

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ALL CITY ELEMENTARY (ACE) ENROLLMENT

Q—How do I apply?

A—At All City, we use an Indication of Interest (IOI) form for families to indicate an interest in having children attend ACE. These can be completed at any time after the child is born. To receive one, all the school office at 367-6120 or they are available at the ACE PTA website at www.allcitypta.org

Q—Do I need to fill out an IOI form for all my children?

A—Yes, each child’s family should express an interest in attending ACE, for our records. According to our enrollment procedures, any younger siblings of current ACE students will have priority in attending ACE.

Q—How do I know what year my child will be attending kindergarten?

A—Your child must be 5 year of age no later than September 1 of the year in which you are seeking enrollment.

Q—How will I know where my child is on the waiting list?

A—We typically have an average of 11 slots available per kindergarten class after offering slots to the siblings of those already attending ACE. In January of the year in which you are seeking enrollment, we determine the number of slots available and begin offering those openings **based on the date** of which your IOI form was returned to ACE. All prospective families receive a letter in January explaining their placement in the school or on the waiting list.

Q—Can I get a tour of the building?

A—Yes. Call the school office to set this up. A parent volunteer conducts these tours, depending on a mutually agreed upon schedule with those interested in the tour.

Q—What if my child does not get into kindergarten in the year in which we indicate interest?

A—If you wish to remain on the waiting list for first grade you may do so and your date of interest will remain as the original date.

Q—What if we turn down a slot offered to us?

A—If you turn down a slot offered to you, you may request to stay on the waiting list with the new date on your IOI form being the date you contacted the school. If you are making the decision to wait a year before your student starts kindergarten, your IOI form will be moved to the following year's class with the original date of interest on it.

Q—How soon will you accept Indication of Interest forms?

A—Your son or daughter must be born and/or officially residing with you in order for us to accept an IOI form. Forms filed with us for children as yet unborn will be returned. (Please do not send forms when you know your due date!)

Q—When do you accept Indication of Interest forms?

A—We accept IOI forms for every grade level at any time, according to information outlined above.

Q—How many hours of commitment time are required if my child is accepted into ACE?

A—We expect 135 hours per child enrolled at ACE. After your first year, there are a variety of ways to get these hours including but not limited to: in class time, specialty event coordinator, PTA officer service, etc. In-class time is expected for commitment fulfillment with your first child at ACE. The minimum expectation of in-class commitment after your first year is half of these 135 hours, or 67 ½ hours (usually 4 hours every other week, or 2 hours every week). In spring, commitment forms detailing available options are distributed and collected. There is a commitment coordinator who handles any questions as assignments are made.