

102/2 Admissions Policy

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to explain how Birch Grove Community School will decide whom to enroll as students in the school.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. Birch Grove Community School has historically had low student population due to many external factors. In all probability, the lottery process will not be needed due to our typical enrollment numbers and the large size of the facility in which we are housed.
- B. Birch Grove Community School will follow Minnesota Statue 124.D in its enrollment practices. The text of the law is as follows:

A charter school shall enroll an eligible pupil who submits a timely application, unless the number of applications exceeds the capacity of a program, class, grade level, or building. In this case, pupils must be accepted by lot. The charter school must develop and publish a lottery policy and process that it must use when accepting pupils by lot. A charter school shall give preference for enrollment to a sibling of an enrolled pupil and to a foster child of that pupil's parents and may give preference for enrolling children of the school's teachers before accepting other pupils by lot. A charter school may not limit admission to pupils on the basis of intellectual ability, measures of achievement or aptitude, or athletic ability and may not establish any criteria or requirements for admission that are inconsistent with this subdivision. The charter school shall not distribute any services or goods of value to students, parents, or guardians as an inducement, term, or condition of enrolling a student in a charter school.

III. Procedures

- A. Families interested in attending Birch Grove Community School need only fill out an Application Form to become enrolled. (The Application Form consists of student name, grade entering, and parent/guardian contact information.)
- B. In the unlikely event that Birch Grove Community School will need to hold a lottery, all statutes regarding this procedure will be followed.

Legal References: Minn. Stat. 124.D Charter Schools
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