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COLUMBUS TUSTIN MIDDLE SCHOOL  
**GATE/STEAM MAGNET PROGRAM**  
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Middle School \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Current School \_\_\_\_\_ Entering Grade (Please circle) 6 7 8

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**Please submit the following by January 11, 2019**

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**Items 1 – 4 must be submitted as a COMPLETE PACKET either by mail or by e-mail**

1. Application for Admission (**completed by the STUDENT**)
2. Student and Parent Agreement
3. Copy of most recent report card
4. Copy of most recent CAASPP scores

**Item 5 must be mailed or e-mailed by the recommending teacher directly to Columbus Tustin**

5. **Two** teacher recommendations – **must be received** no later than January 11, 2019

**Note:** one recommendation must be from the *current math or science teacher*

**Parent Information Meeting December 11, 2018 at 6:00pm or December 19, 2018 at 8:15 am**

**Magnet School Tours January 16, 2019 at 9 am or 11 am**

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**ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR REVIEW**

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**If accepted, I agree to make a formal commitment to enrollment in the Magnet Program by February 1, 2019. I understand that if I am accepted and am not able to make a formal commitment, my seat will be given to a student on the waitlist.**

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Letters of admission will be mailed by January 28, 2019**

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This page of the application **MUST** be handwritten and completed entirely by the student. Candid student responses will allow the admissions committee to better understand each student. For this reason it is very important for the student to compose all answers. Please attach additional pages if needed to complete your answers.

1. Compose a paragraph that explains your reasons for applying to the Magnet Program and how this program will help you achieve your academic goals for the future.

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2. What do you like most about school? Why? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. We all have challenges in our lives. What do you find challenging in school? Please explain.

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*The Magnet Program is a **challenging, accelerated, and demanding academic program**. Students are expected to complete ALL nightly homework and long-term projects ON TIME and maintain at least a “B” average, in addition to entering academic competitions and contests. One of the unique qualities of Magnet students is that they are **able to successfully manage a busy schedule** that balances academics, sports, community involvement, family and religious commitments, as well as fun and social activities.*

4. What do you believe is the key for you to be a successful Magnet student?

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5. Are you the sibling of a current or former Columbus Tustin Magnet student? (Please circle)    **No**    **Yes**

Name of sibling \_\_\_\_\_ Year(s) of Magnet attendance \_\_\_\_\_

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**COLUMBUS TUSTIN MIDDLE SCHOOL  
GATE/STEAM MAGNET PROGRAM  
PARENT AND STUDENT AGREEMENT**

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**Please read this agreement carefully.  
Signing this agreement is a condition of acceptance to the Magnet Program.**

As a student of the Columbus Tustin GATE/STEAM Magnet Program in the Tustin Unified School District, I will:

- Strive for excellence in my academic work
- Maintain a **3.00 Academic GPA** (Math, Science, Language Arts, and Social Studies)  
**Note:** Field trips, science camp, and other Magnet privileges depend on maintaining a 3.00 Academic GPA.
- Show respect and courtesy to all students, teachers, administrators, and staff members
- Be responsible for taking good care of all equipment, materials and supplies
- Observe the Homework Policy, completing all assignments neatly, accurately and on time, and making up any work missed during absences
- Actively participate in the program classes and activities so that the learning of all students in the program and at Columbus Tustin Middle School is enhanced
- Comply with the Tustin Unified School District and Columbus Tustin Middle School policies for Discipline, Attendance, Academic Honesty, Dress code and Conduct
- Actively participate in all Magnet Fundraisers

**I have read the above agreement and will abide by it.**

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

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As a parent or guardian of a student participating in the Columbus Tustin GATE/STEAM Magnet Program at Columbus Tustin Middle School in the Tustin Unified School District, I will:

- Support the goals, philosophy, and programs of the school
- Support Magnet Fundraisers, as well as, academic and extra-curricular activities (minimum 20 hours/year)
- Assist my child in completing all program requirements
- Participate in conferences with program and school personnel as requested and support mutually-agreed-upon decisions
- Know and enforce the Homework Policy, and provide conditions at home conducive to study
- Be responsible for reading, with my child, all district policies and procedures for Discipline, Academic Honesty, Attendance, Dress Code and Conduct
- Be responsible for my child's attendance and prompt arrival to school each day

I understand that the Columbus Tustin GATE & STEAM Magnet Program provides an alternative program of my choice and no transportation is provided for my child.

I understand that the Columbus Tustin GATE & STEAM Magnet Program requires a one-year attendance commitment, unless my child is dismissed from the program by the administration for not meeting the terms of this contract.

I understand that failure to comply with this agreement will be grounds for transfer from the GATE & STEAM Magnet Program at the discretion of the principal.

**I have read the above agreement and I will abide by it.**

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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 TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM

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*17952 Beneta Way, Tustin, CA 92780*  
 You may also E-MAIL this form to: [ctmagnet@tustin.k12.ca.us](mailto:ctmagnet@tustin.k12.ca.us) Subject: Magnet Recommendation

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Please consider how the student compares to ALL 5<sup>th</sup> Graders in TUSD.**

	No basis for judgment	Below Average	Average (Top 50% in TUSD)	Good (Top 25% in TUSD)	Excellent (Top 10% in TUSD)	Outstanding (Top 5% in TUSD)
<b>Mathematics Ability</b>	0	1	2	3	4	5
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<b>Writing Ability</b>	0	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Reading Comprehension</b>	0	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Academic Motivation:</b> initiative, pride in work, willingness to go above and beyond	0	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Homework Habits:</b> quality, timeliness	0	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Organization and Work Habits</b>	0	1	2	3	4	5
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**Do you recommend this student for the Columbus Tustin Magnet Program? (Please circle)**

Yes

No

With reservations

Please explain your recommendation, as well as any rankings below Excellent.

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Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Subject/grade you taught this student \_\_\_\_\_ School year \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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