



Winston Preparatory School
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Dear Families,

Thank you for your interest in Winston Preparatory School. We are proud of our unique educational program for students in grades 4-12 with learning differences. At Winston, each student's program is designed to develop essential skills while challenging his or her strengths. In our highly successful Focus Program, each student receives a daily period of one-to-one instruction concentrating on his or her greatest area of need. The implementation of the program has allowed us to further personalize instruction and strategies so that our students can better understand themselves, verbalize their needs and become independent learners. The process of placement and program design is informed by an in-depth understanding of the individual that begins with the information you share with us during the application process. Please refer to the enclosed application procedure checklist for further explanation of required information. Additionally, all prospective parents/guardians are required to attend an Open House and are asked to RSVP on our website at www.winstonprep.edu/apply-now. Please refer to the enclosed schedule to determine what date fits best within your schedule. Please contact the admissions office with any other questions regarding the application process via telephone (203-229-0465, ext. 5600) or email (mrolfe@winstonprep.edu).

We look forward to meeting you at one of our Open Houses and sharing information regarding Winston Preparatory School.

Respectfully,

Michelle Rolfe
Director of Admissions



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WPS APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Winston Preparatory School accepts students on a rolling basis. The following materials are required in order to consider your application complete. Upon receipt of the above materials, the Admissions Committee will review your application in an initial screening. If the Committee believes the applicant may be an appropriate match for our program, your child will be invited for a school visit and interview. All applicants will be notified of the Committee's findings within three weeks of the initial screening and/or interview. Winston is a school for students with specific learning disorders, such as dyslexia, ADHD and Nonverbal Learning Disorders. Winston Preparatory School does not accept students with primary behavioral or emotional symptoms.

Please forward all information to the campus you are applying to:

Winston Preparatory School CT Office of Admissions 57 West Rocks Road Norwalk, CT 06851	Winston Preparatory School NJ Office of Admissions 901 Route 10 East Whippany, NJ 07981	Winston Preparatory School NY Office of Admissions 126 West 17 th Street New York, NY 10011	Winston Preparatory School LI Office of Admissions 30 Deforest Road Dix Hills, NY 11746
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- Current (within 2 years) Psychoeducational or Neuropsychological Evaluation with cognitive, achievement and projective testing (see examples below). Please submit a copy. Do not submit the original document.
 - Cognitive function: WISC IV or WISC V (Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children).
 - Academic Achievement: WJ-III Achievement (Woodcock Johnson IV) or WIAT IV (Wechsler Individual Achievement Test).
 - Projective Psychological Function: Rorschach and/or the Thematic Apperception Test and/or BASC (Behavioral Assessment Scale for Children).
- Application for the 2020-2021 Academic Year
- \$100.00 Non-Refundable Application Fee (paid to Winston Preparatory School)
- Completed Parental Statement
- School Transcripts/Report Cards
- Completed Teacher/Specialist Recommendation Form
- Completed Information Release Form
- Recent Photograph (Digital photos submitted via email are acceptable.)
- Attendance at a Prospective Parent Open House



CT APPLICATION for the 2020-2021 Academic Year

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Legal name of applicant _____

Preferred nickname (if any) _____ Date of birth _____

Home address _____
Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Country _____

Have you applied to WPS in the past? Yes No If yes, when did you apply? _____

Current school _____

Current grade _____ Applying for grade _____ Are you interested in immediate placement? Yes No

School address _____ Telephone _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Former school(s): _____ from _____ to _____
_____ from _____ to _____
_____ from _____ to _____

2. HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Please complete the following information, as applicable.

HOUSEHOLD NO. 1

PARENT/GUARDIAN

PARENT/GUARDIAN

Name _____

Relationship to applicant _____

Home address _____

Home phone _____

Cell phone _____

Email address _____

Occupation/Position _____

Company _____

Address _____

Business phone _____

College/University _____

Name _____

Relationship to applicant _____

Home address _____

Home phone _____

Cell phone _____

Email address _____

Occupation/Position _____

Company _____

Address _____

Business phone _____

College/University _____



Does the applicant live in a second household? _____

HOUSEHOLD NO. 2

PARENT/GUARDIAN

Name _____
 Relationship to applicant _____
 Home address _____

 Home phone _____
 Cell phone _____
 Email address _____
 Occupation/Position _____
 Company _____
 Address _____
 Business phone _____
 College/University _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN

Name _____
 Relationship to applicant _____
 Home address _____

 Home phone _____
 Cell phone _____
 Email address _____
 Occupation/Position _____
 Company _____
 Address _____
 Business phone _____
 College/University _____

Name(s) of sibling(s) age(s), and current school(s) _____

How did you hear about Winston Prep?

- | | | | |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluator | <input type="checkbox"/> Consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> School | <input type="checkbox"/> Advertisement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advocate or attorney | <input type="checkbox"/> Friend or Family member | <input type="checkbox"/> Internet | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Please elaborate: _____

3. MEDICAL AND TREATMENT INFORMATION

1. Please list any allergies or health issues that require special attention.
2. Please list all of your child's current prescribed medications and dosages.
3. Has your child been diagnosed with any medical or mental health conditions? Please explain.



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4. OPEN HOUSE ATTENDANCE

Attendance to an Open House is mandatory for prospective parents/guardians. During an Open House, you will have the opportunity to hear more about our educational philosophy, tour the school, observe students and classes and participate in a question and answer session. Please review the enclosed schedule and register your attendance.

Parents/Guardians required Open House date _____
Date of Open House attendance

5. SIGNATURE

This application is a request for admission. This application for admissions becomes binding only when the student is evaluated, accepted, and you have delivered a fully signed Enrollment Agreement to Winston. Please complete, sign and return this form with the \$100.00 application fee and a current photograph of your child.

 Parent or Guardian name (please print) Parent or Guardian Signature

 Date

ADDITIONAL CONTACT(S): As signer of this application you are the primary point of contact for all admissions communication. If you wish to also designate your spouse or anyone else to receive direct communication, please indicate their names and contact information below.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Preferred email and/or phone: _____

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Preferred email and/or phone: _____

The Winston Preparatory School admits students of any race to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded to students at this school. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, religion, or national origins in the administration of education policies, athletic programs, financial aid, payment plans, and other school administered programs.



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**To learn more about the Winston Prep Community,
you are invited to attend one of our Open Houses:**

Friday morning, September 20th @ 9:30 am

Friday morning, October 11th @ 9:30 am

Friday morning, November 1st @ 9:30 am

Wednesday evening, November 13th @ 6:00 pm

Friday morning, January 24th @ 9:30 am

Friday morning, February 28th @ 9:30 am

Wednesday evening, March 11th @ 6:00 pm

Friday morning, April 24th @ 9:30 am

Friday morning, May 15th @ 9:30 am


Friday morning, June 5th @ 9:30 am

During our Open House you will have the opportunity to hear more about our educational philosophy and tour our school.

Please RSVP through Winston Prep's website at www.winstonprep.edu/apply-now, or email Danielle Hawaux (dhawaux@winstonprep.edu) your name, phone number and planned date of attendance.

Please understand, attendance is limited to Parents & Professionals only.

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PARENTAL STATEMENT

An understanding of each individual drives Winston's educational program. In keeping with this spirit and philosophy, please thoughtfully share with us all that may be helpful in getting to know your child. Please attach responses on a separate page.

QUESTIONS:

1. Please describe your child, including strengths, weaknesses, personal relationships and interests outside of school.
2. Please describe your child's school experience, including the circumstances surrounding the onset of school related difficulties.
3. Is your child currently receiving support services (speech-language therapy, counseling, tutorial) within or outside of their current academic setting? Please describe type and frequency of service.
4. Why do you feel Winston Prep would be a good school for your child?



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TRANSCRIPT RELEASE

We require a transcript of the current and the previous academic years. Please fill out the below information and present this form to your child's current school. This form will authorize the school to forward a copy of your child's transcript and a teacher/counselor report to Winston's Admissions Office. The current school should mail the official school transcript and reports directly to Winston Preparatory School.

Present School _____

Address _____

I authorize you to send an official school transcript and a teacher or counselor report for my child, _____, to:

Circle One

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I understand that the report is confidential between the sending school and Winston Preparatory School.

Parent's Signature _____

Date _____



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TEACHER/SPECIALIST RECOMMENDATION FORM

Please have a current teacher, learning specialist, and/or counselor complete both pages and send responses directly to Winston Preparatory School's Admissions Office.

Applicant Name: _____

Teacher/Specialist Name: _____

Winston Preparatory School is a co-ed day school for 4th through 12th grade students with learning differences such as dyslexia, nonverbal learning disabilities, expressive or receptive language disorders, and executive functioning difficulties. Our individualized educational program is based on an in-depth understanding of each student's learning profile, with explicit skill and content instruction taught in small classes averaging ten students each. Students are placed in class cohorts based on their learning profile, skill level, and social-emotional needs. Importantly, students participate in a daily, one-to-one instructional period, Focus, which serves as the diagnostic and instructional centerpiece of their experience. With this information in mind, please answer the following questions.

1. How long, and in what capacity, have you known the applicant?

2. Describe the applicant's academic strengths.

3. Describe the applicant's academic challenges.

4. Describe the applicant's level of engagement and social interactions on a typical day.

5. Describe an ideal classroom and school setting for the applicant.

6. Please provide any additional information we should know when making an enrollment decision.



Please rate the applicant on the following qualities, based on your current understanding.
Ratings range from 1.0 (strongly disagree) to 4.0 (strongly agree).

<i>Student name:</i>	1	2	3	4
1. The student is consistently resilient. <i>Comments:</i>				
2. The student is able to be a clear and direct communicator. <i>Comments:</i>				
3. The student understands and consistently demonstrates the link between effort and achievement. <i>Comments:</i>				
4. The student is consistently an appropriate self-advocate (they ask for help and clarification). <i>Comments:</i>				
5. The student is a consistently effective and helpful member of the community. <i>Comments:</i>				
6. The student demonstrates regulation and self-control consistently. <i>Comments:</i>				
7. The student is reflective and self-aware. <i>Comments:</i>				
8. The student is an adaptive, creative, and effective problem solver. <i>Comments:</i>				
9. The student is consistently timely and organized. <i>Comments:</i>				

Should the admissions office need additional information or clarification, I may be contacted at:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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INFORMATION RELEASE FORM

Please complete, sign and return this form with the application.

Full name of applicant: _____

I give authorization for the following professionals to provide any pertinent and confidential information regarding my child's medical, psychological, and academic functioning with Winston Preparatory School, as part of my child's application for admissions for the 2020-2021 school year. I understand that the information requested is for professional use and will remain confidential.

School Principal/ Guidance Counselor	Name:	Phone:
		Email:
Psychologist/ Therapist	Name:	Phone:
		Email:
Evaluator/ Ed Consultant	Name:	Phone:
		Email:
Attorney/Advocate	Name:	Phone:
		Email:
Additional services not listed above	Name:	Phone:
		Email:

 Signature of Parent / Guardian

 Date

 Name of Parent / Guardian (please print)



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TUITION AND FEES SCHEDULE

2020-2021 TUITION: \$71,200

New and returning students are officially registered upon receipt of a signed contract and deposit. Winston reserves the right to terminate educational services for non-payment.

OPTIONAL TUITION FINANCING

Your Tuition Solution 1-800-920-9777

Sallie Mae 1-888-272-5543


FINANCIAL AID

Parents of students who have been accepted may apply for tuition assistance. Limited tuition assistance is available. Requests are reviewed after a student is accepted into the program. Winston receives no direct public funding, though many families pursue reimbursement from their school district. A decision on the award of financial aid may be delayed pending receipt of full information on available resources.

PUBLIC THIRD PARTY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

We expect payments to be made in accordance with our published tuition and fee schedule. It is important to remember the school district payments and reimbursements are a legal and financial process between families and their school districts. Winston Preparatory School has no direct financial relationship with local school districts, and families should be mindful of this when pursuing third-party funding.

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June 28, 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians,

On June 14, 2018, The Connecticut General Assembly passed bill 5447 titled “An Act Implementing the Recommendations of the Auditors of Public Accounts Concerning Private Providers of Special Education.” Starting July 1, 2019, if a private school has a written contract with a district or receives money directly from the district, it becomes subject to an audit and oversight from the State Department of Education. This could result in State and local districts influencing the way we run our school and your child’s individualized education program. In other words, the entities that failed to provide your child with a free and appropriate public education would determine how we can teach your child. Our autonomy and flexibility in developing the best program for each student are integral to our shared success. As such, we will not be signing contracts or receiving direct payments from school districts for the 2019-2020 academic year and going forward.

We are aware that this may inconvenience some families, but we are implementing this policy for the benefit of your child and all future Winston students. We hope you understand our rationale and look forward to continuing to partner with you to provide your child the education they deserve.

Sincerely,
Dan Degnan
CFO



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Recommended Connecticut Advocates/Attorneys

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Winston provides the following list of attorneys who have represented Winston parents in the past for your information. Please evaluate the credentials and capabilities of any attorney you may wish to engage to represent you.



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Orit Batey Borkowski, Ph.D.
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