Admission Policies and Procedures

Odyssey Charter School Elementary Campus is open to all Kindergarten through 5th grade students in Brevard County. Odyssey accepts students on a first come, first served basis, unless the number of applications exceeds the number of seats available in any class.

Student applications for the upcoming school year are accepted beginning January 1st and allows students from any school district in the state, providing the student is not subject to a current expulsion or suspension order, to seek enrollment if the school has not reached capacity. A student from another district seeking enrollment under the controlled open enrollment process may not displace students enrolled at the school who reside in the school district. Therefore, if the number of in-county applications exceeds the number of seats available for any grade level at the school, applications for students from outside the county will be placed on a waiting list for that grade level and will be enrolled after all in-county applicants have been offered any open seat. A student from outside the county whose application is accepted may remain at the school until the student completes the highest-grade level offered by the school. After priority admission, if the number of applicants remaining is less than the number of seats available for any grade level, all applicants are admitted. If the number of applicants exceeds the number of seats available, the remaining applicants are placed in a lottery per grade level, and students are admitted as they are drawn from the lottery until each class is filled. A lottery is conducted on February 15th.

The remaining applicants that were not admitted through the lottery process are placed on a waiting list in the order drawn from the lottery. Students who apply after the deadline will be placed on the waiting list after the lottery applicants on a first come, first served basis.

Parents are notified in writing during the month of March of their acceptance and must attend a school orientation. Parents whose child has been accepted must register their child(ren) during registration week in the summer.

Application Process

◆ Applications may be submitted to the front office. Upon submission, all applications will be screened for completeness.
◆ If a parent is submitting an application for more than one child, an application must be completed for each child.
◆ Applications are accepted between January 1st and the deadline of February 15th to be placed in the lottery.
◆ Applications for admission postmarked or received after February 15th will be assigned a number and added to the waiting list for the appropriate grade level.
◆ Students not selected for admission may reapply starting in January for the following school year.
◆ If any information on the application is false or not openly disclosed, it may be grounds for immediate withdrawal.
◆ Kindergarten parents must provide proof of child’s age during application process. The child must be 5 years of age by September 1, 2019 to attend Kindergarten.

Parent Contact Information

If parent/guardian contact information changes on the application, please notify us immediately. If the parent/guardian cannot be reached, the student application will be withdrawn from the waiting list.

Enrollment Preference

Florida Statute provides that the School may give enrollment preference to certain student populations. Students will be offered admission without going through the lottery process provided their applications are received by February 15th and space is available for the appropriate grade level. If there is no space available, students receiving enrollment preference will receive priority placement on the waitlist. Students who may receive enrollment preference include students who:

◆ are siblings of a student enrolled in the school;
◆ are children of a member of the Governing Board;
◆ are children of an employee of the school;
◆ have successfully completed a VPK Program provided by the school or the school’s Governing Board during the previous year;
◆ are the children of an active duty member of any branch of the United States Armed Forces.

Lottery Process

◆ A lottery will be held on February 15th to fill those vacancies that remain after enrollment preference is given.
◆ Parents will be notified in writing of their child’s acceptance no later than 21 days after the acceptance period deadline and have 15 days to notify the school in writing of their decision to attend.

Waiting List

◆ A waiting list will be maintained for each grade level if applications exceed available space.
◆ Parents will be notified in writing if their student has been placed on the waiting list.
◆ All vacancies for the current school year will be filled from the waiting list.
◆ The waiting list does not carry forward to the next school year.
ELEMENTARY CAMPUS
NEW STUDENT APPLICATION
FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Grade your student is assigned to in the 2019-2020 School Year _______

Student Name
(as it appears on birth certificate) Last Name ________________________
First Name ________________________ MI ________________________
Former Name (if applicable) ________________________

Student Home Address ____________________________________________
Street __________________________________ City ________________________
State ___________ Zip Code ___________

Parent/Guardian Name ____________________________________________
Last Name ________________________ First Name ________________________
MI ________________________ Phone # ________________________ Cell ________________________

Parent/Guardian Employment ________________________________________
Last Name ________________________ First Name ________________________
MI ________________________ Phone # ________________________ Email ________________________

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Last Name ________________________ First Name ________________________
MI ________________________ Phone # ________________________ Cell ________________________

Parent/Guardian Employment ________________________________________

Student Information
Date of Birth ________________________ Age ________ Male or Female (circle one)
Race (circle one) Asian American Indian Hispanic Caucasian African American Multiracial
Student’s primary language ________________________ Primary language in home ________________________
Current School Attending ________________________ County ________________________

Is your child currently suspended or expelled from another educational facility? Yes or No (circle one)

Has your child successfully completed a VPK Program provided by an OCS, Inc. governed school during the previous year? Yes or No (circle one)

Name of school that your child attended a VPK Program ________________________

Is your student the child of an active duty member of any branch of the United States Armed Forces? Yes or No (circle one)

Does your child have a sibling currently attending Odyssey? Yes or No (circle one)
Name ________________________ Grade ________________________

List all siblings and their grades entering in the 2019-20 School Year that are currently applying for admission to Odyssey Elementary and/or Jr./Sr. High:

**A separate application must be completed for each sibling applying for admission**

Name ________________________ Grade ________________________ Name ________________________ Grade ________________________

Name ________________________ Grade ________________________ Name ________________________ Grade ________________________

How did you hear about us? (Circle all that apply)
Post Card ________ Radio Ad ________ Social Media ________ Word of Mouth ________ Friend ________ Drive by ________ Other ________

Other Student Information - Please circle a Yes or No response to the following:

Will your child be walking to school? Yes or No
Do you live within 0-2 miles from Odyssey Charter School? Yes or No

Will your child be arriving by car? Yes or No
Do you live within 2-4 miles from Odyssey Charter School? Yes or No

Are you interested in bus transportation? Yes or No
Do you live over 4 miles from Odyssey Charter School? Yes or No

Will your child need the Before/Aftercare Program? Yes or No
Are you interested in GATEway (Gifted/Talented) Information? Yes or No

All information requested is confidential and will be used by the school for informational registration purposes only. By signing this application, the parent or guardian certifies that all information is true and correct. **If any information on this application is false or not openly disclosed, it may be grounds for immediate withdrawal.** Should additional testing for student placement be necessary, permission is given to conduct such testing. If student is admitted, permission is given to have all student records transferred from other schools. Submission of a student application does not guarantee admission to the school.

I understand that I will be required to attend a School Orientation event scheduled in the Spring as well as Registration in July, and that I am required to provide a copy of my child's birth certificate, immunization records, physical exam and proof of promotion at the time of registration.

Parent/Guardian Signature ________________________ Date ________________________
Office Use Only
Date Received In Office: ________________________
Time: ________________
Initials: ________________________

Please return completed application to:
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