



Re: Sibling Priority Enrollment

January, 2012

Dear Parents,

You are receiving this letter because you have a Kindergarten- 5th grade student currently enrolled in the Belmont-Redwood Shores School District. The Board of Trustees approved a new policy governing student enrollment and school assignment in October 2011. The new enrollment process will start in February 2012 for the 2012-13 school year.

Under this process, a new Kindergarten enrollee with an older sibling in Kindergarten through fifth grade will be enrolled at their older siblings' school (*i.e.*, "grandfathered"). This is referred to as "Sibling Priority" and this priority is only available during the first enrollment period of February.

You are encouraged to enroll your incoming Kindergartener during February to ensure his/her assignment to the elementary school your child/children currently attend.

Should you defer enrollment to another enrollment period, your child will be assigned by the District through a well-studied algorithm designed to minimize total walking distance in the District while optimizing school capacities by assigning students to the closest schools that have available room.

The elementary schools have arranged a special "Sibling Priority" enrollment period between Monday, February 6, 2012 and Friday, February 10, 2012 at your resident school site for brothers and sisters of currently enrolled students who will be entering kindergarten in the 2012-2013 school year. If you cannot enroll your child during that week; the First Enrollment Period and "Sibling Priority" end on February 29.

All Enrollment forms may be downloaded from the Belmont-Redwood Shores School District website, www.brssd.org under "New Postings."

Please contact your school office or Renee Boatwright at 650-637-4800, ext. 1013 in Educational Services if you have any questions regarding our enrollment process.

Sincerely,

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