



Dear Parents –

Thank you for requesting an Application for Enrollment from San Luis Obispo Classical Academy! We are honored that you would consider the school and we'd like to make the process for applying as clear as possible. We begin accepting new student applications for the 2011-2012 school year on March 1, 2011, through regular mail or by dropping it off in our office. Because SLO Classical Academy can accept only a limited number of new students, applications will be processed in the order received (based on postmark date or drop off date), and assuming acceptance, spots will also be filled based on this same order. Although applications will be accepted at any time, we encourage interested families to apply early.

Below is the order of operations for applying to SLO Classical Academy:

1. Familiarize yourself as much as possible with the school by spending time on our website, [www.sloclassicalacademy.org](http://www.sloclassicalacademy.org).
2. You must watch/listen to a Parent Information Night DVD/CD that can be obtained from the office.
3. Gather the following for each student:
  - a. Writing sample from current school year. A copy is fine. Not required for Kindergarteners.
  - b. List of books each student has read during the last 3 months. If not yet reading, please state this and briefly describe your child's understanding of letters, any words read and interest level in reading.
  - c. If your student has received any special educational services or evaluation/testing, a copy of any reports related to these services will be required. The application process is sped up if you can provide those for us before a family interview is set up.
4. Please choose track preferences on the application.
5. Mail or drop off form and work samples, along with **non-refundable** insurance/registration fee of \$250 per student to:

Mailing Address  
SLOCA  
P.O. Box 3601  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93403-3601

Drop-off Address  
SLO Classical Academy  
165 Grand Avenue  
San Luis Obispo

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6. For new kindergarten students, an adult outside the family must complete a Confidential Kindergarten Recommendation Form. If the child has been in preschool, our preference is that the preschool teacher completes the form. If not, another adult who has spent significant time with the child (i.e. babysitter, close family friend, Sunday School teacher, etc.) is acceptable. The form must be sent directly to us by mail, faxed to 805-548-8701 or dropped off by the person who completed the form. This form needs to be returned within two weeks of receiving your application in order to keep the process moving forward. A family interview cannot be scheduled until this form is received.

Also for kindergarteners, the student and one parent will need to attend a Kindergarten Visiting Hour, scheduled once monthly starting in April (dates to be announced). This hour introduces prospective families to the classroom and teachers and allows our K teachers to do an informal evaluation of Kindergarten readiness. Attendance is required before final acceptance and family interview. However, all other paperwork is accepted prior to this commitment.

7. Complete family interview. Upon the completion of your application, you will be contacted within 2 weeks for a visit with the Kindergarten teachers and family interview. Kindergarten visits are scheduled once monthly, dates to be announced. Interviews are scheduled during normal business hours, with no exceptions. Both parents are encouraged to attend if possible. Student attendance is optional, but Middle School students are encouraged to observe the current classrooms if at all possible.
8. You will be notified by letter whether your student(s) have been accepted or not soon after the interview. If there are no spots in the specific grade level requested, you will be placed on a waiting list. A Code of Conduct and several necessary forms will be included with your acceptance letter. The forms must be read, signed, and returned by June 17, 2011, to make your registration with SLO Classical Academy final.

If you have any questions about the application process or the school, please do not hesitate to call or email our office.

Thanks -

Susie Theule, Ph.D.  
Director

*Education is the kindling of a flame, not the filling of a vessel. ~ Socrates*