

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OF CHOICE

(TK-5) 2025-2026

Parents may submit a School of Choice (SOC) application online through their ParentVUE account beginning **Monday, March 3, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.** The School of Choice application deadline is **Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 11:59 p.m.** (ParentVUE is a website that allows parents to view their child's current and historical information, including daily attendance, grades, report cards, test scores, discipline, graduation status, preparation for college and more.)

Parents may select up to ten (10) Elementary/K-8 School of Choice schools on one application.

Elementary students NEW to Long Beach Unified School District will need to complete enrollment at their school of residence.

School of Choice applications are selected **randomly** from those submitted by the posted deadline date. SOC applications are not processed on a "first come, first served basis."

School of Choice application status will be available on ParentVUE **Thursday, May 1, 2025** after 5:00 p.m. For application status, parents will login to their ParentVUE account and click on the School of Choice link on the left-hand side of the screen. From the child's screen, parents will select the link for "**Other Parents Click To Open SOC Application**" to access the SOC application.

### **Accepted Applications**

Parents will have until **Friday, May 9, 2025** to select the school of attendance by setting **INTENT** for the School of Choice. Parents must then **CERTIFY** the selection to confirm acceptance. Parents will receive a confirmation email with the school assignment. Acceptance from the school site will be withdrawn if Intent and Certification is not done by **May 9, 2025**.

Beginning **Monday, May 12, 2025**, parents who have not set an Intent for a school may change (add or delete) schools to which they have applied. Deleting a school removes the application from the waitlist. Adding a school places the application on the waitlist in a date/time applied order. Schools must exhaust their priority list from Round 1 before selecting additional applications.

### **Waitlist Applications (Round 1 Waitlist, Round 2 Applications)**

Applications marked "Not Accepted Round 1", will remain active and on a waitlist until **August 25, 2025**. New SOC selections from the waitlist may be made as space becomes available. Applicants selected from the Round 1 waitlist and from Round 2 will receive an email instructing them to login to ParentVUE for updated application status. (Note: All Round 1 waitlist applicants must be exhausted before Round 2 applications may be accepted.)

## **PRIORITY ORDER OF OPTIONS FOR SCHOOL ENROLLMENT**

1. Neighborhood students in a school's attendance boundary have first priority for enrollment. (Students must be in attendance on the first day of school). Students whose home school is overcrowded will have priority placement after neighborhood students.
2. Brothers and sisters of students already in attendance at a school of choice and continuing the next year at the same school will be given priority based upon space availability.
3. Dual Immersion
4. Attend school other than school of residence. (Special consideration will be given to children currently enrolled in a LBUSD CDC program and that will continue LBUSD childcare at the same school.)

## **DISTRICT POLICIES**

1. No district transportation is provided.
2. School of Choice applications are approved based on space availability, reason for attendance, and if the student meets the requirements and/or submitted all appropriate documents.
3. School of Choice applications are selected **randomly** from those submitted by the posted deadline date. SOC applications are not processed on a "first come, first served basis." Applications not selected in Round 1 will be placed on a waitlist and remain active until the new school year begins. Round 2 applications will be accepted after the Round 1 waitlist is exhausted.
4. School of Choice is TENTATIVE through the end of the first day of school. New resident students have priority in attending schools in their attendance area. Therefore, a new neighborhood student may displace a NEW School of Choice transfer student on the first day of school. After the first day of school, SOC transfer students have the right to remain at the school.
5. School of Choice applications may be denied, or voided, if information is incorrect or falsified.
6. School of Choice approval for a school does NOT guarantee space in any specific program, course, or class at that school.