

AAHS Lottery Process

General Lottery A completed Enrollment Application is required in order to be included in the annual lottery and/or placed on the waiting list. (*See Exceptions to the Lottery Process below*)

The lottery for all grades will be held each May to determine placement for the following school year. (*See Exceptions to the Lottery Process.*) On that date, all existing and newly received Enrollment Applications, will be assigned a computerized, random number and placed sequentially to comprise the waiting list from which to fill the next year's class openings. Preference will be given with first priority to siblings of students and foster siblings of students and second priority to children of teachers and foster children of teachers working as teachers within the school according to MN Statute. All staff witnesses will sign a form certifying the lottery results and process, which will also be certified by the School Board.

Waiting lists will remain in place for one school year. All valid applications will be re-lotteried each May to include applications received since the previous year's lottery. Siblings and children of Academic Arts High School teachers will continue to receive preference as allowed by statute.

Former students who have withdrawn and requested to remain on the waiting list will be subject to the same policies and lottery process. Attempts will be made to fill all openings for the upcoming school year between May and the last day of school. Subsequent openings will be filled as they become available.

The **Waiting List** for Academic Arts High School is intended for the sole purpose of enrollment and distribution of information deemed appropriate by Academic Arts High School to be of interest to these parties. Academic Arts High School will not sell, distribute or otherwise disseminate waiting list information. Academic Arts High School will not use this list for solicitation purposes other than to gather interest and involvement in those things related to enrollment, expansion or related interests at Academic Arts High School.

Once a student is enrolled in the school, the student is considered enrolled in the school until the student formally withdraws or is expelled under the Pupil Fair Dismissal Act.

Exceptions to the Lottery Process (as allowed by MN Statute) In accordance with MN State Statute 124E, there are exceptions to the lottery process. An exception will be caused when a position is open and the overall enrollment is within the maximum enrollment numbers and there are no students on the waiting list (within the grade/classroom level.)

Open positions shall be advertised through marketing materials and posting notices, the Academic Arts High School website and various other methods. A deadline date will be specified for applications. An enrollment application will be required for record keeping, but said students will be exempt from the lottery process as defined in this policy.