



GOALS ♥ ACADEMY
TK-6th Grade, Free, Public Charter School
Recruitment/Enrollment Process
A School Families Love!



GOALS Academy extends a warm welcome to the diverse families of Anaheim and neighboring areas by honoring and respecting their many cultures, ethnicities, religions, and races. The charter school seeks to serve a diverse population of scholars in Grades TK-6 that is reflective of the general population within the territorial jurisdiction of the Anaheim City School District. Admission to GOALS Academy shall be open to any resident of California that is of legal age to attend a public elementary school (i.e., old enough to enroll in transitional kindergarten or kindergarten). GOALS Academy has no academic or residential requirement for admission and will admit any elementary-aged child that wishes to attend depending upon space availability.

The following grade levels will be in place for the third year of operation. It is anticipated that 30-32 scholars will be enrolled in each of these eight classes. For a reduced scholar to adult ratio, each class will be staffed by a credentialed teacher and an instructional assistant. Volunteer support will also be cultivated in each classroom.

TK/K – Maximum of 32

1 – Maximum of 32

2 – Maximum of 64 (due to double enrollment in Grade 1 in 2016-2017)

3 – Maximum of 32

4 – Maximum of 32

5 – Maximum of 32

6 – Maximum of 32

The timeline for recruitment and enrollment will be as follows. This is shared with the intent to make the process transparent and comprehensible. It is important to note that any scholars who were on our waiting list for the 2016-2017 school year will be the first to be accepted into GOALS Academy for the 2017-2018 school year based upon their ordinal placement on the list.

Time Span	Activity	Outcome
January 1-March 31, 2017	This timespan will constitute the first wave of recruitment activity. Through articles in the local papers, flyers, banners, social media, and events, parents/guardians will become informed about recruitment for GOALS Academy for the 2017-2018 school year. Interest Forms will be distributed and collected throughout this time period.	On Friday, March 31, the first wave of applicants will be accepted into the GOALS Academy based upon the Interest Forms. If there are more applicants than openings per grade level, a public drawing will be held for each of the impacted grade levels. In addition to filling each grade level to its maximum capacity

		<p>(30-32), a waiting list will be established based upon the order of drawn names per impacted grade level. Parents/guardians that do not complete the formal registration packet by the end of April will forfeit their child's spot to the next person on the waiting list.</p>
<p>April 1-June 30, 2017</p>	<p>This timespan will constitute the second wave of recruitment activity if the school is not filled to capacity. The various outreach strategies will remain the same. Interest Forms will be collected throughout this time period.</p>	<p>On Friday, June 30, the second wave of applicants will be accepted into the GOALS Academy based upon the Interest Forms. If there are more applicants than openings per grade level, a public drawing will be held for each of the impacted grade levels. In addition to filling each grade level to its maximum capacity (30-32), a waiting list will be established based upon the order of drawn names per impacted grade level. This waiting list will be an addendum to any previously established waiting list. Parents/guardians that do not complete the registration packet by July 15 will forfeit their child's spot to the next person on the waiting list.</p>

July 1 through the Remainder of the School Year	Beginning July 1, 2017, scholars will be invited to attend the school based on space availability and the waiting list. Once the waiting list has been exhausted based upon the random selection process, then any openings will be filled on a first come/first serve basis.	As is true for any public school, scholars can be accepted into GOALS Academy throughout the school year, with a maximum enrollment of approximately 240 scholars for the 2017-2018 school year.
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As permitted by state and federal regulations, the following exemptions will be made to the admission and lottery process:

- Scholars who were enrolled in the school the previous year (2016-2017) will automatically be able to continue their participation in the GOALS Academy. Additionally, siblings of scholars who plan to continue their enrollment in GOALS Academy will be accepted as long as there is sufficient space.
- For a sibling who is not currently enrolled in GOALS Academy during the 2016-2017 school year, but is accepted into the GOALS Academy for the 2017-2018 school year, the sibling(s) of the scholar (including foster siblings) will also be accepted into the GOALS Academy. The rationale for this exemption is to permit families to be fully involved in one school. For the random selection process, names will be drawn in the order of transitional kindergarten through 6th grade. Therefore, if a younger sibling is accepted into the school, the older sibling(s) will also be accepted. However, if an older sibling is accepted into the school through the drawing, then the younger sibling cannot be accepted if there is no longer space for that grade level.
- If a staff member of GOALS or the GOALS Academy wants his/her child to attend the GOALS Academy, s/he will be accepted into the school. This is permitted as long as the total number of scholars allowed under this exemption constitutes only a small percentage of the school's total enrollment.
- If a random selection process is needed for any grade levels due to the number of applicants, children residing within the boundaries of the Anaheim City School District will have their names placed in the drawing twice to increase their odds of being drawn. This is in recognition that the Anaheim City School District is the entity that approved the charter for the GOALS Academy.