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Koplik Certificate of Mastery with Distinction Application

Student information

Name: _____ D.O.B.: / / SASID#: _____

School/District: _____ Y.O.G.: / /20 Email _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Three qualifying MCAS scores

Please attach a photocopy of your Tenth Grade MCAS student score report. One score must be at the *Advanced* level and the other two scores either at the *Advanced* or *Proficient* level.

(a) English Language Arts _____ (b) Mathematics _____ (c) Science _____

Two additional academic achievements*

At least one academic achievement must be a passing score or above on a standardized test. Please refer to Section II on the following page regarding which standardized tests are acceptable and in what combinations. In addition, please note that two scores in the same area (for example, AP Chemistry and SAT Chemistry Subject Test) will not be accepted.

Please attach photocopies of the qualifying SAT Subject Test or AP scores and enter subjects and scores below.

_____	_____	_____	_____
<i>Subject</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Score</i>

*If only one AP or SAT Subject Test score is available, you may substitute evidence of another academic achievement. Please attach documentation of the achievement.

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<i>Academic Achievement and Discipline</i>	<i>Year Completed</i>

Submission:

Please submit your initial application to your high school's Koplik coordinator for review no later than May 1st of your senior year.

DO NOT SEND APPLICATIONS OR SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION DIRECTLY TO ESE.

You may not make an initial application after you have graduated from high school. Advanced Placement scores arrive at your high school in the summer. Your guidance counselor will notify the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education when all of your scores and other documentation have been received and approved (indicated by the Koplik coordinator's signature below). Successful applicants will receive the Certificate of Mastery with Distinction from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Verification: *The Koplik Coordinator attests to the accuracy of the information provided in this application form by his/her printed name and signature below.*

Koplik Coordinator's name (printed) *Signature/date*

Requirements for the Stanley Z. Koplik Certificate of Mastery with Distinction

Initial Requirements:

To initially qualify, a student must score *Advanced* on one Grade 10 MCAS assessment (either in Mathematics, English Language Arts, or Science) and either *Advanced* or *Proficient* on the other two.

Standardized Test Requirement:

Students have the choice of one of the following options:

- a. two Advanced Placement exams with scores of “3” or better, or
- b. two SAT Subject Tests (subjects and minimum required scores listed below), or
- c. one SAT Subject Test **and** one Advanced Placement exam, or
- d. **one** of the above mentioned tests/exams **and** one *Other Academic Achievement* (see next page for examples).

Qualifying SAT Humanities Subject Test Scores*

Chinese with Listening (700)
French (649)
French with Listening (625)
German (561)
German with Listening (586)
Italian (650)
Japanese with Listening (650)
Korean with Listening (700)
Latin (628)
Literature (612)
Modern Hebrew (630)
Spanish (589)
Spanish with Listening (572)
U.S. History (608)
World History (600)

Qualifying SAT Math/Science Subject Test Scores*

Biology (600)
Chemistry (646)
Biology (Ecological) (600)
Mathematics Level 1 (640)
Mathematics Level 2 (639)
Biology (Molecular) (600)
Physics (618)

**Minimum test score in parenthesis*

Other Academic Achievements (option d above):

Students may substitute evidence of another academic achievement from their high school years for one passing score on any of the tests listed above.

1. College Courses

A student must receive a grade of *B* or higher on a college course taken during high school. Documentation is an official transcript from a college or university.

2. Competitions, Prizes, Awards, Publications

A student must win a prize or award in a competition or be selected for an activity or publication, beyond the local school level, based on excellence in achievement in an academic or artistic field. Evidence could be a certificate, award, article or excerpt and title page from a publication, or a letter from a sponsoring organization indicating the level of work the student accomplished.

Below are examples of competitions, prizes, awards, and publications that may be used to substitute for one of the two required exams. Please note that this is not intended to be an exclusive list. A qualifying academic achievement MUST have a direct connection to the standards of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks, which can be found at: <http://www.doe.mass.edu/frameworks/current.html>.

Examples:

Academic Decathlon Competition
American Invitational Mathematics Exam (AIME)
American Field Service Scholarship
Massachusetts Art Education Association: Art-All State
Boys State and Girls State
Business Professionals of America (BPA) Skills Development Award
Destination Imagination----either Massachusetts or National Recognition
Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) Skills Development Award
English-Speaking Union's National Shakespeare Competition
Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Skills Development Award
FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Award
Ford/AAA Automotive Technology Skills Development Award
Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Skills Development Award
Future Farmers of America (FFA) Skills Development Award
Greater Boston Youth Symphony participation
High Schools That Work Award of Educational Achievement
Scholastic Art and Writing Awards, Massachusetts and National
International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO)
Intel Science Talent Search – semi-finalist or finalist
Junior Engineering Technical Society (JETS) Competition – state finalist
Junior Achievement Award winners
Latin Certamen Competition – gold or silver medalist
Massachusetts Foreign Language Association (MAFLA) Essay Contest
Massachusetts Foreign Language Association (MAFLA) Past President's Award
Massachusetts Business Education Association Award for Exemplary Achievement
Massachusetts or National History Day prizes for written papers, audio/visual presentations
Massachusetts Theater Guild competition finalist
Microsoft Certification Programs Computer Science
Massachusetts Music Educators Association: Music All State
National Arts Talent Search
National French Honor Society
National Language Exams – semi-finalist or finalist
National Merit Finalist
Publication in a literary magazine such as “The Concord Review”
Science Competitions, i.e., Science Olympiad individual honor award
Skills USA Skills Development Award
Regional Talent Search/Johns Hopkins University State Recognition
Shakespeare Competition – State finalist for outstanding performance
USAMO-USA Mathematical Olympiad
We the People – Competitions of the Center for Civic Education