**Benjamin H. Hardaway International Baccalaureate School
Admissions Policy**

Students who do not live in Hardaway’s school zone must apply for the Hardaway IB program using the Muscogee County School District online application.

Entrance into the program will be determined by a combination of test scores, grades, writing ability, attendance, and teacher recommendations. Students accepted in the program are expected to be in good standing at their current school, including behavior and attendance.

The magnet application process includes the following:

1. Recommendation forms from current teachers
	1. Language Arts teacher
	2. Math teacher
2. Copies of current and previous year’s report card
3. Copies of norm-referenced test scores
4. Testing completed and scored

MCSD determines deadlines for online applications.

Consideration for slots will begin upon receipt of application and entrance tests.

In-zone students: Zoned or open enrollment students who wish to quality to participate in the full IB DP or CP programme in 11th grade are encouraged to apply to the IB program in 9th grade for early identification and attention to the selection of coursework that will fill all prerequisites. Students who are in-zone are encouraged to take HHS PIB and IB courses if prerequisites have been met.

Parents/Legal Guardians need to return Magnet Transfer Request forms and other documentation mailed to them to acknowledge acceptance into the program by established deadlines.

Because Hardaway is applying for candidacy for the MYP and in order for the IB continuum to move from K-12, students who are current IB students at Richards Middle School, Years 1-3 who are in good academic and behavioral standing will be allowed to continue their MYP courses, Years 4 and 5 without testing\* if they meet the following requirements:

* No Fs on first semester grade of 8th grade
* No final grades of F in 6th or 7th
* Letters of Recommendation must be from current English and Math teacher
* Unexcused absences could disqualify
* Behavior issues could disqualify.

\*Current IB Richards candidates must apply online as part of the Muscogee County Online Magnet process.

**Testing Requirements:**

1. **Math exam-30 marks (If a student earns 15 marks, it means he/she met the standards)**

0-9 points:  If admitted, would enter on probationary status and must attend remediation in this area.
10-15 point:  Holistic Review

16-30 points:  YES

1. **Reading Comprehension exam-30 marks**

**Multiple Choice (20 marks)
Paragraph answers (10 marks)**

0-9 points:  If admitted, would enter on probationary status and must attend remediation in this area.
10-15 point:  Holistic Review

16-30 points:  YES

1. **Writing Portion-30 marks (15 marks means student met standards)**

0-9 points:  If admitted, would enter on probationary status and must attend remediation in this area.
10-15 point:  Holistic Review

16-30 points:  YES

**TOTAL:  0-27 NO**

**28-44 HOLISTIC EVALUATION BY ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE**

**45-90 YES**, **BARRING DISQUALIFYING CIRCUMSTANCES\***

\*Disqualifying circumstances include:

* Any OSS in grades 6-8
* 5 or more instances of ISS in grades 6-8 (cumulative)
* 8 or more discipline referrals in grades 6-8 (cumulative)
* 10 or more absences in grades 7 or 8 (without extenuating circumstances)