

## **Middle School Over-Enrollment Policy**

Approved by Board of Trustees on March 12, 2024.

Due to space limitations and the number of returning middle school students, the Board of Trustees have developed a policy to determine enrollment.

Middle school classes (grades 6 through 8) will be filled pursuant to this policy.

### Current MACS Students

Current MACS students will be given priority in middle school enrollment for the next school year.

Current students must complete their intent to return form by the stated deadline to be considered for enrollment in middle school grades the next year.

No later than April 1st, MACS will conduct a lottery of current students who have indicated that they intend to return for the following school year.

Current MACS students in good standing (defined as having 5 or fewer unexcused absences in the past year and no suspensions) will be placed in Group 1 of the lottery. Students in Group 1 will be ranked in the following order:

1. Founders, Board, and Staff children
2. Any student with a sibling who is a current MACS student in grades K-4.

Middle school grade enrollment will be given to students in Group 1 first.

Then, if middle school grade enrollment is not filled by students in Group 1, all other current MACS students will be put in Group 2 of the lottery. MACS will conduct a lottery of all students in Group 2 and will offer remaining middle school grade enrollment to Group 2 students in order of their lottery number.

### New Applicants

If openings still remain in middle school grades, new applicants who met the application deadline and were in the admission lottery will be placed in Group 3. MACS will offer any remaining open middle school grade spaces to Group 3 students in order of their lottery number.

If openings still remain in middle school grades after all students in Group 3 have been placed into middle school classes, any other applicants will be offered enrollment on a first come, first served basis.

This policy will be in effect ONLY if the middle school is faced with over enrollment.