



SECOND
BAPTIST
SCHOOL

ESTABLISHED 1946

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
2012-2013 School Year

MIDDLE *school*

Grades 5 - 8



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Dear Trusted Family,

Welcome to Second Baptist School! We are honored that you are considering our School for your family, and we hope you will discover that we are a Christ-centered school committed to excellence. Second Baptist School offers a strong academic program supported by the timeless truths of the Christian faith. Our experienced and dedicated faculty and support staff are committed to equipping students for a life of scholarship, leadership and service.

The mission of Second Baptist School is to train students in areas of knowledge that will allow them to understand clearly, to think deeply, to judge wisely, and to have the courage to live their lives on the great principles and convictions of biblical truth as they engage in an innovative and digitally-based global community. Most importantly, and interwoven among all facets of our learning environment, is our desire to bring each student into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

We invite prospective students and their families to visit our campus. To register for our admissions events or group tours, please visit secondbaptistschool.org/admissions. We look forward to meeting you and hope you will find a “second” home with us!

In His Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Prothro". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Andrea Prothro
Director of Admissions
Second Baptist School



**APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND INFORMATION
2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR**

Head of School
Dr. Jeff Williams

Head of Middle School
Mr. Jon Guthrie

Director of Admissions
Mrs. Andrea Prothro

Middle School Admissions Coordinator
Mrs. Sally Preston – spreston@secondbaptistschool.org

Application Priority Deadline:
January 20, 2012

Second Baptist School
Mailing Address:
6410 Woodway Drive
Houston, TX 77057

Office of Admissions
Phone: (713) 365-2314
Fax: (713) 365-2445
Website: secondbaptistschool.org
Email: admissions@secondbaptistschool.org

Middle School Hours
Monday – Friday – 7:50 a.m. – 3:10 p.m.

APPLICATION AND FEE

Applicants are considered for admission once the completed application and application fee are received by the Office of Admissions. The fee is non-refundable.

Fee Schedule:

Application received by January 20. \$100
Application received January 21 or after. \$150

TESTING

Admissions testing is required for all students applying to Second Baptist School. Students entering Grades 5 - 8 are required to take the Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE). The ISEE is offered at Second Baptist School annually. Testing is also available at other local schools. To register for the ISEE, visit isetest.org.

Students applying after the group testing dates may contact the following independent testers in the Houston area:

Ann Kurio, Ed.D. Education Specialists 10700 Richmond Avenue, Suite 201 Houston, TX 77042 (713) 461-7996	Shakti Dalal Educational Consultant 4726 Post Oak Timber #63 Houston, TX 77056 (713) 294-5990
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Students applying from outside Houston or the United States may contact ISEE at isetest.org to make arrangements for testing at the family's current residence location.

FINANCIAL AID

Families interested in applying for financial aid may complete the request form in the application packet. Financial aid consideration is for students who are entering Grades 1 – 12.

OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS EVENTS

Families are encouraged to visit the school during school events. Open Houses, group tours, fine arts and athletic events provide a unique window into the campus and school environment. Please refer to the Admissions Timeline for specific dates and times.

INTERVIEWS

Interviews will be conducted for all Middle School applicants and their parents. Applicants with completed application files may register for their interview through the Candidate Portal (login required).

COMPLETED APPLICATION

A completed application file is required before an admissions decision will be rendered. Please refer to the admissions checklist for all requirements and documentation.

DECISIONS

Admission decision letters for the 2012-2013 school year will be mailed Friday, March 9, 2012. The Common Reply Date is Wednesday, April 4, 2012.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

Students are admitted to Second Baptist School without regard to race, religion, sex, or national origin. Second Baptist School is authorized under federal law to enroll non-immigrant students.



MIDDLE SCHOOL TUITION AND FEES *

ANNUAL TUITION	\$14,676	Monthly Payments: \$1,223
CHURCH MEMBER ANNUAL TUITION	\$14,040	Monthly Payments: \$1,170

APPLICATION FEE

The application fee per applicant is due at the time the application is submitted and is non-refundable.

TESTING

Students entering Grades 5 - 8 are required to take the Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE). The ISEE is offered at Second Baptist School annually. Testing is also available at other local schools. To register for the ISEE, visit iseetest.org.

NEW STUDENT FEE

The \$400 new student fee and the first month's tuition are due at the time the student accepts the invitation to attend Second Baptist School. These fees are non-refundable.

GRAMMAR REVIEW COURSE

All new Middle School students are required to attend the Grammar Review Course. The \$100 fee is included in the new student fee. Registration and details will be provided upon acceptance.

ACTIVITY FEE

The activity fee supports grade-level activities. The annual fee for Grades 5-8 is \$75.

TUITION PAYMENT OPTIONS

Tuition may be paid monthly or in full. Monthly tuition may be paid using a credit card or EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer).

ENROLLMENT COMMITMENT

Students withdrawing after enrolling or reenrolling in the school will be charged half the yearly tuition. Partial refunds will be given only to families moving over thirty (30) miles away or in the case of a catastrophic illness.

TEXTBOOKS and SUPPLIES

Middle School textbooks and supplies are purchased by and are the property of the students. Cost will vary depending on grade and course selection. Book lists and ordering procedures are posted on the website prior to the start of school.

UNIFORMS

Middle School students are required to wear uniforms. Visit millsweat.com for uniform options. The dress code policy in the Student Handbook outlines proper attire expectations.

*(Tuition and fees may be adjusted for the 2012-2013 school year. Tuition and fees for the 2012-2013 school year will be posted on the website January 2012.)



MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMISSIONS TIMELINE

October 4	Tuesday	Middle School Open House for Prospective Families 8:30 a.m. – Woodway Village R.S.V.P. at secondbaptistschool.org/middleschooladmissions
November – January		Group Tours Register at secondbaptistschool.org/middleschooladmissions
December 5	Monday	Christmas Band Concert and Reception for Prospective Families 6:30 p.m. - Office of Admissions R.S.V.P. at secondbaptistschool.org/middleschooladmissions
December 8	Thursday	Christmas Choral Concert and Reception for Prospective Families 6:30 p.m. - Office of Admissions R.S.V.P. at secondbaptistschool.org/middleschooladmissions
January 7	Saturday	Registration deadline for ISEE (Independent School Entrance Exam) – iseetest.org Test Date: January 28, 2012
January 15	Sunday	Transcripts and Teacher Recommendations Due to Second Baptist School
January 20	Friday	Priority Application Deadline
January 28	Saturday	ISEE Testing 8 a.m. - Second Baptist School Register at: iseetest.org
January 31	Tuesday	Deadline for submitting Financial Aid Application (SSS) for priority consideration
February 1	Wednesday	Last day for parents to join Second Baptist Church (By letter or by baptism by immersion to qualify for church member tuition rates)
February 7	Tuesday	Middle School Interviews
February 9	Thursday	Registration available on the Candidate Portal (must have login to register)
March 9	Friday	Admissions decision letters mailed Financial Aid decision letters mailed
April 4	Wednesday	Acceptance decisions due



MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PROCESS AND CHECKLIST

▪ **STEP 1 - Complete Online Inquiry and Application for Admission**

- Complete the **Online Inquiry** at secondbaptistschool.org/middleschooladmissions. The Online Inquiry captures your family's important information directly into our database. *You must complete this step to obtain access to the Candidate Portal. (NOTE: If you have previously completed the Online Inquiry, you may skip this step.)*

- Print the **Application for Admission** at secondbaptistschool.org/middleschooladmissions. To complete the Application, the following items are required. Please include the Coversheet when the items are submitted to the Office of Admissions:
 - Completed Family Application and Coversheet
 - Application fee
 - Current photograph with student's name on the back
 - Photocopy of student's birth certificate
 - Student Essay
 - Parent Questionnaire
 - Student Academic Diagnostic Testing Report (if applicable)
 - Custodial Agreement (if applicable)

▪ **STEP 2 - Academics**

Submit the following forms to the student's current school after December 1. The forms are included in this packet. The deadline to receive the recommendations and transcripts in the Office of Admissions is January 15, 2012.

- Transcript Request – Transcripts for the student's current school year and two (2) previous academic years are required.
- Teacher Recommendation Form for 5th Grade Applicants
- Teacher Recommendation Form for English – Grades 6-8
- Teacher Recommendation Form for Math – Grades 6-8

▪ **STEP 3 - Entrance Testing**

- Students applying for Grades 5-8 are required to take the **Independent School Entrance Exam (ISEE)**. The ISEE is offered at Second Baptist School annually. Testing is also available at other local schools. To register for the ISEE, visit iseetest.org.

▪ **STEP 4 - Interview**

- Interviews will be conducted for all Middle School applicants and their parents. Applicants with completed application files may register for their interview on the Candidate Portal on the website (login required to register).



CANDIDATE PORTAL

The Office of Admissions is pleased to offer a wonderful feature for our applicant families!

As an applicant family* at SBS, you have access to the **Candidate Portal** on our website secondbaptistschool.org for your student(s). To access the page, you will create a login and password that will allow you to (as applicable):

- View Admissions Checklist Items for your student(s)
- Schedule your student's Lower School Group Evaluation**
- Schedule your student's Middle School Interview**
- Schedule your student's Upper School Interview or Shadowing visit**
- Register for upcoming Admissions Events
- View announcements and links regarding the Office of Admissions and the admissions process
- Additionally, if your student is invited and decides to attend SBS, the login and password will continue to provide you access to exclusive areas of the website reserved only for our school families.

**Submission of a completed Application for Admission is required for access.*

**Please note – Lower School Group Evaluations, Middle and Upper School Interviews, and Upper School Shadowing must be scheduled on the Candidate Portal. The links to register for these events are only featured on the Candidate Portal.

CANDIDATE PORTAL LOGIN INSTRUCTIONS

Once your student's Application for Admission is processed, we will send you notice that you may login to the Candidate Portal.

To login for the first time:

- Go to secondbaptistschool.org
- Click on the **LOGIN** button at the top of the home page
- Click on **"First Time User"** link
- Follow the Login Instructions

For assistance, please contact:

Sara Bingaman, Lower School Applicants

Sally Preston, Middle School Applicants

Lauren Baker, Upper School Applicants

For additional questions, please call the Office of Admissions at (713) 365-2314.



MIDDLE SCHOOL APPLICATION COVERSHEET

Please submit this form along with the other required Family Application items.

Student's Name: _____

To complete the application process, the following items must be submitted:

- Online Inquiry Completed – Date Completed: _____
- Application for Admission
- Application fee - \$100 by January 20; \$150 January 21 or after
- Current photograph with student's name on the back
- Photocopy of student's birth certificate
- Student Essay
- Parent Questionnaire
- Student Academic Diagnostic Testing Report (if applicable)
- Custodial Agreement (if applicable)

I am enclosing the non-refundable application fee made payable to Second Baptist School.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Submit or Mail this form and all items to:

**Second Baptist School
Office of Admissions
6410 Woodway Drive
Houston, TX 77057**



PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

- Parents are: - Married - Separated - Divorced
Student resides with: - Mother and Father - Mother - Father
 - Legal Guardian - Stepparent - Grandparent

If parents are separated or divorced, please list parent who is:

- To receive Admissions correspondence: - Mother - Father
To receive school communication: - Mother - Father
To make school-related decisions: - Mother - Father
To make tuition payments: - Mother - Father

If parents are divorced, the family must provide a copy of custodial agreement upon application to the school.

FATHER - Mr. Dr. Rev. (please include suffix if applicable)

Name: _____
Business Name: _____ Position: _____
Church Membership: _____ Denomination: _____
SBS Alumni: - Yes - Years/Grades attended: _____ Year Graduated: _____

MOTHER - Mrs. Miss Ms. Dr.

Name: _____
Business Name: _____ Position: _____
Church Membership: _____ Denomination: _____
SBS Alumni: - Yes - Years/Grades attended: _____ Year Graduated: _____

SIBLINGS

Name: _____ Age: _____ School/Grade: _____
Name: _____ Age: _____ School/Grade: _____
Name: _____ Age: _____ School/Grade: _____

STEPPARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION (Please include only if applicable)

-Stepparent -Guardian Mrs. Miss Ms. Dr. Mr. Rev. (please include suffix if applicable)

Name: _____
Business Name: _____ Position: _____
Church Membership: _____ Denomination: _____
SBS Alumni: - Yes - Years/Grades attended: _____ Year Graduated: _____

-Stepparent -Guardian Mrs. Miss Ms. Dr. Mr. Rev. (please include suffix if applicable)

Name: _____
Business Name: _____ Position: _____
Church Membership: _____ Denomination: _____
SBS Alumni: - Yes - Years/Grades attended: _____ Year Graduated: _____



STUDENT INFORMATION - Please attach additional pages as needed.

Student Name: _____

◆ Has the student ever been diagnosed with a learning difference?

If student has been diagnosed with a learning difference or is receiving accommodations and/or modifications in the classroom you are required to include a copy of the most recent diagnostic report and all supporting documentation. Second Baptist School is not able to make modifications, however, requested accommodations will be considered on an individual basis.

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____

◆ Has the student had an educational diagnostic evaluation?

- No

- Yes - Date of Evaluation: _____ Please explain: _____

◆ Have classroom modifications or accommodations ever been recommended for the student?

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____

◆ Has the student ever used classroom modifications or accommodations such as extra time on exams?

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____

◆ Has the student ever received tutoring?

- No

- Yes - - In-school tutoring - Private tutoring - Therapy for a learning difference, such as Neuhaus

Please explain and include duration of tutoring: _____

◆ Has the student ever received therapy for speech, vision or hearing?

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____

◆ Has the student experienced a recent life change such as divorced parents or a death in the family?

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION *(Continued)-Please attach additional pages as needed.*

◆ Has the student evidenced maladjustment in school?

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____

◆ Has student ever received medical or psychological treatment?

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____

◆ Is student currently taking any prescription or over-the-counter medications?

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____

◆ Does the student have any known allergies?

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____

◆ Has the student ever been suspended or expelled from school?

- No

- Yes - If yes, ***please attach a description including the consequences imposed by the school.***

◆ Has the student received disciplinary action in school that has resulted in the loss participation in activities?

- No

- Yes - Please explain: _____



STUDENT ESSAY QUESTIONS

Please answer *one* of the following questions. Submissions must be typed.
(Minimum length: one page, double-spaced, 12 point font.)

- Who has been the greatest influence in your life and why?
- Describe the best day of your life – either one you have already had or a day that you wish to have.

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Please submit typed answers to the following two questions:

- What did you hear about Second Baptist School that led to your decision to apply?
- Describe a strength or weakness of your student that you would want developed during his or her career at SBS.

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT REQUEST



Parents: Please submit this request form to your student's current school.

Student's Name:

(Please print full name)

Parent/Guardian Approval for Release of Records:

(Signature)

TO: Registrar of _____
(Current School)

FROM: Andrea Prothro, Director of Admissions, Second Baptist School

DATE: _____

_____ is currently seeking enrollment in
Second Baptist School for Grade _____.

In order to complete our files, please send the following:

- Official transcript from the *current school year*;
- Official transcript for the *two previous school years*;
- Standardized test scores;
- If grades are in numerical form, please enclose the *grading scale* used at your school.

Please mail all records to:

Andrea Prothro
Director of Admissions
Second Baptist School
6410 Woodway Drive
Houston, Texas 77057
Phone: (713) 365-2314
Fax: (713) 365-2445

SHARED TEACHER RECOMMENDATION – Grade 5

Name of Applicant _____

Applicant for Grade 5

Parent or Guardian

Parent or Guardian: Please write your child's name in the space above and read and sign the following before giving this to your child's teacher. Please include an addressed/stamped envelope for each school you list below.

I understand and agree that the information contained on this Teacher Recommendation form is confidential and will be used only in the selection of applicants and will not become part of the applicant's permanent file. I also agree that this completed form will not be available to applicants, parents, or anyone outside of the Admissions Committee, and I waive any right that I may have to see it.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

Please send this recommendation to the following Houston schools:

1. _____ Second Baptist School Admissions Address 6410 Woodway Drive, Houston, TX 77057 Fax (713) 365-2445
2. _____ Address _____ Zip _____
3. _____ Address _____ Zip _____
4. _____ Address _____ Zip _____

Teacher

Teacher: Please complete this confidential form and return it by January 15.

In order to give you time to get to know the applicant better, we ask that you *not* complete this form *before December 1*. This Teacher Recommendation form will be treated confidentially and will not be shared with parents. You may wish to retain the original copy for your files to send to additional schools. Thank you for your cooperation and honesty. **The child's application cannot be processed until this form is received in the Admissions Office.**

Academic Skills

<i>Ratings</i>	<i>Area of Strength</i>	<i>Age Appropriate</i>	<i>Progressing</i>	<i>Area of Concern</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Listens to and follows teacher's directions					
Is attentive to group discussions/activities					
Contributes appropriately to group					
Demonstrates ability to work independently					
Perseveres in spite of difficulty					
Works cooperatively					
Enjoys new challenges					
Moves easily from one activity to another					
Demonstrates ability to stay on task					
Ability to complete work in a timely manner					

Communication Skills

<i>Ratings</i>	<i>Area of Strength</i>	<i>Age Appropriate</i>	<i>Progressing</i>	<i>Area of Concern</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Ability to express ideas verbally					
Clarity of writing					
Grammar/Mechanics skills					
Reading rate and fluency					
Reading comprehension					
Knowledge and usage of vocabulary					
Imagination and creativity					
Problem-solving skills					

Name of Applicant _____

Applicant for Grade 5

Social Skills

<i>Ratings</i>	<i>Usually</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Seldom</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Responds positively to constructive criticism				
Establishes friendships easily				
Is comfortable in a group				
Respectful of property (personal and others)				
Accepts responsibility for actions				
Demonstrates self-control				
Takes responsibility for belongings				
Is cooperative				
Demonstrates appropriate energy level				
Exhibits emotional maturity				
Takes pride in appearance				

Circle the words that best describe this applicant.

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|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Aggressive | Disobedient | Irritable | Organized | Self-disciplined |
| Anxious | Easily discouraged | Manipulative | Over-protected | Shy |
| Articulate | Follower | Mature | Perfectionist | Social |
| Cheerful | Helpful | Motivated | Positive leader | Vivacious |
| Confident | Honest | Negative leader | Responsible | Well-liked |
| Conscientious | Immature | Oppositional | Self-centered | Witty |

• Describe any notable social or emotional strengths or weaknesses. What steps have been taken to address the areas of concern?

• Is applicant habitually tardy or absent? Yes No If yes, please explain. _____

• This applicant is: Strongly Recommended Recommended Recommended with Reservation Not Recommended

• Is there anything regarding the applicant that would be helpful for the Admissions Committee to know? _____

• Is there anything regarding the family that would be helpful for the Admissions Committee to know? _____

• I would: like to be willing to discuss this applicant by telephone.

Signature of Teacher: _____	Date: _____
Print Name: _____	
Name of School: _____	Telephone: _____
School Address: _____	Home Telephone: _____

Director/Principal

	Consistently	Usually	Seldom	Not Observed
Parent(s) participate in school activities				
Parent(s) support school policies and procedures				

Signature of Director/Principal: _____ **Date:** _____

SHARED TEACHER RECOMMENDATION – GRADES 6 - 8 - ENGLISH

Name of Applicant _____ Applicant for Grade _____

Parent or Guardian

Parent or Guardian: Please write your child's name in the space above and read and sign the following before giving this to your child's teacher. Please include an addressed/stamped envelope for each school you list below.

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Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

Please send this recommendation to the following Houston schools:

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- 2. _____ Address _____ Zip _____
- 3. _____ Address _____ Zip _____
- 4. _____ Address _____ Zip _____

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Academic Skills

Ratings	Truly Outstanding	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Comments
Listens to and follows teacher's directions						
Is attentive to group discussions/activities						
Contributes appropriately to group discussions/activities						
Demonstrates ability to work independently						
Perseveres in spite of difficulty						
Works cooperatively						
Enjoys new challenges						
Demonstrates appropriate energy level						
Demonstrates ability to stay on task						
Exhibits appropriate work ethic						

Social Skills

Ratings	Truly Outstanding	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Comments
Responds positively to constructive criticism						
Establishes friendships easily						
Is comfortable in a group						
Is respectful of faculty						
Is respected by peers						
Demonstrates self-control						
Takes responsibility for belongings						
Is cooperative						
Demonstrates appropriate behavior						
Exhibits emotional maturity						
Demonstrates appropriate energy level						
Takes pride in appearance						

Name of Applicant _____

Applicant for Grade _____

Communication Skills

<i>Ratings</i>	<i>Truly Outstanding</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Above Average</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Below Average</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Ability to express ideas verbally						
Clarity of writing style						
Grammar/Mechanics skills						
Reading rate and fluency						
Reading comprehension						
Knowledge and usage of vocabulary						
Imagination and creativity						

Circle the words that best describe this applicant.

- | | | | | |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Aggressive | Disobedient | Irritable | Organized | Self-disciplined |
| Anxious | Easily discouraged | Manipulative | Over-protected | Shy |
| Articulate | Follower | Mature | Perfectionist | Social |
| Cheerful | Helpful | Motivated | Positive leader | Vivacious |
| Confident | Honest | Negative leader | Responsible | Well-liked |
| Conscientious | Immature | Oppositional | Self-centered | Witty |

• Briefly describe the work habits/abilities/challenges. _____

• Is applicant habitually tardy or absent? Yes No If yes, please explain. _____

• This applicant is:
 Highly Recommended (Top 5%) Strongly Recommended Recommended Recommended with Reservation Not Recommended

If you checked "Recommended with Reservation" or "Not Recommended," please explain. If the same recommendation is not appropriate for all the schools to which the applicant is applying, please explain. _____

• Is there anything regarding the applicant that would be helpful for the Admissions Committee to know? _____

• Is there anything regarding the family that would be helpful for the Admissions Committee to know? _____

• I would: like to be willing to discuss this applicant by telephone.

Signature of Teacher: _____	Date: _____
Print Name: _____	
Name of School: _____	Telephone: _____
School Address: _____	Home Telephone: _____

Director/Principal

	Consistently	Usually	Seldom	Not Observed
Parent(s) participate in school activities				
Parent(s) support school policies and procedures				

Signature of Director/Principal: _____ Date: _____

SHARED TEACHER RECOMMENDATION – GRADES 6 - 8 - MATH

Name of Applicant _____

Applicant for Grade _____

Parent or Guardian

Parent or Guardian: Please write your child's name in the space above and read and sign the following before giving this to your child's teacher. Please include an addressed/stamped envelope for each school you list below.

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

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Ratings	Truly Outstanding	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Comments
Listens to and follows teacher's directions						
Is attentive to group discussions/activities						
Contributes appropriately to group discussions/activities						
Demonstrates ability to work independently						
Perseveres in spite of difficulty						
Works cooperatively						
Enjoys new challenges						
Demonstrates appropriate energy level						
Demonstrates ability to stay on task						
Exhibits appropriate work ethic						

Social Skills

Ratings	Truly Outstanding	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Comments
Responds positively to constructive criticism						
Establishes friendships easily						
Is comfortable in a group						
Is respectful of faculty						
Is respected by peers						
Demonstrates self-control						
Takes responsibility for belongings						
Is cooperative						
Demonstrates appropriate behavior						
Exhibits emotional maturity						
Demonstrates appropriate energy level						
Takes pride in appearance						

Name of Applicant _____

Applicant for Grade _____

Mathematical Ability

<i>Ratings</i>	<i>Truly Outstanding</i>	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Above Average</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Below Average</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Computational skills						
Problem-solving skills						
Mathematical reasoning						
Mathematical applications						

Circle the words that best describe this applicant.

- | | | | | |
|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Anxious | Easily discouraged | Manipulative | Over-protected | Shy |
| Articulate | Follower | Mature | Perfectionist | Social |
| Cheerful | Helpful | Motivated | Positive leader | Vivacious |
| Confident | Honest | Negative leader | Responsible | Well-liked |
| Conscientious | Immature | Oppositional | Self-centered | Witty |

• Briefly describe the work habits/abilities/challenges. _____

• Is applicant habitually tardy or absent? Yes No

If yes, please explain. _____

• This applicant is:

Highly recommended (Top 5%) Strongly Recommended Recommended Recommended with Reservation Not Recommended

If you checked "Recommended with Reservation" or "Not Recommended," please explain. If the same recommendation is not appropriate for all the schools to which the applicant is applying, please explain. _____

• Is there anything regarding the applicant that would be helpful for the Admissions Committee to know? _____

• Is there anything regarding the family that would be helpful for the Admissions Committee to know? _____

• I would: like to be willing to discuss this applicant by telephone.

Signature of Teacher: _____	Date: _____
Print Name: _____	
Name of School: _____	Telephone: _____
School Address: _____	Home Telephone: _____

Director/Principal

	Consistently	Usually	Seldom	Not Observed
Parent(s) participate in school activities				
Parent(s) support school policies and procedures				

Signature of Director/Principal: _____ **Date:** _____



FINANCIAL AID

Second Baptist School seeks to provide an affordable Christian, college-preparatory education to all our families. Recognizing the financial commitment families choose to make by selecting an independent school for their children, Second Baptist School is privileged to offer need-based financial aid to qualifying families. ***Financial aid consideration is for students who are entering Grades 1 through 12.***

To apply for financial aid, families must first request an Application for Financial Aid from the Office of Admissions. The packet includes the application, a questionnaire, the policies, a completion agreement, the timeline and a list of frequently asked questions. ***Priority deadline to apply is January 31, 2012.***

Financial aid applications are available beginning in November prior to the enrolling school year. Families must apply each year for financial aid consideration. Initial notification of financial aid awards is made in March of the enrolling school year.

Please complete and return the following sheet, Financial Aid Packet Request, with the admissions application if you would like to receive the Application for Financial Aid (only one form per family required).

If you have any questions regarding financial aid, please contact Sally Preston at (713) 365-2314.



FINANCIAL AID PACKET REQUEST

Please submit with Family Application.

Student's Name: _____

- Male - Female

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Current Grade: _____

Applying for Grade: _____

School Year: ____ - ____

Student's Name: _____

- Male - Female

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Current Grade: _____

Applying for Grade: _____

School Year: ____ - ____

Student's Name: _____

- Male - Female

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Current Grade: _____

Applying for Grade: _____

School Year: ____ - ____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone Number: _____ Cell Phone: _____

For Office Use:

- Walk-In _____

- Mailed _____

Comments: _____



SECOND BAPTIST SCHOOL BY THE NUMBERS - 2011

- 53 students made a profession of faith this year.
- The Class of 2011 was accepted to 75 universities and will attend 33 universities in 19 states. Some of the schools to be attended include Washington and Lee, Wake Forest University, Rhodes College, University of Virginia, Davidson College, Boston University, Johns Hopkins University, Knox College and leading Texas universities.
- Exceeding the state SAT average of 1462, and a national average of 1509, the average SAT score for the SBS Class of 2011 was 1806. The Class of 2011 was offered academic and athletic scholarships totaling over \$3 million.
- 5 seniors named as National Merit Finalists, 3 as National Merit Commended Scholars, and 1 as National Hispanic Scholar.
- Art students won 2nd place in the TAPPS State Art Competition and won a Gold Medal at the Rodeo Art Competition.
- Lower School students read over 10,000 books, totaling more than 105 million words through the Accelerated Reader Program. 37 students read over 1 million words each, 3 students read over 2 million words each, 1 student read over 3 million words and 1 student read over 5 million words.
- Nationwide, over 67,000 Middle School students participated in the Duke Talent Identification Program. The national average SAT math score by participants was 450. Thirteen SBS students received State Recognition and their average math score was 560.
- 9 members of the Class of 2011 will participate in collegiate athletics. The Athletic Department claims 22 state championships in 8 different athletic events.
- 10 Upper School students were named AP Scholars by the College Board and 3 were named AP Scholars with Honor.
- Angels of Light: LS donated over 450 toys, MS nearly 300 sports watches, US held a toy drive and served over 300 hours.
- 11 students competed in the TAPPS Academic State Competition and 3 students competed in the TAPPS Music State Competition.
- 3 students received TPSMEA All-Region Choir Recognition and 2 received All-State Choir Recognition. One student received TMEA Region Choir Recognition.
- 44 Upper School students were inducted into the National Honor Society.
- Lower School participated in 15 field trips throughout the school year. The variety of field trips included the George Bush Library, Bellaire Nature Center, Houston Arboretum, Houston Museum of Natural Science, and the San Jacinto Monument
- SBS had 58 student athletes listed on All District teams, 22 listed as All State, and 14 listed as Academic All State.
- In 2010-2011, SBS had 1 Regional Finalist team, 1 State Semi-Finalist team, 2 State Runner-up teams, 1 State Champion team, 10 students who were part of State Champion swim relays and 2 students who were named individual event State Champions.
- The fifth annual Middle School musical, *Peter Pan*, had 4 sold-out performances and over 2,000 people in attendance.
- Upper School appointed 7 seniors as the School's first group of Prefect leaders.
- 1 Upper School athlete named Built Ford Tough Player of the Week and 1 Upper School athlete named to the TPSCA South All-Star Football Team.
- Representatives from over 100 universities traveled to SBS for College Day.
- 47 students participated in the First Annual Lower School Spelling Bee.
- Upper School students in the Fine Arts Department continued the annual tradition of performing at Houston's Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. This year's spectacular show, *South Pacific*, had 3 sold-out performances with nearly 2,000 in attendance.
- Lower School performed at 4 Grandparent Day programs including the Parade of Presidents and "What I Want to be When I Grow Up."
- The 2011 Celebration Book Fair added 500 new books to the Woliver-Anderson Library.
- The Second Fund raised more than \$500,000. The 5th annual EagleFest raised over \$392,000 for the SBS Faculty Endowment, and the 5th annual Distinguished Speaker Luncheon raised over \$330,000 for a Christmas bonus for faculty as well as salary increases in the upcoming year.
- The Fine Arts Director's Circle raised over \$28,000 for the Upper School musical, *South Pacific*.
- Upper School students performed over 30,000 hours of community service as part of Second Serving.
- The Middle School completed its 11th year of touring Washington, D.C. with eighth grade students, and seventh grade students traveled to Austin for their annual Texas history experience. Sixth grade continued their tradition of serving at the Salvation Army and fifth grade participated in their team building retreat at Pine Cove.
- 5 seniors were named Eagle Scouts.
- The Office of Alumni Relations hosted 12 events, including networking opportunities in Dallas and College Station, while Upper School students and teachers connected with alumni during school trips to California and New York.
- Second Annual SBS Service Day: LS served those in local nursing homes, the Third Ward and the VA Hospital, created care packages for those in the military and for Star of Hope, and assisted in the work of Living Water International; MS made valentines for veterans, collected items for Agape Ministries, and worked in Memorial Park, Houston Food Bank and Star of Hope; US participated in Student Leadership University, focusing on becoming strong Christian leaders in the 21st century.