

Newton County Theme School 2022-2023 Application Information for Kindergarten – 8th Grades

*****Only current residents of Newton County may apply for their student to attend Newton County Theme School*****

Completed applications and required documentation must be hand delivered by the parent/legal guardian to Newton County Theme School at 2207 Williams Street Covington, GA 30014 during the designated dates and times listed below:

- **Monday, March 14 through Wednesday, March 16 from 8:00 - 11:00 am**
- **Thursday, March 17 from 3:00 - 6:00 pm**
- **Friday, March 18 (early release day) from 12:00 - 3:00 pm**
- ***Applications will not be accepted after 3:00 pm on Friday, March 18, 2022***

Faxed, emailed, late, incomplete, or unsigned applications will not be accepted.

*****Please note that submission of an application does not guarantee placement at Newton County Theme School. All applicants meeting residency, preliminary academic and behavior requirements will be entered into a lottery in early June and placed on a waiting list in the order in which their name is drawn in the lottery. Parents will be notified via letter by mid-June of their student's acceptance or placement on the waiting list. Available spots will be filled from the waiting lists for each grade level. Please note applicants may be removed from the waiting list if minimum Standardized test scores are not met.**

Please take a moment to review the Academic and Behavior requirements for new applicants below:

Academic Entrance Requirements

Kindergarten:

There are no academic entrance requirements for students applying for kindergarten.

First Grade:

For students applying for 1st grade, progress must have been demonstrated on all Georgia Performance Standards indicating that the child is exceeding the standards, meeting the standards, or progressing toward meeting the standards.

Second & Third Grades:

For students applying for 2nd or 3rd grade, standards must have been met on the final report card by achieving marks of 2, 3, or 4 in all academic areas. On the academic subject areas of the report card where S, P, or N is recorded, students must have earned marks of S or P.

Fourth through Eighth Grades:

For students applying for 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th grade, a final average of 80% or higher in all subjects must have been earned. On the academic subject areas of the report card where S, P, or N is recorded, students must have earned marks of S or P. Additionally, students must have earned a level 3 (Proficient Learner) or 4 (Distinguished Learner) on the GA Milestones in English/Language Arts and Math or score at or above the 50 percentiles in English/Language Arts, Reading and Math on Nationally Normed Standardized Tests.

Behavior Entrance Requirements for All Applicants

Students must have zero out-of-school suspensions and have never been expelled.

Students may have no more than two detentions or in-school suspensions/time-out referrals.

Please provide copies of the following information along with your completed application:

_____ **Two Proofs of Residency: Acceptable Proof of Newton County Residency MUST be:**

- (1) a signed lease or rental agreement, deed, monthly mortgage statement or current property tax bill **AND**
- (2) at least one current utility bill (gas, electric or water bill only)

The name(s) on the proofs of residency MUST be the parent named on the birth certificate or designated as the official guardian on the official court paperwork. If the proof of residency is in the name of a step-parent, a marriage certificate MUST be presented that proves the step-parent and official parent/guardian are married.

_____ **Parent/Guardian Photo ID**

_____ **Proof of Custody/Guardianship “Notarized letters” will NOT be accepted in lieu of official guardianship papers**

_____ **Birth Certificate**

_____ **Social Security Card/Signed waiver**

_____ **Immunization Record – GA Form 3231**

_____ **GA Eye, Ear & Dental Form 3300 – All sections must be completed**

_____ **Special Education, IEP and/or 504 Records (if applicable)**

_____ **Student Records Request (attached)**

_____ **Home Language Survey (attached)**

_____ **Military Connection Survey (attached)**

_____ **2022 GA Milestones Test Scores or Most recent Nationally Normed Standardized Test Scores if applying for grades 4 – 8**

_____ **Final Year-end Report Card for students applying for 1st through 8th grade must be submitted by Thursday, May 26, 2022 (If your student is currently enrolled in kindergarten in a NCSS school then you must submit all pages of the year-end GKIDS Individual Student Report)**

_____ **Certified Discipline Report on School Letterhead signed by the school Principal, Director, or designee by Thursday, May 26, 2022**

A Discipline Report is required for ALL applicants even if there is no history of disciplinary infractions (This does not apply to homeschooled applicants)

- The person applying for the student MUST be the parent named on the birth certificate unless official guardianship papers are presented. ***“Notarized letters” will NOT be accepted in lieu of official court mandated guardianship papers.
- In the case of divorced parents, only the parent who has "primary physical custody" as designated in the final divorce decree will be permitted to apply for the student. ***A final divorce decree MUST be presented with the application.

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school at 770-784-2959



Newton County School System
Newton County Theme School

Office Use:

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Student Information:

Student's Name: _____

Last

First

Middle

Name Called

Gender: _____ M _____ F Birth Date: ____/____/____ Students entering kindergarten must be age 5 on or before September 1, 2022

Ethnicity: _____ White _____ Black _____ Hispanic _____ American Indian _____ Multi-Racial _____ Asian _____ Other (Specify)

Grade Level applying to for 2022-2023: _____

School Attended during the 2021-2022 school year: _____ School District: _____

School currently zoned to attend: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Information:

Mother's/Guardian's Name: _____ Email _____

Telephone Number: Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Father's/Guardian's Name: _____ Email _____

Telephone Number: Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Home Address: _____
Street # Street Name City State Zip

Mailing Address (If Different from Home Address): _____
Street # Street Name City State Zip

Siblings who have applied for attendance at NCTS (separate applications must be completed for each child):

Child's Name: _____ Grade Level for 2022-2023: _____

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Special Programs: (Please note that our support services are provided within the regular education classroom setting)

Does the child have an IEP (Individualized Education Plan) for special education or a 504 plan? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, **documentation must be provided with this application**

Is the child enrolled in a program for gifted students? _____ Yes _____ No

By signing below, I am confirming that I will submit a final year-end report card and discipline report by May 26, 2022, in order for my student to be considered for the lottery drawing.

Names of Parent/Guardian (Please print):

Mother/Guardian: _____ Father/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

***Please note that only a custodial parent or legal guardian may enroll or withdraw the above student.

I verify that I have completed this application and provided copies of the following required documentation:

____ 2 Proofs of Residency
____ Parent/Guardian Photo ID
____ Proof of Custody/Guardianship
____ Certified copy of Student's Birth Certificate
____ Social Security Card or Signed waiver
____ Immunization Record – GA Form 3231
____ GA Eye, Ear & Dental Form 3300

____ Special Education, IEP and/or 504 Records (if applicable)
____ Student Records request
____ Home Language Survey
____ Military Connection Survey
____ 2022 GA Milestones or most recent Standardized Test Scores

Final year-end report card and discipline records due by May 26th



Newton County School System
Newton County Theme School Student Application Packet
Student Records Request

Today's Date: ____/____/____
mm dd yyyy

Information Being Requested By:

School Name: Newton County Theme School Phone: 770-784-2959 Fax: 770-784-2963
Address: 2207 Williams Street NE City: Covington State: GA Zip: 30014

Student Information:

Student Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name Suffix (Jr, Sr, II, III, etc)

Date of Birth: : ____/____/____
mm dd yyyy

Previous School Name: _____ Grade: _____

Address _____ of _____ Previous _____ School: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

The student listed above is seeking admission to the Newton County School System. Please assist us by providing the information listed below:

- Standardized Educational Record
- Standardized Test Scores
- GA Immunization Form 3231
- Gifted Eligibility
- Birth Certificate
- Withdrawal Form
- Section 504 Plan
- IEP or Special Education Records
- Screening & Health Information
- ESOL/ELL Record
- Social Security Number
- Attendance Record
- GA Certificate of Eye, Ear and Dental Examination Form 3300
- Certified Copy of Discipline Report (*if the student has never been in trouble, a letter from the school stating that the child has no discipline record is required in lieu of a Discipline Report*)
- Any other information that is vital to the student's education

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Per Georgia DOE Board Rule 160-5-1-14 schools must mail or otherwise deliver requested records within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of request. Schools shall not withhold any student record because of nonpayment of fees. Georgia requires all students entering Georgia schools for the first time, regardless of their grade level, provide an immunization record showing that they are adequately immunized. Please include this immunization record in your release.

The final regulations of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 1976 (Buckley Amendment) no longer requires written parental consent to release student educational records between schools. These rules state that officials in school systems in which a student may intend to enroll may release and receive a student's records without written consent for each release.



Newton County School System
Newton County Theme School Student Application Packet
Home Language Survey

Today's Date: ____/____/____
mm dd yyyy

Home Language Survey – In order to comply with state guidelines, we are required to have a Home Language Survey on file **for ALL students**.

Student Information:

Student's Legal Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name Suffix (Jr, Sr, II, III, etc)

Date of Birth: : ____/____/____
mm dd yyyy

Student's Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name Suffix (Jr, Sr, II, III, etc)

1. Where was the student born (in what country)? _____

Date this student entered the USA (if applicable): ____/____/____
mm dd yyyy

Date this student first started school in the USA: ____/____/____
mm dd yyyy

2. What was the first language this student learned to speak? _____

3. What language does the student speak most often? _____

4. What language is used most often in the student's home? _____

PLACE IN PERMANENT RECORD FOLDER

If the answer to any of the above questions is a language other than English, send a copy of this form to the designated ESOL contact at the school for student screening.



Newton County School System

Student Registration Packet

Military Connections Survey

During its 2012 session, the Georgia General Assembly enacted several laws relating to the education of children of military families. The goal of the legislation is to maximize a student's educational continuity despite the frequent movement across states and school districts that is often the result of a parent serving in the military. As a result of the laws enacted, school districts are required to collect data to ensure that children of military families are not placed at a disadvantage due to difficulty in the transfer of education records between school districts.

Student's Name: _____

1. Does this student have a parent or guardian who is active duty in US Armed Forces, including those on active duty in the National Guard or a parent or guardian who is inactive or retired? ____ Yes ____ No
2. Does this student have a parent or guardian who is a member of the military reserves (US Armed Forces, National Guard or Reserve)? ____ Yes ____ No

If the answer to Questions 1 **AND** 2 is NO, please skip to the bottom, sign and date.

If the answer to Questions 1 **OR** 2 is YES, please complete chart, then sign and date.

Parent / Guardian Name	Relationship to Student	Military Status (see below criteria)	Military Branch (see below criteria)

Military Status

Active Duty, Deployed
Injured

Active Duty, Not Deployed
Killed in Action

Discharged
Retired

Inactive

Military Branch

Air Force

Air Force Reserve

Air National Guard

Army

Army Reserve

Army National Guard

Marine Corps

Marine Corps Reserve

Coast Guard

Navy

Navy Reserve

Coast Guard

Reserve

Name of Parent/Guardian completing survey: _____

Signature of Parent completing survey: _____

Date: _____