

The desire of the Board is to create and maintain a small school that reflects the composition of the Santa Fe community and provides opportunities to promote a multilingual and multicultural education through the International Baccalaureate (“IB”) program. In order to provide a multilingual education, Mandela International Magnet School (MIMS) shall offer at least six years of a language other than English.

For this magnet school, admission will be through a district-wide lottery process. The number of positions available for each grade shall be determined and published. This magnet school is not limited to a geographic attendance area under NMSA 1978, §22-1-4(E).

The goal in MIMS is for a twelfth grade IB student’s proficiency to reflect multiple, successive years of mastery of the course content. Due to the multiple-year progression and acceleration of the IB curriculum, students will need to be immersed in the IB program for all or most of grades seven through twelve. Therefore, transfer requests from students who attended non-IB schools shall be denied for students entering twelfth and eleventh grades, and after the tenth school day of a school year for students who are deemed to be in tenth grade. Transfers from other IB programs may be accepted upon review of academic credentials by the principal.

The Superintendent is authorized to develop Administrative Regulations for the admissions and lottery process for this magnet school.

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Legal Reference: NMSA 1978, §22-1-4.