



January 10, 2018

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Re: Children who are currently on the District Master List

As mentioned in previous emails, the Langley School District is changing the procedure for application to Programs of Choice (French Immersion, Fundamental, Fine Arts, and Montessori). Please refer to Policy 5084.

We are pleased to advise you that the Board of Education has re-considered the grandfathering process for applications of Programs of Choice. The original decision to have the grandfathering apply for only the September 2017 intake has now been changed to apply to every year of entry until the Master List is exhausted. The previous direction requiring such families to re-apply every year using the new online system has now been reversed. **You will not have to re-apply using the online system.**

Students who have siblings already in the **same program** have priority. If you are applying for a child who has a sibling in the same program, you will need the sibling's PEN (Personal Education Number). This may be on your child's report card, or can be obtained from the sibling's school.

When the two-week window is closed, no further applications will be accepted. Under the new grandfathering process, applicants will be offered seats in the following order:

- a) Langley students on the District Master List who have a sibling in the same program
- b) Langley students who have applied using the new online registration process who have siblings in the same program
- c) Langley students on the District Master List in order of their original application date
- d) Remaining seats, if any, will be offered to Langley students who have applied using the new online registration process (these will be determined by a random draw).

If the number of applicants exceeds the number of available seats, the District will use a random draw process to assign either a seat or a waitlist number. If your child is successful, you will receive an email asking you to confirm acceptance online within 7 days. If unsuccessful, you will receive an email advising you of your child's placement on the waitlist.

If you have further questions, please contact Office Services 604-534-7891.