Enrollment Policy

Voyage Academy is a public charter school that does not discriminate on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, gender, national origin, or religion. Voyage Academy admissions and transfer policies comply with the Utah Code 53A-1a506.5.

Voyage serves students Kindergarten through 6th grade, with approximately 25 students per class with the exception of Kindergarten which will be limited to approximately 18 students per class. In filling the school with students, the mission of Voyage Academy is considered at every applicable instance.

"The mission of Voyage Academy is that through Expeditionary Learning, children will explore Life Skills and gain personal responsibility. As they strive for excellence in the molding of their future, they will become honest, compassionate and respectful seekers of learning."

Voyage Academy 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 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 Voyage Academy admits applicants. Voyage Academy 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 6th grade, proceeding down through Kindergarten, with each student assigned a number identifying the order in which they are drawn. Following the lottery, preferential enrollment is given where applicable (Founding Members (Year 1 only), and siblings of students). Afterwards classes are filled to capacity using the sequence obtained from the lottery drawing.

   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 currently on the waitlist will be retained from year to year until enrolled or they decline their enrollment position. 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.