



Dear Prospective Families,

We are so pleased that you are interested in exploring ISW! And we are looking forward to getting to know your entire family better. If you have not already scheduled a phone chat, please do so. We would love to learn about your child and to help you explore our program!

Our admissions committee looks for capable, enthusiastic students who are academically, socially, and emotionally prepared to handle the challenges of both independent and group learning situations. Successful applicants will exemplify our Core Values: respect, responsibility, integrity, compassion, and commitment to education.

Our admissions process is very straightforward. We begin with a **phone call** with parents. If it looks like we may be a good fit for your student, we will schedule a time for the **student to meet** with one or two teachers (depending on grade level) and **parents to tour the building/campus** with the Head of School. Please ***bring the completed application form and fee to the student meeting and parent tour.***

In terms of paperwork, the admissions committee will read the student's file when we have received:

- The **application form**
- Three **teacher recommendations** for grades 1 through 12, two teacher recommendations for Kindergarten. (We provide easy-to-fill-out forms.)
- An **official transcript** from all previous schools attended. (Again, we have provided a form for you to give to your student's schools.)
- Copies of all **standardized test results**
- **\$50 application fee**

Paperwork should be emailed to claire@iswva.org or mailed to:

ISW
769 Round Hill Road
Winchester, VA 22602

Please don't hesitate to call me if you have questions or concerns as the process unfolds. We are very excited about the possibility of working with you and your family!

Sincerely,

Claire McDonald, Ph.D.
Head of School

Handcrafted education in a mass-produced world.