



"Working Collaboratively, Thinking Critically, Achieving Academically"
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Lottery Policy

Date Lottery Will Be Held:	First Friday in May (if required)
Time of Lottery:	9:00 AM
Location of Lottery:	The lottery will be held at the school's campus 5545 W Harrison Chicago, IL 60644
Application Deadline:	There is not an application deadline. Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis. If a grade reaches capacity after the lottery date, the student will be placed on a waitlist.
Lottery Process:	All students on the lottery list will be entered into an electronic random name picker which will be projected onto a screen. The principal, or a designee, will then use the picker to randomly select names until all available seats are filled. Please note that a recording of this entire process as well as regular updates regarding the lottery status is sent to Chicago Public Schools within 24 hours via an email to the Office of Innovation & Incubation.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can my family attend?	Each family is permitted to bring two (2) guests in addition to any student(s) who may be included in the lottery.
Will my child receive priority status if he/she has a sibling already enrolled at the school?	Yes, any student who has a sibling already enrolled at the school will automatically receive a seat if it is available. Please note that priority student refers to the immediate relative (brother or sister) of a currently enrolled student or those currently living with (proof required) a currently enrolled student.
When will I know my child's status?	Parents will be notified immediately if in attendance at the lottery. Otherwise, phone calls will be made the day of the lottery. If families cannot be reached, a letter will be sent home via certified mail.
How long do I have to make a decision?	Parents need to contact the school within two (2) business days. Failure to do so will forfeit the students seat.
What if my student is on the waitlist?	If seats remain open after the lottery process, families will be contacted in the order in which they applied. They will have two (2) business days to respond to the offer before their seat is forfeited and the next family is contacted.
How long will I remain on the waitlist?	All students will remain on the waitlist until they are enrolled, asked to be removed, or until the conclusion of the first quarter.