

North Lawndale College Prep Lottery & Waitlist Policy

Non-Discrimination Statement

• NLCP accepts scholars on a nondiscriminatory basis. If there are more eligible applicants for enrollment than there are spaces available, successful applicants shall be selected by lottery and thereafter off a waitlist. However, NLCP has designated sibling priority in GoCPS for 9th grade applicants. Transfers into 10th-12th will not have sibling priority. Priority shall also be designated for scholars who were enrolled in NLCP the previous school year, unless expelled for cause.

How Students Will Be Selected

Incoming 9th Graders

• For 9th grade enrollment, admission occurs via the GoCPS platform for selection during Round 1 and 2. If eligible applicants exceed spaces available, NLCP will select students by lottery. The lottery will be held two weeks before the 1st day of school. The outcome of the lottery as well as video footage will be submitted to CPS by September 1st of each school year. The lottery will be held and videotaped via Zoom at each campus location. A zoom link will be posted on the website. For incoming 9th graders seeking enrollment after Round 1 and 2 of GoCPS, students must apply during the 9th grade transfer window designated by CPS. If no space is available, students will be placed on a waitlist.

10th-12th Graders

- For all 10th, 11th, and 12th graders, NLCP accepts completed transfer applications on a rolling basis. If there are more eligible transfer applicants than there are spaces available, successful applicants shall be selected by lottery and thereafter off a waitlist. Students will automatically be added to the waitlist of the campus they applied for, and this list is maintained until the end of the school year. Students will be notified by email and telephone of their application status, with 48 business hours to accept an admission offer.
- Applications for 10th, 11th, and 12th grade seats received after the close of the transfer application window will be admitted if seats are available on a rolling basis through the 4th week of the first semester and thereafter placed on a waitlist with 48 business hours to accept an admission offer.
- There will be quarterly transfer windows. During each window, students will be admitted first from the waitlist and then new applications thereafter based on seat availability by grade level with 48 business hours to accept an admission offer. The resulting waitlist will be maintained through the end of that school year.
- If the student is on the waitlist for one of NLCP campuses but cannot be enrolled due to enrollment cap, they will be offered a spot on the bottom waitlist of the other campus. The student will have 48 business hours to accept their spot on the waitlist.

Sibling Priority

• NLCP has designated sibling priority in GoCPS for incoming 9th grade applicants. There is no sibling priority for transfer applicants in 10th-12th grade.