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FAQ's for Prospective Students

When can I apply?

Applications are accepted online from November 1 to January 31 for the following academic year.

When is the lottery?

The **General Public Lottery** will be held on **Saturday, February 25, 2017, starting at 9:00 a.m.** in the Upper School Seminar Room.

The **Sibling Lottery** is for families who already have one child attending PLP and wish to send siblings. The Sibling Lottery will be held **Tuesday, February 14, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Upper School Seminar Room.

Will my chances improve if I attend the lottery?

No. Prospective families are welcome to attend the lottery; however your presence is not required.

When are applications accepted?

Applications are accepted on the website www.pinelakeprep.org from November 1 to January 31 prior to the next school year.

Where is the lottery held?

The lottery is held on the PLP campus in the Upper School Seminar room.

How long will the lottery take?

The General Lottery starts at 9:00 a.m. We use a computer program to generate numbers. The lottery for all grades will be finished by 9:30 a.m.

Our address/phone number/email has changed since we applied, how can I update our information?

Email Registrar@pinelakeprep.org or Jamie.connotillo@pinelakeprep.org with the changes.

Will there be an open house?

Open house for prospective families will be held in the spring after the lottery. At this time, families will know the odds of getting an offer since they will know their wait list number.

We will host two K-5 tours before the lottery. K-5 tours will be at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 30, 2016 and 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2017.

We applied last year but were not accepted, does applying multiple years give us an advantage?

No, per state law you must apply every year for the appropriate grade.

I have two children; if one gets an offer does the other child get in as well?

No, each grade has a wait list. When a seat becomes available, an offer is made in the order of wait list numbers in that grade.

My child is currently a student at Pine Lake Preparatory. Does this mean their sibling will have a place at PLP next year?

No. Siblings must submit a sibling application and the Sibling Lottery determines the order in which offers will be extended to siblings based on space available in each grade. To apply to the Sibling Lottery, visit www.pinelakeprep.org between November 1 and January 31. Be sure you use the sibling application and not the general application.

My child has been offered a space at Pine Lake Preparatory. Does this mean their sibling will have a place at PLP this year also?

No. Siblings will maintain their wait list number for the academic year. The **following** year siblings must submit a sibling application. The sibling lottery determines the order in which offers will be extended to the siblings based on space available.

After the lottery, how do I find out my child's number?

Pine Lake will mail letters to the applicants with their wait list number or an offer of enrollment within a week of the lottery. When you apply, create a personal ID code and this code will be published on a PDF posted on our website with wait list numbers on the Monday after the lottery.

Who is a sibling?

Foster children are not considered siblings for the purposes of enrollment preference. To qualify for preference, there must be a legal relationship with the sibling (i.e. adoption). With blended families, the same question of sibling status arises, and the determination is a bit more difficult. Marriage and/or adoption would clearly grant sibling status; however, the school must also consider biological ties through step or half siblings. Conversely, if an individual with children has a live-in partner with children from another relationship, those would not count as siblings because they do not share a biological parent.

Is there a website where I can read more about NC Charter school law regarding enrollment?

http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/EnactedLegislation/Statutes/PDF/ByArticle/Chapter_115c/Article_14A.pdf

Do I need to re-apply for my currently enrolled children?

You do not need to re-apply; however, we will have re-enrollment in January. This is a simple form where you state whether or not your child will be returning.

Currently enrolled families should notify Jamie Connotillo at Jamie.connotillo@pinelakeprep.org or Registrar@pinelakeprep.org as soon as the family decides to withdraw or move out of the PLP community. Wait listed families (especially siblings) are eager to receive an offer to attend. Please release your spot as soon as you know you are moving!

How old does my child have to be to enroll in Kindergarten?

The child must turn 5 years old on or before August 31, 2017.