



Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in MSSD14 6th Grade Mountain Academy of Arts & Science (MAAS) at Ute Pass Elementary. To be considered for enrollment please complete and return the appropriate applications/forms based on your student's current enrollment status and return to the District Registrar:

Current In District MSES & UPES 5th Graders	Current Out of District (Choice) MSES & UPES 5th Graders	New Out of District (Choice) Applicants
<i>MAAS Application</i>	<i>Choice Application</i>	<i>Choice Application</i>
	<i>MAAS Application</i>	<i>Records Request Form</i>
		<i>MAAS Application</i>

MAAS Acceptance Decisions and Notifications Made:

- First Round - April 15, 2022
- Second Round - June 10, 2022

Applications may be delivered by:

- Email - cbaker@mssd14.org (preferred)
- Fax - 719-685-4536
- In person to the District Administration Office, weekdays from 7am to 4pm, at 405 El Monte Place, Manitou Springs (behind the high school).

Sincerely,
Christina Baker
cbaker@mssd14.org
District Registrar

Application for 2022-2023 School Year



- Applications are accepted on a rolling basis beginning December 1, 2021
- The program total is capped at 48 students.
- Choice applications are currently being accepted with first round of decisions beginning April 15th.
- Please return completed application via email to the District Registrar, cbaker@mssd14.org.

The purpose of this application is meant to ensure that families, students, and teachers consider all components of the Mountain Academy of Arts & Sciences as they consider 6th grade. The classroom environment will look different and families and students will be held to the program's expectations. Please read through and initial each statement below with your child.

Child Name: _____	Residence Zip Code _____
Current School: _____	Date: _____
My child is currently receiving the following services or plans:	
<input type="checkbox"/> 504 Services <input type="checkbox"/> ALP or Gifted/Talented <input type="checkbox"/> Special Education/IEP <input type="checkbox"/> ELL/ESL services	
Is there anything else that UPES & MAAS staff should be aware of: _____	

Parent Initials: _____
Child Initials: _____

The Mountain Academy of Arts & Sciences is designed as an experience-based program with an emphasis on environmental education, science, and environmental leadership. Students acknowledge that they have a strong interest in learning and engaging in these concepts.

Students receiving educational support services (GATE, interventions, Special Education, etc.) are subject to an additional review for appropriate placement. Additionally, the services they have received in the past may be delivered in a different manner while attending the Mountain Academy of Arts & Sciences. We are prepared to work with teachers and students to ensure student success.

We acknowledge that students may participate in MSMS sports, Connect14 and after school activities. Please consider the following: transportation may not always be provided, some sporting events may conflict with educational experiences and may require the student to make up missed work at home or miss the event.

We acknowledge that the MAAS involves spending significant time outdoors throughout the school year. A high threshold for the outdoor environment is necessary. This includes, varying weather conditions and physical activity, and exposure to environmental allergens (pollen, insects, plants, etc.).

We acknowledge that all 6th grade students participate in band for the entire school year. The commitment requires students to practice their instruments at home and attend 3-4 evening concerts. Students will be loaned an instrument for the year. Families are responsible for replacement or repairs

Ute Pass Elementary School

Manitou Springs School District 14

9230 Chipita Park Road Chipita Park, Colorado 80809 719.685.2227

Name: _____

Student Interest Essay

Students attending the Mountain Academy of Arts & Sciences are expected to take part in a variety of learning activities related to their local natural environment, community, and environmental leadership. This essay is meant to have students express and share their interest in the program with both parents and teachers. It will not be used to decide acceptance to the program.

Students, please attach a hand-written or typed response to your application. Answer the following three questions (minimum of 1 paragraph each.)

1) Why you are interested in the Mountain Academy of Arts & Sciences for 6th grade?

2) What components of 6th grade in the MAAS are you most looking forward to and why?

3) What will you contribute to the Mountain Academy of Arts & Sciences and Ute Pass Elementary community?