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Early Admission Policy for STEAM Academy

Application to STEAM Academy is open to all students that live in the state of Minnesota. STEAM ACADEMY is a public, charter school. There are no fees or admissions tests to apply to this public school.

Early Entrance Procedures

For early entrance consideration, a child must attain the age of five (5) years after September 1, but not later than October 1.

To assist the family, child and staff to make appropriate arrangements, STEAM Academy School requests:

1. Families interested in enrolling in STEAM Academy School should complete the student application either on-line or in person at the school office by the posted lottery deadline to show intent of pursuing early enrollment to Kindergarten.
2. The School Principal or his/her designee will meet with the family and describe the district process. An Early Entrance Packet will be made available at the time enrollment is offered. The school team will independently evaluate each child's readiness to meet kindergarten expectations.
3. It is STEAM Academy's policy that a child applying to Kindergarten must turn 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1st of the year they will be starting school unless the child turns 5 by October 1st and demonstrates readiness through a comprehensive evaluation that uses valid and reliable instrumentation, is aligned with state kindergarten expectations, and includes a parent report and teacher observations of the child's knowledge, skills, and abilities.
 - Principals are encouraged to include a Kindergarten teacher and psychologist during the meeting.
 - The enrollment packet should be presented to the family in a format & language that suits their needs with the expectation that it is completed and returned by the family prior to August 1st.
 - Families will be notified prior to the start of school of the district's response to Early Entrance.

Enrollment Preference

Enrollment preferences will be given consistent with STEAM Academy's Admission & Lottery policy and applicable Minnesota statutes.