

Carbon Valley Academy – Lottery Priority Policy

First preference for enrollment – Students with completed pre-application forms prior to Carbon Valley Academy’s (CVA) original charter application on September 1, 2004 have first priority. If these students do not enroll in the fall of 2005, their priority expires. They may enter later through the general lottery.

Second preference – Students already enrolled in CVA will be given priority for the next year’s enrollment as long as their family has completed 20 volunteer hours by spring break. However, this requirement may be waived by the CVA Board on a case-by-case basis.

Third preference – Siblings of children already enrolled have third preference. Siblings of any child who previously declined enrollment or who withdrew from the waiting list are not given third preference but will be entered in the general lottery.

Note: a “sibling” is defined as any child(ren) living in the same household or with common parent(s) in separate households. Any sibling born while a student is enrolled will retain sibling status even if the original student graduates from CVA before their sibling reaches kindergarten.

Any sibling offered a position in the first semester must enroll or forfeit their sibling position and be subject to general lottery rules if they enroll later. If offered a position in the third quarter, the sibling can decline enrollment and still retain their sibling priority for the following school year.

Fourth preference – This is given to those children with completed pre-applications prior to September 1, 2004 who did not meet the age requirements for kindergarten in fall of 2005. If these students do not enroll for kindergarten and attempt to enroll at a later time, they will be enrolled through the general lottery process.

Fifth preference – This is given to children of the principal, and half-time and greater teachers and staff of CVA. After August 2005, staff and teachers will be given first priority.

No new placements will be accepted in the fourth quarter. No new students will be allowed to enroll after the second semester in the seventh and eighth grades.

The lottery will be governed by the following rules:

- It will take place monthly in accordance with Colorado Department of Education policies.
- Prior to enrolling in the lottery, each parent must attend an orientation meeting, complete a registration form and agreed to abide by CVA policies.
- Each child may only enter the lottery for one grade level each year.
- All students will be placed on an order drawn list that will become the wait list for openings through the year.
- Each lottery wait list will remain active for only one school year. All students must reenter the lottery each spring.
- CVA will abide by Colorado Statutes regarding open enrollment.
- Enrollment is in the spring on a date set by CVA’s Board of Directors.