

A. Foundations and Basic Commitments
Policy A-401: Student Selection Criteria
Policy

Valhalla Community School seeks to meet the needs of all students and to provide the maximum opportunity for student success. Consideration will be given to our capacity to meet the special needs of students in terms of prior achievement, learning disabilities, and behavioral challenges, when meeting with families and registering students.

If enrollment applications exceed the maximum student capacity for the school, or the maximum capacity for individual classes, the following criteria will be used for selection purposes.

Priority will be given to:

1. Students within the designated Valhalla Community School Boundary.
2. Siblings of students already attending the VCS.
3. Children of staff members.
4. First come first served to all other students.

Guidelines

1. Before the end of the school year, parents of students currently attending Valhalla Community School will be given the opportunity to register their children for the next school year.
2. New students will be admitted if there are spaces available in the following order of priority:
 - a. Students living within the designated Valhalla Community School boundary.
 - b. Siblings of students already attending Valhalla Community School.
 - c. Children of staff members.
 - d. First come first served to all other students.
3. With the exception of students whose family has relocated during the school year to a residence within the designated Valhalla Community School boundary, no new students will be accepted after September 30 of the school year.
4. A 'New Student' is defined as a student who is not registered at Valhalla Community School by September 30 of the given year.
5. The Board may consider exceptional circumstances.

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