

# **LNC LOTTERY Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Q: How does the lottery process work?

A: LNCharter utilizes a twofold process to conduct the lottery:

- Parents/guardians complete and submit an online lottery application from November 1 - January 31 of each year. Parents/guardians receive an application confirmation number upon completing their application. Each year the lottery will start over, so if you apply and are not accepted you will need to reapply to the next year's lottery to be considered.
- 2. At the time of the lottery, the data collected from all application submissions will be used to run our computerized lottery system.

#### Q: How can I find out if my child has been admitted?

A: The day after the lottery has been drawn we will place a link on our home page that will take you to a site where you can check the lottery results. Simply enter your child's application confirmation number when prompted.

## Q: What if I have forgotten or lost my application confirmation number?

A: Please double check your email account for the confirmation email you received at the time you completed your online application. Sometimes the confirmations will go to a junk mail or spam account; please check here also. If you cannot locate this email, please send an email to <a href="lottery@Incharter.org">lottery@Incharter.org</a> and include your name, your student's name, grade level applied for, and the student's date of birth. Our Lottery Coordinator will research your request and email you your application confirmation number.

### Q: How do I know if my lottery application has been received?

**A:** After you have completed your application you will receive an email confirmation with your application number. If you have this confirmation email you can be certain that your application has been received. Print this email out for your records as you will need the number to check your status after the lottery.

## Q: I realized that I entered the wrong grade level/date of birth. What should I do?

**A:** Email <u>lottery@Incharter.org</u> with your name, your student's name, grade level applied for, the student's date of birth and the item needing

correction. We will confirm by return email that the change has been made. Do not submit another application.

- Q: My kindergarten child will not be 5 by the August 31<sup>st</sup> deadline. Are you accepting early kindergarten enrollment?
- **A:** We are not accepting students who have not reached 5 years of age by August 31.
- Q: I have been placed on the waitlist. How will I know when I move?
- A: Once the lottery has been drawn, there will be a link on our home page labeled "Lottery Results Click Here." You will enter your application number and will see your student's current status. This is updated as spots become available; typically we do not see waitlist changes until mid-June of each year. This site will be updated daily until the 20th day of the school year. If a spot becomes available we will contact you by phone and/or email.
- Q: If I don't get accepted this year will I have to reapply next year?
- **A:** Yes, the waitlists will end after the 20th day of school. You will need to reapply during the open application period the following year; no names are carried over.
- Q: I am applying for twins, if one is accepted will the other twin be accepted also?
- **A**: Yes, you will enter as two applications and select the "multiple" button. See below.
- Please Note: Multiple Birth Sibling Rule: If multiple birth siblings apply for admission to a charter school (IE twins or triplets etc.) and a lottery is needed under G.S. 115C-238.29F(g)(6), the charter school shall enter one surname into the lottery to represent all of the multiple birth siblings. If that surname of the multiple birth siblings is selected, then all of the multiple birth siblings shall be admitted.

A separate application for each multiple must be entered. Each child will receive his/her own application confirmation number. We will group the applications together internally by one surname for the lottery and the students will be selected together.

- Q: I currently live out of state but plan to move in the summer for next school year, can I still apply?
- **A:** No, you must be a resident of North Carolina at the time of the lottery to be eligible to apply.

Proof of Residency: The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, Division of Charter Schools, mandates that applications from out-of-state residents are not eligible for admission unless proof of North Carolina residency can be provided prior to the date of the lottery.

- Q: I am applying for two of my children. If one gets accepted, will the other get in or automatically move up as a sibling for his/her grade?
- **A:** No, the sibling's status will remain for this year. If he/she is not accepted in his/her own right, you will need to reapply next year as a sibling (providing the original sibling is still attending).