

Alta Vista Community Charter School Charter Enrollment Lottery Process

The Lottery and Priority Applications: Public Random Drawing

If the number of applications for admission in any grade exceeds the capacity for that grade, available spaces in that grade will be filled by public random drawing/lottery. Applicants who are not enrolled in the program will be placed on a numbered waiting list. The public random drawing will be completed by grade by pulling slips of paper with applicants' names on them out of a container; and the drawing will be held in a public forum. The public random drawing will be conducted with the following admission preference and exemptions being given: Continuing students who are deemed to have been admitted to the charter school do not need to apply.

Specifically, the following categories of applicants are exempt from the lottery in this order:

- A. Siblings of students already admitted to or attending the same charter school, so long as there is space available. If space is not available for a sibling, they will be placed at the top of the wait list.
- B. Children of AVCCS founders
- C. Children of employees of the charter school, so long as the total number of students allowed under this exemption constitutes only a small percentage (less than 10%) of the school \ total enrollment

The following categories of applicants are given a 2:1 weight priority:

- A. Students who reside in the district in which the charter is located;
- B. Students seeking to change schools under the public school choice provisions of ESEA.
- C. Title I students, for the limited purpose of providing greater choice to students covered by those provisions;

After the lottery, families with winning lottery draws will receive an Invitation to Enroll and enrollment packet which must be completed and submitted to the AVCCS office within seven days in order to hold the spot. After seven days, if the enrollment packet is not received, the spot will be offered to the next student on the wait list.

If the number of applications to a grade does not exceed the number of spaces available in that grade, there will be no lottery for that grade, and all students for that grade who submitted qualified Requests for Admission may accept enrollment by submitting a completed enrollment packet within seven days of notification. Currently enrolled charter school students do not participate in the random drawing.

Alta Vista Community Charter School welcomes the public at its Enrollment Lottery event, although attendance is not required in order for a child to be entered.

Alta Vista Community Charter School is a California public charter school serving TK through 5th grade students who reside in Placer, Nevada, El Dorado, Sacramento, Sutter and Yuba counties. For more information about Alta Vista, please visit our website at www.altavista.auburn.k12.ca.us.