



BOARD RESOLUTION

UMCS ADMISSIONS POLICY – LOTTERY REVISION

Whereas the Urban Montessori Charter School petition was approved on October 11, 2011 by the Alameda County Office of Education on appeal from Oakland Unified School District; and

Whereas the Alameda County Office of Education has requested that the clarification in lottery preferences be included in UMCS board policy rather than in an MOU;

Now, therefore let it be resolved that the Urban Montessori Charter School adopts the following additions/clarifications/revisions to the lottery policy stated in the approved charter petition:

If the number of children who wish to attend an Urban Montessori school exceeds that school's capacity, admission, except for existing children of Urban Montessori Charter School, shall be determined by a public random drawing. In the case of a public random drawing, the following categories of children will be exempt from the public random drawing:

1. Currently enrolled children
2. Children of Urban Montessori Charter School founders; this exemption shall not exceed 10% of total enrollment.
3. Siblings of children currently enrolled in Urban Montessori Charter School
4. Children of full time Urban Montessori staff

If space is not available for all exempt applicants, admission will be offered in this order:

1. Children with multiple exemptions, with ranked priority given to the children with the greatest # of exemptions
2. Siblings of children currently enrolled at UMCS
3. Children of full time Urban Montessori staff
4. Children of UMCS founders

If there are more children in any of these categories than spaces available, then a lottery will determine which students are admitted with the remaining students put on a rank ordered waiting list. The remaining students in that exemption category as well as additional categories of exempt students will then be added to the waitlist, the order also determined by lotteries. In no case will a currently enrolled student be denied admission.

As part of the *single* public random drawing, the following categories will receive weighted preference for admission to the school¹ :

1. Children seeking to change schools under the public school choice provisions of ESEA; one additional lottery number will be assigned for this preference.

2. Children of Urban Montessori Charter School Board Members after two years of service on the Board; ten additional lottery numbers will be assigned for this preference.
3. Children residing within the boundaries of Oakland Unified District; one additional lottery number will be assigned for this preference.

All applications drawn after reaching capacity will be placed on a wait-list.

The above resolution and policy were adopted by the Urban Montessori Charter School Board on October 22, 2014.

Ayes:

Noes:

Abstentions:

I, Nancy McAfee, Secretary, of the Governing Board of Urban Montessori Charter School of Alameda County, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the said Board at a regular meeting and by the vote above stated, which resolution is on file in the office of the said Board.

Nancy McAfee, Board Secretary

Date