



Perpich Arts High School

Application for the 2026-2027 School Year

This application is for students entering 11th or 12th grade in the 2026-2027 school year.

Priority Deadline: February 1, 2026

Applications received after February 1st will be considered only if space remains after first round admission decisions are made.

Each item below is required for a complete application

- Application form
- Release of Information form
- Transcript, grade 9 to present, with current class schedule
 - The transcript does not need to be official, but **MUST BE IN A TRANSCRIPT FORMAT**, showing class name, grade received, credits earned, and cumulative GPA.
 - Screenshots or report cards are NOT an acceptable substitute.
 - Students applying for their senior year must present with a minimum 2.0 GPA.
- Class schedule for the year, if not reflected on the transcript
- Academic recommendation. Only one letter is requested.

How to complete the application

There is no preference in the format that applications are received - digitally, typed, or completed by hand. If completed by hand, DO NOT USE PENCIL. Perpich recognizes that not everyone has a computer or reliable internet. To have a paper copy of the application mailed to you, reach out to Admissions Director, Anne Johnson, anne.johnson@pcae.k12.mn.us or 763-279-4195, toll free 1-800-657-3515.

Download the pdf file/s from perpich.mn.gov and open the files using Adobe Acrobat Reader. If you do not have Adobe Acrobat Reader, a free version can be downloaded from <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>. The files are not meant to be completed on a tablet or other mobile device or with applications other than Adobe Acrobat Reader. Submit the completed materials by mail, fax, or email it as an email attachment.

The Academic Recommendation file should be downloaded and sent to an educator to complete. Upon completion, this file can be sent directly to Perpich OR it can be given back to the applicant and returned with the other application materials.

Remember to save often while completing the documents. If you need more space for any of your answers, please attach a separate document.

Submit complete application via Mail

Perpich Arts High School
Attn: Jody Gentz
6125 Olson Memorial Hwy.
Golden Valley, MN 55422

OR

Fax:

(651) 797-1622
Attn: Jody Gentz

OR

Email:

jody.gentz@pcae.k12.mn.us



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Student Last Name - LEGAL Student First Name - LEGAL Student First Name - CHOSEN Preferred Pronouns

Student PRIMARY Address City State Zip

Student Email (regularly checked non-school email preferred) Student Mobile Phone

Name - Minnesota Parent/Guardian #1 Parent/Guardian #1 Email Parent/Guardian #1 Phone

Name - Parent/Guardian #2 Parent/Guardian #2 Email Parent/Guardian #2 Phone

Address of Parent/Guardian #2 (if different than Parent/Guardian #1) City State Zip

Art Area: *contact Anne Johnson, Admissions Director, BEFORE applying if considering more than one area*

Check: Dance Media Arts Musical Theater (Incoming Juniors ONLY) Visual Arts
 Literary Arts Music Theater

Gender Identity:

Check: Female Male Transgender Female Transgender Male
 Non-Binary Write in _____

Student Ethnicity:

Check: Hispanic/Latinx American Indian/Alaskan Native Asian Black/African American
 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander White Two or more races Other _____

School Name School District Number

School Address - Street

School Address - City State Zip

School Counselor's Name School Counselor's Phone Number

Current Grade: 10th 11th



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Perpich Arts High School works hard to build a community of student scholars; a community that is intellectually rigorous and culturally open; a community that is both physically safe and safe for people with different expressions, different backgrounds, and different world views.

Perpich Arts High School reserves the right to rescind an offer of admission under various conditions, including but not limited to: new information obtained from the time of this application going forward, poor academic performance, disciplinary actions, attendance concerns, criminal actions, and behavior that brings into question the admitted student's honesty, maturity, attitude, or moral character. This includes postings on social media.

In signing this application, we certify that all the information in the application is complete, true, and accurate. We acknowledge the above paragraph regarding the possibility of a rescinded offer of admission. If the applicant is accepted for admission to Perpich Arts High School, we agree to adhere to the policies, rules, and regulations now in existence and those that may be established in the future. Any misrepresentation on the part of the applicant or parent/guardian is cause for nonacceptance and/or cancellation of acceptance. All documents submitted in support of this application become the property of Perpich Arts High School and are not returnable or transferable.

Student and parent signatures are required for a complete application:

Student Name PRINTED

Student signature (a typed signature is acceptable)

Date

Parent/Guardian signature (a typed signature is acceptable)

Date

How did you learn about Perpich Arts High School? Check all that apply:

- Current Perpich student Friend Alumni Guidance Office Teacher Online Search
- Social Media: which one? _____
- Playbill: which one? _____ Newspaper: which one? _____
- Other: _____



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Please offer your original thoughts. Do not use AI. We ask these questions as a way to genuinely get to know you. If hand-completing this section, **do not use a pencil**. Finally, spelling and grammar matter.

What prompted you to consider changing schools?

Explain your top TWO reasons for wanting to attend Perpich Arts High School?

How will Perpich be different from your current school? Complete the grid below and please be specific.

CURRENT School Pros/Cons	PERPICH Pros/Cons

If appropriate, explain any academic struggles, gaps in attendance, or excessive tardies. Knowing this at the time of application helps with understanding what may become known when school records are received.



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EXPERIENCE

As a statewide school, Perpich recognizes that students may have limited access to arts programming in their schools and communities. Perpich also acknowledges the costs of classes and individual instruction/lessons, and that these are not feasible for all students/families. Many students create art on their own, and their instruction/learning may come from the internet, books, experiences, or friends and family. There are no expectations that you have prior experiences with arts education. We're looking for passion, while getting to know how our prospective students are learning.

DANCE: Complete these questions if you are applying for **Dance**

Have you had any prior dance experience or training? Yes No

If self-taught, what do you use for reference? _____

How many hours per week do you dance? _____

List any dance experience you have had in the last two years:

LITERARY ARTS: Complete these questions if you are applying for **Literary Arts**

Have you had any prior poetry, fiction, playwriting, or nonfiction experience or training? Yes No

If self-taught, what do you use for reference? _____

Do you write outside of school? Yes No If yes, how many hours do you spend writing per week? _____

What do you write most of the time? (pick your top one or two): fiction (stories, novels) poetry (poems, lyrics)

plays or movies creative non-fiction (essays in which you choose the topic, memoir, articles)

List any literary experience you have had in the last two years:



MEDIA ARTS: Complete these questions if you are applying for **Media Arts**

Have you had any prior photography or video experience or training? Yes No

If self-taught, what do you use for reference? _____

How many hours per week do you spend on media arts? _____

List any media arts experience you have had in the last two years:

MUSIC: Complete these questions if you are applying for **Music**

Specify your primary instrument/s: _____

Have you had any prior music experience or training? Yes No

If self-taught, what do you use for reference? _____

How many hours per week do you spend on music? _____

Can you read sheet music? Yes No Can you play piano or keyboard? Yes No

List any music experience you have had in the last two years:



THEATER/MUSICAL THEATER: Complete these questions if you are applying for **Theater/Musical Theater**

Have you had any prior acting experience or training? Yes No

If yes, does your experience come from middle school/high school? Yes No

List any theater experience you have had in the last two years, including the play title and your role with/in the show:

How would someone who has worked with you on a performance describe you?

Additional questions if applying for **Musical Theater:**

If self-taught in dance or music, what do you use for reference? _____

List any dance experience you have had in the last two years:

List any music experience you have had in the last two years:

VISUAL ARTS: Complete these questions if you are applying for **Visual Arts**

Have you had any experience or training in drawing, painting, ceramics, digital art, animation, or sculpture? Yes No

Does your experience or training come from middle school/high school? Yes No

If self-taught, what do you use for reference? _____

How many hours per week do you spend on visual arts? _____

List any visual arts experience you have had in the last two years: