

STATEWIDE ENROLLMENT OPTIONS LOTTERY PROCEDURES
for HOPKINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

All open enrollment applications received by January 15th deadline will be processed through an impartial lottery. Priority placement will be given to:

- (1) Siblings of current open enrolled students
- (2) Children of current/active employees of Hopkins Public Schools

If needed, three separate randomized lotteries will be held for each grade level at each elementary school. The groups to be processed are: (1) siblings of current open enrolled students; (2) children of current/active employees of Hopkins Public Schools; and all remaining applicants – in this order. Results will be added to a master list in this same order.

This same process will be repeated for secondary level schools.

Once the master list is generated, placements are made on a space available basis, in the order generated by the lotteries.

Applicants not placed during the initial round will remain on a waiting list. Applicants applying after the January 15th deadline will be added to the waiting list by date of submission. The priority categories referenced above will be applied as appropriate, which may affect waiting list numbers.

Current numbers for all locations/grade levels and the waiting list will be reviewed on a regular basis, with placements made as allowed.

Waiting lists do not roll from one year to the next. Applicants must re-apply from one year to the next if they remain on the waiting list at the end of the school year.

Open Enrollment for XinXing Chinese Immersion, Juntos Spanish Immersion, and Hopkins VirtualEDU

The same process noted above will be followed for the immersion programs, as well as Hopkins VirtualEDU, with the following exception:

Hopkins School District residents will always have priority for placement at XinXing, Juntos, or VirtualEDU, regardless of when the application is received. If an open enrollment waiting list exists and a resident application is received, it will move to the top of the waiting list.

For open enrollment into Hopkins Public Schools, including the Chinese and Spanish immersion programs and VirtualEDU: If you receive an offer for placement, there will be a deadline by which you are **required** to respond. If you miss this deadline, the space you were offered will be given to another child from the waiting list. If you decide you are still interested in pursuing open enrollment, you will need to re-apply.