

## Bright Water Admissions Policy

As a public charter school, Bright Water admits students in accordance with all relevant rules, regulations, and statutes, including MN 124E.11.

**Open Enrollment:** Bright Water admits students to its tuition free K-6 program annually. The Open Enrollment period each year is from November 1-December 15 for admission the following year. During the Open Enrollment period, children for whom a guardian submits a complete enrollment application will be admitted to the school, unless there are more enrollment applications than available seats for a specific grade level. Students enrolled in the school's fee-based preschool program do not receive enrollment preference for kindergarten and must submit an enrollment application as any other student would.

**Lottery:** If, after the Open Enrollment period ends, there are more enrollment applications than available seats for a specific grade, students will be admitted by lot, with preference given to siblings of enrolled students, foster children of parents of enrolled children, and children of school employees. Any students who are not enrolled will be placed by lot on a Wait List. If seats become available, they will be offered to families on the Wait List in the order they appear on the list.

**First-Come First-Served:** If, after the Open Enrollment period ends, there are still seats available, then those seats will be filled on a first-come first-served basis for children whose guardians submit completed applications in the order those applications are received. Once all seats for a grade level are filled, any children whose guardian submits a complete application will be added to the Wait List in the order in which their application is received.

**Non-Discrimination:** Bright Water does not discriminate in its admissions on the basis of intellectual ability, measures of achievement or aptitude, or athletic ability as required by statute.

Bright Water offers a fee-based preschool program for three- and four-year-olds, as well as a Toddler program for children ages 16-months through three-years.