

Explorers Registration Task Force

Meeting 1: September 23, 2025



Today's Agenda

1. How the Task Force was formed
2. Introductions
3. Purpose, goals & timeline
4. Norms and expectations
5. Current registration practices
6. Survey review



How the Task Force was formed:

1. **Application window**
2. **Representation from:**
 - a. **Waitlisted families**
 - b. **Currently attending families**
 - c. **Open enrolled families**
 - d. **Resident families**
 - e. **All Elementary Schools**
 - f. **District Employees**

Introductions

- Name
- Relationship to
Minnetonka Explorers

Welcome!



The scope of the Task Force is to review the current registration process and develop possible options and recommendations.

The goal of the Task Force is to provide input and guidance that will inform how the Explorers childcare registration process is structured for the 2026–27 school year.



Timeline



Group Norms

I. Respect & Trust

- Dignity and Respect
- Confidentiality
- Openness

II. Communication & Feedback

- Transparency
- Constructive Feedback
- Active Listening
- Clear Communication

III. Accountability & Commitment

- Honor Commitments
- Ownership
- Support & Cooperation

IV. Meeting Effectiveness

- Punctuality
- Preparedness
- Balanced Participation
- Action-Oriented
- Adhere to scope

V. Decision-Making & Conflict Resolution

- Open Debate
- Benefit of the Doubt
- Seek to Understand

VI. Innovation & Brainstorming

- Idea Contribution
- Building on Ideas
- Respect Constraints

School Year 2024-25

- Opening Registration Date: **March 12, 2024 at 8:00 am**
 - Total Contracts Received through March 31, 2024: **951**
 - Accepted all contracts submitted before **March 31, 2024**
 - Waitlist on April 2024: **63**
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School Year 2025-26

- Opening Date: **March 11, 2025 at 8:00 am**
- Total Contracts Received on March 11, 2025: **1,281**
- Total Contracts Initially Approved: **1,165**
- Accepted all contracts submitted by **8:13 AM on March 11, 2025**
- Waitlist on April 1, 2025: **116**

Explorers Registration Data



Survey

Purpose of the survey:

To collect community input on preferred approaches to the registration process in order to inform and guide the work of the Task Force.

[Linked](#)



Survey Review

- Review proposed survey
- Elbow partner discussion
- Feedback sharing from the group

Priority Registration Considerations

- District Employee
- Returning Families
- Siblings
- Kindergarten
- Financial Need
- Special Education
- In District
- Open Enrolled
- Other?

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Questions?

Next Meeting: October 21, 2025- 211 Makerspace

