

MONTESSORI TIEBREAKERS FOR 2010-11

Open Enrollment Applications for Graham Hill Montessori

WHO	GUARANTEED ASSIGNMENT	TIEBREAKERS FOR TRADITIONAL PROGRAM	TIEBREAKERS FOR MONTESSORI PRE-KINDERTGARTEN
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incoming PreK student • Has a PreK-4 sibling at the school • Lives in the attendance area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not applicable. Assignment to Montessori PreK is by application only; depends on space availability. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not applicable; no traditional PreK program is offered at Graham Hill by SPS. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sibling 2. Attendance area 3. Lottery <p>If the student applies for Montessori (and/or South Shore PreK) and does not get assigned to either choice, the student is placed on the waiting list for their first choice.</p>
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All Open Enrollment applications for Montessori PreK are processed using the tiebreakers shown above. No students are assigned to Montessori PreK (3 year olds) prior to Open Enrollment. Students enrolled in Montessori PreK (3 year olds) in 2009-10 are grandfathered to continue in the Montessori program through 5th grade without reapplying. Applicants for Montessori PreK (4 year olds) who are siblings and live in the attendance area will be the first to be assigned to Montessori PreK (4 year olds) if space is available after continuing 3 year olds are rolled up to Montessori 4 year olds.. The sibling tiebreaker is based on having a PreK-4 sibling at the school; it doesn't matter if the sibling is in the traditional program or the Montessori program.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incoming K student • Has a PreK-4 sibling at the school • Lives in the attendance area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starts out assigned to traditional K at Graham Hill.* 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No tiebreakers applicable or necessary; guaranteed a seat in traditional K. <p>If the student applies for any other school or program, including Montessori, and does not get assigned to any of their choices, the student is placed on the waiting list for their first choice and still keeps the assignment to traditional K.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sibling 2. Attendance area 3. Lottery <p>If the student applies for Montessori (and any other schools or programs) and does not get assigned to any of their choices, the student is placed on the waiting list for their first choice and still keeps the assignment to traditional K.</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incoming K student • Has a PreK-4 sibling at the school • Does not live in the attendance area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Starts out assigned to their attendance area school.* 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Sibling 5. Attendance area (<i>not applicable</i>) 6. Lottery <p>Student can apply for traditional and/or Montessori K (and other choices) in any order, depending on their preferences. If the student does not get assigned to any of their choices, the student is placed on the waiting list for their first choice and still keeps the assignment to their attendance area school.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sibling 2. Attendance area (<i>not applicable</i>) 3. Lottery <p>If the student applies for Montessori (and any other schools or programs) and does not get assigned to any of their choices, the student is placed on the waiting list for their first choice and still keeps the assignment to their attendance area school.</p>
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All attendance area kindergarten students start with an initial assignment to traditional K. (This is done as the first step in the computer process, whether the student registered early or during Open Enrollment.) Then, all Open Enrollment applications for Montessori are processed using the tiebreakers shown above. No students are assigned to Montessori K prior to Open Enrollment except for students continuing from Montessori PreK. Applicants for Montessori K who are siblings and live in the attendance area will be the first to be assigned to Montessori K if space is available after students continuing from Montessori PreK are rolled up to Montessori K. Families should list the programs in order of their true preference: a student not assigned to the first choice will be wait listed for the first choice; the computer will re-process the second choice as if it had been the first choice (Barnhart/Waldman processing), etc. The sibling tiebreaker is based on having a PreK-4 sibling at the school; it doesn't matter if the sibling is in the traditional or the Montessori program. Students already attending Graham Hill Montessori PreK are grandfathered to continue in the Montessori program through 5th grade without reapplying. An application is needed to change to the traditional program if desired.

*If the services a student needs are not available at the assigned school, the student will be assigned to another school where the services are provided.