



Global Outreach Charter Academy High School

Tuition - Free Public School #3573

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LOTTERY POLICY & PROCEDURES

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The application deadline will be set each year by the school's administration and published on the school's website. If the number of applicants exceeds the available seats in a program, class, grade level, or building after the application deadline, then a random lottery will be held to determine students to be enrolled. The school will maintain a waiting list of registered students who were not enrolled due to lack of space. Students who apply after the application deadline will be placed on the waiting list if there are no seats available in their particular program, class, grade level or building at the time of their application. When a seat becomes available an additional random lottery will be conducted among all the eligible students on the waiting list to fill the open seats. In accordance with Section 1002.31, Florida Statutes, beginning with applications for the 2020-2021 School Year, a student residing outside Duval County will be eligible to attend the school so long as there is capacity for the student at the school and such student is not subject to a current expulsion or suspension order. Therefore, students residing outside Duval County will not be placed on the waiting list. Once a student residing outside Duval County has been admitted to the school, they may remain at the school until completing the highest grade level offered by the school. The school will maintain current information on its website as to its available capacity.

There will be preferences made for the following:

- Preference 1 - Children of founding board members and school employees.
- Preference 2 - Siblings of enrolled students at GOCA HS. In accordance with Section 1002.31, Florida Statutes, beginning with applications for the 2020-2021 School Year, a student residing outside the County will be eligible to attend GOCA HS so long as there is capacity for the student at the applicable School after admission of all in-County student applicants and such student is not subject to a current expulsion or suspension order. Once a student residing outside the County has been admitted to GOCA HS, they may remain at GOCA HS until completing the highest grade level offered by GOCA HS.

The lottery procedures are as follows:

1. One index card will be created for each student on the applicant list containing student name, grade, and siblings applying (if applicable).
2. Index cards will be separated by grade level and placed in a marked container.
3. Names will be drawn on a rotational grade-level basis.
4. If a card is drawn with siblings listed, said siblings will be automatically selected.
5. If a grade level is full for a sibling automatically selected, said student will not be selected for enrollment, but will receive a preference for enrollment for future lotteries (if the selected sibling enrolls).
6. Cards will continue to be drawn through grade levels until all vacancies are filled or all cards have been drawn.
7. If cards remain after all vacancies are filled, the student names will be returned to the applicant list from which future lotteries will be conducted.
8. A new lottery will be run when vacancies occur. All names on the applicant list received as of the application due date will be included in each lottery.