

OVERVIEW OF ADMISSION TESTS

Montgomery School bases admission decisions on five factors. Each candidate undergoes a classroom visit, placement test at Montgomery School, and WPPSI-IV or WISC-IV testing. Teacher referrals and school records also contribute to the decision making process.

PLACEMENT TESTS

Placement tests administered at Montgomery School examine a child's achievement level. The tests determine the child's reading level, math knowledge, and written expression abilities. The child's test results indicate the level at which the child is working. High scores may indicate enrichment opportunities and lower scores may point to a need for tutoring.

WPPSI-IV and WISC-IV TESTS

WPPSI-IV and WISC-IV tests offer an independent evaluation by a trained and experienced professional of the child's receptiveness to new tasks, the ability to shift tasks, comfort with hands-on tasks and comfort with pencil and paper tasks. The verbal sub-tests provide information on the child's language abilities. Answers reveal a child's level of social judgment and common sense reasoning. Children show their ability to recall word meanings and display given strengths or weaknesses in short-term auditory memory.

The sub-tests indicate a student's grasp of basic concepts dealing with quantity, numbers and abstractions. Performance sub-tests reveal strengths and weaknesses in terms of fine motor control, eye-hand coordination, visual planning skills, and spatial orientation. Performance sub-tests also measure a child's ability to visually scan and attend to details.

Low scores on sub-tests can indicate that a student has a particular learning style (i.e. the child learns visually). Large gaps between verbal and performance scores can suggest the possibility of a learning problem. Particularly low scores and gaps may also indicate the need for further testing.

**Suggested
Locations for
WPPSI-IV and
WISC-IV Testing:**

CENTER FOR
PSYCHOLOGICAL
SERVICES
*located in Paoli or
will test at
Montgomery School
Contact: Dr. Jennifer
Jackson-Holden
610-647-6406 ext. 3*

or

MAIN LINE
EDUCATIONAL
SERVICES
*Located in Rosemont
610-525-8127*