

# Enrollment Lottery Policy

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In accordance with Utah State Law, Venture will order, by random (“lottery”) selection, all applicants for enrollment in a given grade. Once an applicant has been placed on the list by lottery, that applicant will retain the spot on the list until the applicant’s parent or legal guardian refuses an offered opening either directly, or by default should they fail to respond to an offer, or elects to remove the child’s name from the list. Failure to respond to an offer moves the student to an inactive list until the parent contacts the school with their intent to remain on the list. They are then moved back to the appropriate position in the queue. Students only remain on the inactive list for 6 months. After this time parents must re-apply for enrollment.

Siblings of children who are enrolled are given preference on the waiting list after founding members. This means that when a child fills an open slot, all of that child’s siblings are either offered slots in their respective grades, or if there are not any current openings, they are placed on the bottom of the sibling list for their respective grades. Siblings are placed on the sibling waiting list once the primary sibling has accepted an offer and completed enrollment.

Enrollment lotteries will be completed during open meetings. Venture Academy will maintain a list of the monthly lottery results.

**Enrollment preference** will be given in the following order:

- Founding member children
- Siblings of currently attending Venture students
  - Note: Legal siblings have priority, irrespective of the household in which they reside
- Children of full-time staff members of Venture
- Children of a board member
- A student in the custody of a full time staff member
- A sibling of a previously enrolled student who attended for at least four consecutive years.
- A student residing in the same household as a currently enrolled student for at least 3 months
- Children of military service members that are re-enrolling at Venture after military relocation
- Children of part-time staff members of Venture if continuously employed after completing one school year of employment
- Incoming 9th graders who have graduated from Promontory School of Expeditionary Learning
- Incoming 7th to 9th graders who graduated from Voyage Academy (Voyage ends in 6th grade)
- Incoming 9th graders who graduated from Greenwood Charter School

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- Incoming 10th graders who graduated from Maria Montessori Academy

Enrollees will be offered seats in a manner that fills the greatest deficits but allows for siblings of newly enrolled students the best opportunity to also be offered seats.

## **Waitlist**

A student on the waitlist will continue on the list from year to year. Venture Academy staff will make an effort to contact parents every two years to confirm their desire to stay on the waitlist.