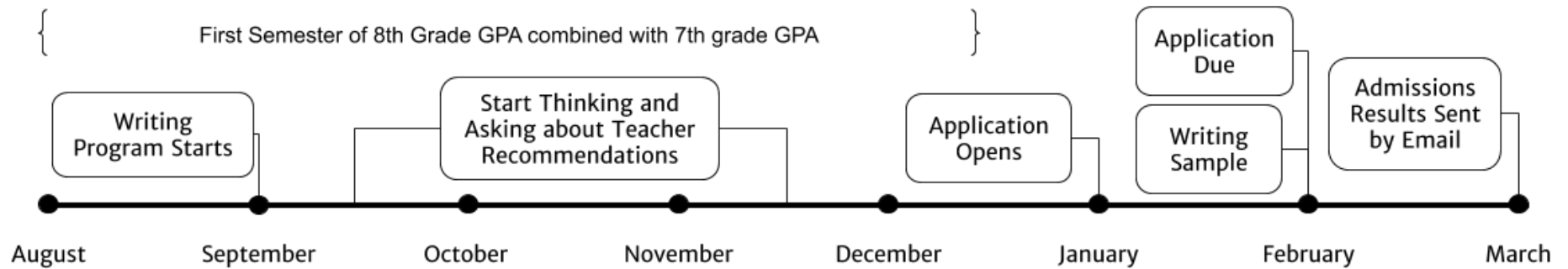


Academic Magnet High School Application Process



The application to Academic Magnet can be completed **electronically** once the school choice application portal is opened or on **paper** and dropped off at a receiving site (local schools) at a set time. Your application contains four parts and is evaluated on a 15 point rubric. You generally want to get **at least 13 out of 15 points on the rubric**, although the system admits the highest scoring applicants first, so try your best. *All information is based on last year's process and may change.*

Map Scores	GPA
<u>0 – 4 points</u> For each component, 2 pts 85 percentile and above; 1.5 for 80 – 84 percentile; 1.0 for 75 – 79 percentile: Reading → 0 – 2 pts Math → 0 – 2 pts	<u>0 – 4 points</u> It combines math, science, ELA and social studies 7th grade final averages and 8th grade 1st semester averages. A=4; B=3; C=2; D=1; F=0
Writing Sample	Teacher Recommendations
<u>0 – 4 points</u> The writing sample will be held at your school, and you will have one hour to write an essay from your choice of one of two given prompts. You should focus on point of view and support, organization, vocabulary, and mechanics.	<u>0 – 3 points</u> You need three total recommendations. One must be from your English teacher, one must be from your Math teacher, and one can be from either your Science or Social Studies teacher.

Why focus on the writing sample?

The writing sample can be a “make or break” element on your application, as it is the most qualitative evaluation, and many students will easily earn full marks in the other categories. Some applicants receive paid outside tutoring, but we want to give you the option of accessing similar instruction from us for free to improve your score on the rubric.