

# Bridgeport Board of Education

## Elementary Magnet School Sibling Policy

A Sibling Policy has been adopted in order to encourage single, rather than divided, elementary school allegiances and thereby promote high levels of parental involvement and provide for continuity within the household.

### **Definition:**

Within the context of this policy, siblings are defined as children who reside in the same household with a common parent or legal guardian.

### **Entrance criteria:**

For Classical Studies Magnet Academy, High Horizons Magnet, Multicultural Magnet and Park City Magnet schools:

- There are no criteria for entering Kindergarten; grades 1-8 must meet minimal report card and behavior standards.

### **The Process:**

Kindergarten

- Kindergarten applicants, with a sibling(s) currently attending grades K-7 in the same magnet school to which they have applied, will automatically gain admission into the school. Remaining spaces will be filled by non-sibling applicants.
- In the event the number of sibling candidates alone exceeds the number of spaces available, a sibling lottery will be held with the non-sibling lottery to follow.
- Twins, triplets, etc., will be treated as one unit in the lottery with their lottery numbers placed on the same lottery waiting list.

### **Waiting List: Grades 1-8**

Waiting lists are established for students applying for grades 1-8. When a vacancy occurs, siblings will be given preference for admission over non-siblings in the order in which their names appear on the waiting list.