

The Villages[®] Charter School

2025/2026 SCHOOL YEAR *Enrollment Packet*

Dear Parent,

Thank you for your interest in The Villages Charter School (VCS). Our School was created to provide a quality education as a benefit to the children of the people who have dedicated themselves to creating, serving and caring for The Villages.

The Villages Charter School operates by a Charter Agreement approved by the Sumter County Board of Education and the Florida State Department of Education. Unlike traditional county schools, our enrollment criteria are based upon one of the parents/guardians' place of employment rather than the geographic address of their home.

The Villages Charter School now has two campus locations:
Buffalo Ridge is a K through 8th grade campus. Middleton is a K through 12th grade campus.

Listed below are the categories of qualifying employment:
Employment is verified on each new applicant, and will be verified on a monthly basis for all enrolled students.

CATEGORY 1 – A Villages' Company or Salesperson under contract with Properties of The Villages.

CATEGORY 2 – Business Partner Sub-Contractors

- Business Partners under direct contract, other than a lease, with a Villages' Company providing independent contractor, construction, maintenance, consulting or other similar services in support of Villages' Projects.
- Under "direct contract" refers to the relationships between Category 2 Business Partners and a Villages' Company. The work and/or services provided to a Villages' Company must be regular and ongoing, and that work must be paid for directly from a Villages' Company.
- Business Partners in Category 2 whose book of business meets the Minimum Threshold Percentage for Villages' Projects may qualify for employee categorization that isn't solely dependent on the hours worked on only Villages' Projects.
- For businesses that perform regular and ongoing services to a Villages' Company but that also perform services for other businesses and/or the after-market consumer (non-Villages' Company), only that work provided to and paid for by a Villages' Company will be considered when determining eligibility, and only those employees performing those services on behalf of the Business Partner under direct contract are eligible for the benefits of The Villages Charter School.

CATEGORY 3 – Business Partners that lease directly from one of the commercial real estate entities in a Villages' company.

CATEGORY 4 – Business Partners that own or lease a permanent business site from a non-Villages' entity, from which they operate their business within The Villages. The Villages Charter School Enrollment Committee will review each applicant in this Category to confirm, in its sole discretion, that the Business Partner participates in and benefits the development and operation of The Villages.

Placement and Campus selection is based on the parent's category of employment and priority is given to full-time employment (40 or more hours) versus part-time employment (under 40 hours). Priority is also given to students who have siblings already enrolled in The Villages Charter School.

Please see next page for Enrollment Procedure and Required Document Checklist

ENROLLMENT PROCEDURE

We will begin to contact/place new students for the upcoming new school year and their approved campus location after the previous school year has ended which is usually around mid-June.

Once your employment has been verified and we anticipate that we have space available for your category of employment in the grade level and campus location of your child, we will notify you by phone. We will set an appointment for you to meet with the Guidance Clerk at the building where your child will attend. You will need to provide COPIES of your child's documentation at that meeting. Please DO NOT include these documents with the Pre-Enrollment Eligibility Application that you submit to the Enrollment Office. Please wait until you meet with the Guidance Clerk at your child's building to provide these documents.

You will need to provide COPIES of all listed documentation within one week of your meeting with the Guidance Clerk in order to proceed further with the application process. If the requested documentation is not provided to us within one week, the anticipated opening will be offered to an eligible applicant that has provided the necessary documentation.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST - COPIES ONLY

- **Last Report Card** (Copy)
- **Test Scores from Previous Year** (i.e., FSA or Standardized Test) (Copy)
- **Transcript** (High School Only) (Copy)
- **Birth Certificate** (State Certified Copy)
- **Social Security Card** (Copy)
- **Florida Immunization Record** (DH Form 680, or DH Form 681) (Copy)
- **Discipline and Attendance Records** (Copy) (Discipline issues that resulted in In-School or Out-of-School Suspension) (Copy)
- **School Physical** (dated within one year of application/enrollment-DH Form 3040, High School Only: FHSAA Form E2) (Copy)

IF APPLICABLE, PLEASE SUBMIT WITH PRE-ENROLLMENT APPLICATION

- **Court Order Papers** (Please see School Board Policy on file in the Central Office if you are not the natural parent) (Copy)
- **Marriage License** (if step-parent is to be the qualifier or if the step-parent is to perform Parent Involvement Hours) (Copy)

We appreciate your cooperation and patience during the application and admission process. With the many families who are anxious to attend VCS, our hope is to make the enrollment process as smooth and easy as possible. We are pleased that you want to receive the benefit of a school where a supportive community of students, parents and staff tailor the educational experience to meet individual needs, resulting in successful, well-rounded, responsible individuals with an entrepreneurial spirit. We look forward to a rewarding relationship between The Villages Charter School and your family.

Best regards,
Tara Milow, VCS Enrollment Coordinator

The Villages Charter School shall not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, or disability. No student shall, on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity.

The Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Program is for children who have a disability. Sumter County is committed to meeting the unique needs of these children. Under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) re-authorized in 2004, children with any disabilities listed under that law are guaranteed a "free appropriate public education" in the "least restrictive environment," along with all appropriate related services required for your child to benefit from his or her education. If you believe that your child has a disability that keeps him or her from being successful in school, please contact the school counselor. As a parent, you have the right to request an evaluation. If your child is identified as having a disability, he or she is entitled to certain rights. These rights are explained in a document called Summary of Procedural Safeguards for Students with Disabilities. Copies of these rights are given and explained to parents during the referral process and at least one time a school year if your child is determined to have a disability. Should you wish to receive an additional copy of this document, please call 352-793-2315, extension 50259. Through the Florida School Choice, a Gardiner Scholarship or a McKay Scholarship is available to all students who qualify.

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Pre-Enrollment Eligibility Application

Parent / Legal Guardian Information (Legal guardians attach court documentation with application)

(Mother) First Name Must be Parent or Legal Guardian (Mother) Last Name Must be Parent or Legal Guardian (Father) First Name (Father) Last Name

Step-Parents: List step-parent(s) that is/are eligible to do PI time for this student(s) (Attach marriage certificate with application)

(Step-Mother) First Name (Step-Mother) Last Name (Step-Father) First Name (Step-Father) Last Name

Contact Information: Where the child resides

Address City State Zip

Phone #1 HOME WORK MOBILE Phone #2 HOME WORK MOBILE E-Mail Address

Eligibility (Must complete employment form for qualified eligibility)

Full name of parent or legal guardian that works for an eligible business partner Your relationship to child

Name of Employer Employer Phone Location address of where you physically work

Job Title Job Duties

How many hours per week do you work on The Villages property? How many hours per week do you work in your qualifying position with an eligible business partner? Are you a permanent employee of this company? Yes No
 Are you a sub-contractor to this company? Yes No
 Are you a pool employee for this company? Yes No
 Are you a PRN for this company? Yes No

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (Parent with employment must sign) Date

New Student(s) Applying for Enrollment

Has this child/children been previously enrolled at VCS? Yes No If yes, what school year were they enrolled? _____

New Student's Name as it Appears on Birth Certificate		New Grade For 25/26 School Year	Date of Birth	Last School Attended Name of Public, Private, Home Schooled	K-8 Preferred Campus Do NOT leave blank All HS students will attend Middleton		
First name	Last name				Middleton	Buffalo Ridge	Autism Center
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SECTION 1006.07(1)(B), Florida Statutes (District school board duties relating to student discipline and school safety), requires each district school board to adopt rules that require each student at initial registration for school enrollment in the district to report any previous school expulsions, arrests resulting in a charge, and juvenile justice actions the student has had. LIST ANY PREVIOUS SCHOOL EXPULSIONS, ARRESTS OR JUVENILE ACTIONS THE STUDENT HAS HAD:

CURRENTLY ENROLLED STUDENTS: Do you currently have or had other children enrolled at VCS? Yes No

Proof of Employment

Please fill form out COMPLETELY.

As a benefit to all qualified employees working for The Villages (Category 1), its qualified direct sub-contractors (Category 2) and/or Business Partners (Category 3), their child(ren) may be eligible to attend The Villages Charter School. Eligibility for enrollment requires verification that the parent or legal guardian is eligibly employed.

As an employee of your company, _____
would like to enroll their child(ren) _____

in The Villages Charter School. VCS requires a signed and notarized Proof of Employment Form from an authorized representative before enrollment can take place.

Acceptable Authorized Representative

CATEGORY 1 (direct employees of The Villages):
The Villages Human Resources & Risk Management

CATEGORIES 2 & 3 (direct sub-contractors to The Villages and Villages Business Partners):
Business Owner of Record, General, Manager or Physician (Authorized representative MUST attach their business card to Proof of Employment)

Employer's Proof of Employment Statement

All categories of employment must complete this section

I, _____ certify that _____ is currently and actively
Employer's authorized representative *Employee name* *ADP Position ID# (Category 1 only)*
employed by _____
Company name *Company mailing address* *Company website*

Signature of Owner/Authorized Representative	Title	Phone	Date
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Contact Person for Employment Verification	Phone	Email
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What is the hire date for this employee? _____ What is their start date? _____

What is the location address where this employee physically works?

What is this employee's job title?

What are this employee's job duties?

Are they a permanent employee of this company? Yes No

Are they a sub-contractor to this company? Yes No

Are they a pool employee for this company? Yes No

Are they a PRN employee? Yes No

How many hours per week does this employee work in their qualifying position?

Only category 1 or 2 businesses should complete this section.

Department Name	Contact	ADP Position ID#
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Please notify the Enrollment Office if this employee no longer works for your company in their qualifying position, on The Villages property, or if any of the above information changes. Understand that providing false information regarding your employee's status will jeopardize your business relationship with The Villages.

Notarization All categories of employment must complete this section

Notarization Required of **Authorized Representative's Signature** - Document will not be accepted without Notarization

State of _____ County of _____. The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this date by _____ who is personally known to me or who has produced _____ as identification and who did/did not take an oath. WITNESS my hand and official seal, this _____ day of __, 202__.

Signature Notary Public

Official Seal

This form will be placed in the student's file as Proof of Employment record.

You may return this form via U.S. mail to the address below or return to employee for delivery to VCS Enrollment Office.

Authorization for Release of Employment

I the Parent _____ authorize and direct my current employer or any employer by whom I was employed during the period
Parent name
my student was enrolled at The Villages Charter Elementary School, The Villages Charter Middle School or The Villages High School to complete and execute proof(s) of employment in the form(s) provided by The Villages Charter School and to release any and all information requested to The Villages Charter School including, but not limited to, wages earned, period of employment, work schedules, payroll taxes paid or deducted, or information relating to state or federal taxes, fees or charges resulting from my employment with employer.

Signature of Owner/Authorized Representative

Date

Print Name

Notarization

Sworn and subscribed to me this _____ day of _____, 202_____.

Notary Public - State of Florida

Print Name of Notary Public

Official Seal

Serial/Commission Number

Personally Known or Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced: _____