

What is a magnet school?

A magnet school draws students through its emphasis on a specific area of interest. Sadler Arts Academy *attracts* students by emphasizing the arts.

Location

Located near the heart of historic, downtown Muskogee, Oklahoma, at 800 Altamont, Sadler Arts Academy affords a variety of student performance and exhibition opportunities in and around the city.

Entry Criteria

Sadler Arts Academy is open to any student in grades Kindergarten through 8th grade on a space available basis. Entry is based on a desire to come, and not on special abilities in the arts. Sadler is not on a quest to see what our students can do for the arts, but rather to use an arts-rich education to foster a love of learning. In accordance with school board policy, a simple screening process for attendance, discipline, and leadership is part of the criteria for determining entry to Sadler Arts Academy.

A formal, but simple application involving both student and parent participation is attached to this brochure. To apply, complete this form and send or deliver it to:

Sadler Arts Academy
% Ronia Davison, Principal
800 Altamont
Muskogee, OK 74401

Tel: 918.684.3820
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Sadler Core Beliefs

- The arts provide a solid base for student learning, as the arts address all learning styles in a format that students find meaningful.
- All children possess talents and gifts.
- Kindness and respect are Sadler's watch words. Our motto is "Be kind to each other, tenderhearted, and forgiving."
- Students are best served in a loving, supportive environment.
- When a student is at his/ her optimum, learning, assessment, and motivation become part and parcel to the instructional task at hand.

What is the purpose of the Arts Academy?

The purpose of Sadler Arts Academy is to give students the opportunity to learn through creative instruction, using the arts as the vehicle for learning.

Does Sadler teach a different curriculum?

Sadler Arts Academy is responsible for the same curriculum as all other public schools in Oklahoma. However, all content areas (reading, math, language, science, and social studies) are taught through the arts. In addition, students cycle through the school's special arts learning labs: dance and creative movement, visual arts, drama and vocal music.

In addition, Sadler Arts Academy has cutting-edge, Smart Board technology in every classroom. Sadler has been the recipient of over \$100,000.00 in technology grants from the K20 Center in Norman over the past few years.

Is there a tuition fee?

Sadler Arts Academy is a Muskogee Public School. There are no tuition costs. Interested students from outside the district may apply for admission following approval of an inter-district transfer request handled through the office of the Superintendent of Schools of the sending district and the office of the Superintendent of Muskogee Public Schools I-20, Mr. Mike Garde.

Is transportation provided?

Transportation is provided for magnet students who are residents of Muskogee Public Schools District I-20. Transportation is not provided for inter-district transfer students from outside the boundaries of Muskogee Public Schools I-20.

Sadler's Special Events

Sadler students in grades 2 – 8, have the opportunity to audition for Sadler's annual production of *Nutcracker*, which is presented 5 times during the Christmas season, and has become more than a school show. It is seen by an audience of approximately 3000 each year, and is a community event.

In addition, Sadler students are afforded many off campus trips to museums and other points of interest not as rewards, but as part of our regular learning opportunities.

Evidence of quality at Sadler

- High Academic Performance
- Seven National Board Certified Teachers
- 1998 OK Arts Alliance Award Winner
- Three Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence Medal Winners (1998, 2002, 2009, 2018)
- 1999 Reader's Digest Hero in Education
- 1999 Governor's Arts Award
- 2002 – 2003 National Wal-Mart Teacher
- 2003 Oklahoma Teacher of the Year
- 2007 Kate Barnard Youth Advocacy Award
- 2008 Finalist for Oklahoma Center for Non-Profits, Excellence Award
- 2008 Milliken Award Winning Teacher
- 2008 Two "Fund for Teachers" Winners
- 2009 Muskogee City Foundation Grant Winner
- 2009 Governor's Arts Award
- 2010 MPS Teacher of the Year
- 2010 Oklahoma Art Educator Award
- 2010 Kennedy Center "On Location" Grant
- 2010 Jimmie Johnson/ Lowe's Toolbox Grant
- 2010 Fund for Teachers Winner
- 2011 MPS Teacher of the Year
- 2011 Capacity to Care Promising Practice
- 2011 Jimmie Johnson/ Lowe's Toolbox Grant
- 2012 SUPER Club Promising Practice
- 2012 Lasting Legacy Promising Practice
- 2012 Fund for Teachers Award
- 2013 Promising Practice for Character
- 2013 Promising Practice for Monster Dash
- 2013 State of Creativity Award
- 2014 State School of Character
- 2014 National School of Character
- 2014 Promising Practice for Run for Pride
- 2014 Jimmie Johnson/Lowe's Toolbox Grant
- 2014 OKMEA Exemplary Music Educator
- "A" On State School Report Card
- 2015 Promising Practice Warm Hugs
- 2015 Promising Practice Running Club
- 2016 Two Fund for Teacher Fellows
- 2016 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
- 2017 Promising Practice Award Winner
- 2018 Oklahoma Foundation of Excellence
- 2019 National School of Character

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APPLICATION for 2020— 2021 School Year

Please Print

Student: _____

Present School: _____

Upcoming Grade Level: _____

Parent/ Guardian: _____

Home Address: _____

Home phone: _____

Cell phone: _____

Parents, why are you interested in your child attending Sadler Arts Academy?

Parents, what do you expect from Sadler Arts Academy?

As a student, why would you like to attend Sadler Arts Academy?

Parents, would you be willing to serve as a volunteer at Sadler during the school year if your child is selected as a magnet student?

Applications accepted January 24-February 21, 2020

For office use only:

Date received:

Time received:

Siblings currently attending:

Special Programs:

Application is good for one year only (2020-2021)

Come join us at

Sadler Arts Academy

***National Blue Ribbon
School of Excellence***



“The Art of Caring”

“Creating a better Citizenry through Arts Education”

State and National School of Character

... where we make learning irresistible!