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1.0 Purpose

Wasatch Charter School is a public charter school that does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, gender, national origin, or religion. Wasatch Charter School admissions and transfer policies comply with the Utah Code [53A-1a-506.5](#).

2.0 Definition

Wasatch Charter School serves students Kindergarten through 8th grade, with approximately 30 students per class with the exception of Kindergarten which will be limited to approximately 20 students per class. In filling the school with students, the mission is considered at every applicable instance.

3.0 Policy Content

Wasatch Charter School fills its student enrollment based on the following priority:

1. **Open Enrollment**

Once a student has been admitted to the school through the process mentioned below, he or she may remain in attendance through subsequent grades. A new applicant for admission to

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the charter school, however, would be subject to the lottery if, as of the open enrollment closing date, the total number of applicants exceeds the number of spaces available at the school. Open Enrollment dates will be publicly announced and will adhere to Utah State Statute.

2. Lottery Selection

A lottery is a random, unbiased selection process by which Wasatch Charter School admits applicants. The School will use a lottery if, during the open enrollment period, more students apply for admission to the charter school (in any grade) than can be admitted. The random selection of students will begin with 8th grade, proceeding down through Kindergarten, with each student assigned a number identifying the order in which he or she are drawn and preference being given to the siblings of students already enrolled / accepted. Following the lottery, preferential enrollment is given where applicable, but will not exceed 5% of total enrollment (children and grandchildren of Founding Members , Board Members, and employees). Afterwards classes are filled to capacity using the sequence obtained from the lottery drawing.

- 3. When a student is admitted to the school through the lottery process, all siblings of that student are admitted immediately, if space is available. Siblings shall be defined as each of two or more individuals having one or both parents or legal guardians in common, whether through birth, marriage, adoption, or operation of law. If space is not available for a particular grade, that sibling will be placed on the waiting list. Students not selected will remain on a waiting list, preserving the order as determined by the lottery, giving preference to siblings of attending students. Students placed on the waiting list will be given the opportunity to attend the school if openings become available during the school year. Families will be notified and parents will be given an acceptable amount of time to accept or reject the enrollment offer.

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4.0 Relevant Procedures, Guidelines & Restrictions

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