

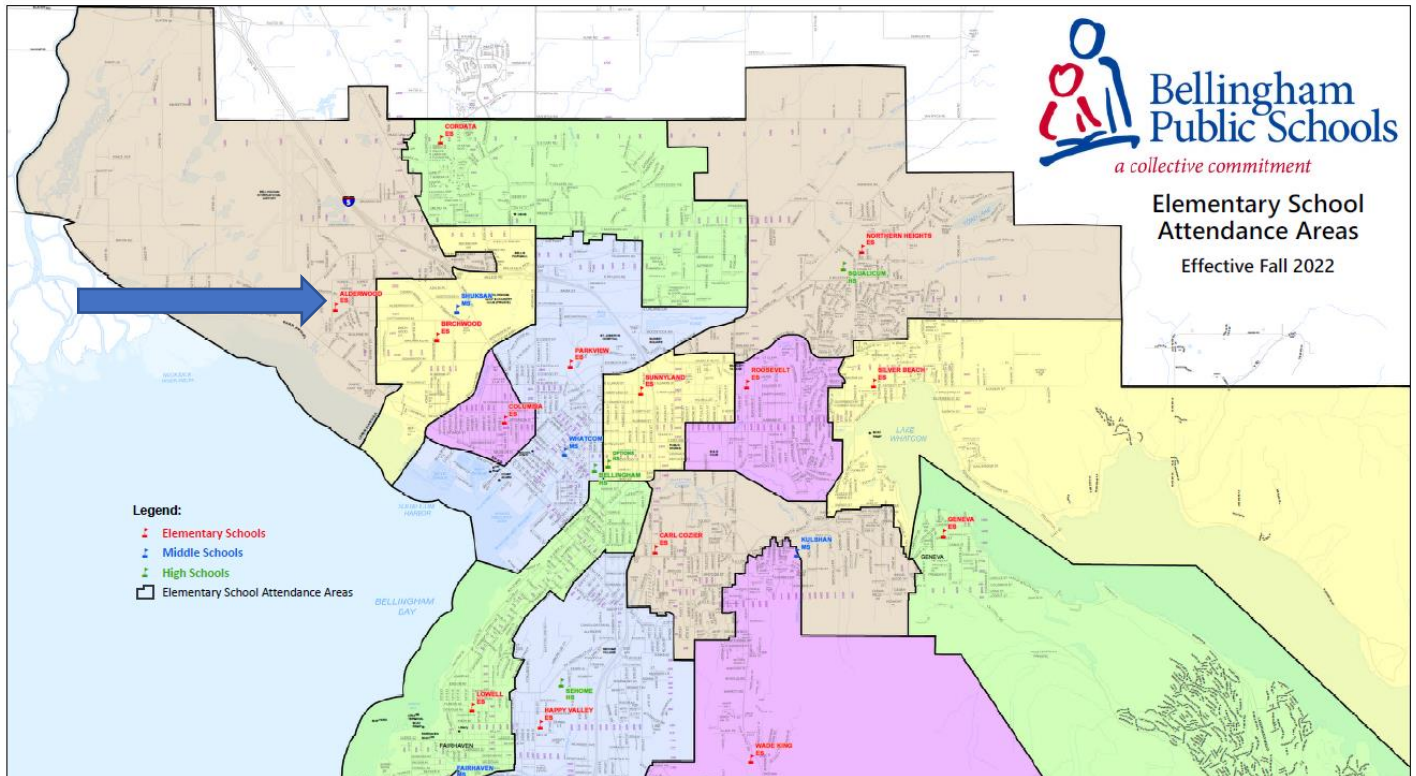
Alderwood Elementary Access/Admissions Policy

Mission Statement

Alderwood students, families, and community create our school family. We embrace diversity and work together to develop ourselves as reflective, principled, life-long learners. Through collaborative and personalized instruction, we ensure all students reach high standards of intellectual and social development. Our school family strives to be compassionate, productive, and balanced citizens of today's global community.

Admissions

Alderwood Elementary is a public elementary that is part of Bellingham Public Schools (BPS) District. Admissions to Alderwood is based on school district boundaries created by BPS. We serve all students in our attendance area.



Transfers

Families have the option to request a transfer into all elementary schools in Bellingham Public Schools. Transfer requests may come from families who live within or outside of district boundaries and are reviewed by administration to be approved or declined on a case-by-case basis. Factors considered include:

- Educational consistency for students
- Class size
- Reliable Transportation

Special Programs

In addition to serving our PreK- 5th grade neighborhood population, Alderwood also serves students from across the District in an inclusive preschool program for 3 to 4-year-olds. Students may be at Alderwood between one and two years before changing to the school in their home neighborhood when they are 5.

(Revised from Carl Cozier Admission policy- used with permission)