not age)

Two-day Morning Program (PK2)
Tuesday-Thursday
3 & 4 year old children (must be 3 by 10/01/20)
Time: 8:30–11:20 a.m.
Tuition: $2500 per year (paid monthly)

Three-day Morning Program (PK3)
Monday-Wednesday-Friday
4 & 5 year old children (must be 4 by 10/01/20)
Time: 8:30–11:20 a.m.
Tuition: $3000 per year (paid monthly)

Four-day Afternoon Program (PK4)
Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday
4 & 5 year old children (must be 4 by 10/01/20)
Time: 12:20–3:10 p.m.
Tuition: $3500 per year (paid monthly)

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Flagstaff Academy
Preschool Program
Colorado Shines Level 5 Rating

Only Preschool in the St. Vrain Valley and Boulder Valley School Districts to receive the highest rating!
What does LEVEL 5 mean?

Colorado Shines is a quality rating and improvement system for all of Colorado’s licensed early learning programs for ages birth through preschool. It encourages and supports programs to improve their quality and to connect with families looking for quality care for their children, which help children start early and start strong.

Flagstaff Academy Preschool Program

(Tuition and fees located on back)

Flagstaff Academy Preschool, now in its 11th year, offers a high quality, part-time preschool program for ages 3-5 years old. The fee-based program incorporates the Core Knowledge Preschool Sequence Curriculum and Early Learning Developmental Guidelines. Children in the preschool program develop both socially and academically, meet new friends, resolve conflict, and discover that learning is fun through play-based activities.

In a positive and fun environment, the children learn through play with a multisensory approach which includes:

- Acting out nursery rhymes (with props)
- Letter sounds through games and songs
- Number concepts through movement and hands-on activities
- Classic stories with puppets and child participation

Our long-term, experienced staff hold Bachelor’s degrees, are Early Childhood Education qualified teachers, and Pyramid Plus certified. Our specialized teachers offer music, Spanish, nutrition, and the Greenhouse classroom and garden. Flagstaff Academy Preschool is Healthy Eating and Active Learning (HEAL) certified and includes health, wellness, yoga, movement, and mini-miles.

Flagstaff Academy Preschool’s main focus is to make early learning fun from the very beginning. Staff empowers the children to problem solve, learn self-regulation, take safe risks, and use dialogue to express feelings and become effective communicators.

Flagstaff Academy Preschool provides an environment where children can explore new areas and develop at their own rate. The nurturing staff is dedicated to your child’s social, emotional, and academic development.

If you have questions about our Preschool program, or are interested in enrolling for the 2020-2021 school year, please contact:

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Flagstaff Academy Preschool
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Dragon Flight
Before/After School Care,
Enrichment, and Summer Camp
Safe, Structured, and Positively Fun!

For more information please contact:
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Flagstaff Academy Dragon Flight accepts families receiving state assistance through Colorado Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP). Families interested in the CCAP may visit the Colorado Office of Early Childhood website at www.coloradoofficeofearlychildhood.com.
Flagstaff Academy offers an in-house Dragon Flight fee-based program which provides on-site before and after school care and enrichment classes for K-8th grade, as well as Summer Camp, Conference and Late Start Care, Non School Day Care, and Parents Night Outs. Dragon Flight offers homework assistance for students as well as extracurricular activities.

The purpose of the Flagstaff Academy Dragon Flight program is to provide opportunities through care that will enrich the lives of children in a safe and welcoming environment, supporting them to realize their highest potential. The Dragon Flight care staff offer extended learning opportunities to enhance school achievement, enrichment, and recreation providing a well rounded experience for the children in their care.

The primary goal of the program is to provide a safe, structured, and positive environment which allows children to be creative, sociable, and happy. Our objective is to work as a team with the school staff by offering activities which supplement class work and support the well-being of children.

**Enrichment Classes**
Building on our school’s motto of “Where Science and Imagination Take Flight,” Dragon Flight offers a wealth of after-school enrichment classes. New classes are added weekly, and all are structured around our Core Knowledge-based teaching. A sample of Dragon Flight offerings include:

- Private Piano Lessons
- Little Coders
- Young Rembrandts Art Classes
- Spanish (grades K-3)
- Science Matters
- Musical Theater
- Chess Club
- Olympics-style Fencing
- Mountain Kids Yoga
- Renaissance Adventure
- and more!

**Summer Camps**
Dragon Flight Summer Camps are open to the public with options for grades K-5th grade, Teens, and Speciality Camps. The camp runs from late May to end of July.

Fee and Registration Information, visit flagstaffacademy.org/apps/pages/before-school-care/fees/