

# Gerald Dawkins Academy Enrollment Information for 2025-2026

Applications for new families will be live from January 6, 2025 to March 31, 2025.

Lottery will be held on April 15th, 2025.

Lottery results will be released in May 2025.

#### Who is eligible to attend Gerald Dawkins Academy?

Gerald Dawkins Academy is a tuition-free, public charter school that serves children in kindergarten through fifth grade for the 2025-2026 school year.

### How are applications used to be offered a seat at Gerald Dawkins Academy?

If there are more applicants than spaces available, applicants are placed in a lottery. The lottery will select students based on enrollment priorities that have been set by Gerald Dawkins Academy's board policy. Students that are not seated will be placed on the waitlist according to the order their names were selected.

#### **Priority Ranks**

- A) Pupils who enrolled in the Academy in the immediately preceding school year;
- B) Siblings of enrolled students;
- C) Children of a person who is employed by or at the Academy or who is on the Board of Directors:
- D) Pupils who transfer to the Academy from another public school academy pursuant to a valid matriculation agreement between the Academy and another public school.

#### How many spots are available at each grade?

The number of available spots varies per grade. The Gerald Dawkins Academy reserves the right to manage the number of offers made from the waitlist at each grade level in order to balance class size and to follow best educational practices.

#### When will the lottery take place?

The lottery date for the 2025-2026 school year will be Tuesday, April 15, 2025.

#### How will I know the enrollment status of my student after the lottery?

A letter will be emailed to the email address provided on the application in May 2025. Those students who are on the waiting list will also receive an email indicating their place on the waitlist.

## My child was offered a seat to attend the Gerald Dawkins Academy for the 2024-2025 school year, what happens next?

The parents/guardians of students who have been offered a seat must accept their seat and complete enrollment 15 days after the email has been sent. If the enrollment application has not been completed after the deadline, the seat will be automatically declined and offered to the next person in line. Seats can be accepted or declined using the link sent via email or by emailing <a href="mailto:dnoble@dawkinsacademy.org">dnoble@dawkinsacademy.org</a> or <a href="mailto:admin@dawkinsacademy.org">admin@dawkinsacademy.org</a>.

### If my child has accepted a seat to attend Gerald Dawkins Academy, what is required to complete the enrollment process?

The parent/guardian must complete the registration form that will be sent by email after the seat has been accepted. The completed registration and the required documentation listed below must be submitted 15 days after the email offer letter has been emailed. A separate registration form must be completed for each student that has been offered and accepted a seat.

#### Required Documentation:

- Student's birth certificate
- Parent/guardian valid ID
- Student's immunization record
- Proof of address
- Additional documentation required for kindergarten ONLY
  - Vision and hearing screening
  - Health form

#### What happens if my child's name has been put on the waitlist?

Your child will remain on the waitlist throughout the current school year until a spot opens in the applicable grade. Please ensure the school has your most updated contact information (phone numbers, addresses, etc.) so we can contact you if a spot becomes available.