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## SF Families Receive School Assignment Offers

**March 19, 2012 (San Francisco)** – SFUSD has mailed 13,919 families school assignment offers for the upcoming school year.

Overall, 80 percent of applicants (11,139) received one of their choices. Eighty-four percent of kindergarten applicants received one of the schools they chose; 56 percent received their first choice school.

Students applying for 6<sup>th</sup> grade or 9<sup>th</sup> grade were more likely to receive their first choice school, with 70 percent of 6<sup>th</sup> grade applicants and 73 percent of 9<sup>th</sup> grade applicants getting into their top choice and 85 percent getting into one of the schools they chose.

After families receive this initial offer, they have the opportunity to participate in any of the other placement periods to receive a higher choice school throughout the enrollment cycle.

The district recommends that families register to secure enrollment at the school site they were offered by April 13. Even after accepting a placement offer, families can still choose to seek a higher choice school during the May placement period. If families don't register by April 13, their placement will be cancelled and the seat will be made available to other students.

More information on [www.sfusd.edu](http://www.sfusd.edu)

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### Highlights March 16, 2012 Assignment Run

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#### APPLICATIONS

- 4,799 **kindergarten** applications compared to 4,931 last year.  
This year the State's eligibility age for Kindergarten moved back a month from a December 1 cut off to a November 1 cut off, impacting an estimated 400 applicants and resulting in fewer applicants who were eligible to begin traditional Kindergarten. Factoring in this change, the upward trend of applicants for Kindergarten has continued.
- 3,252 **6th grade** applications compared to 3,131 last year.  
This shows a slight increase of 121 applications for 6<sup>th</sup> grade.
- 4,188 **9th grade** applications compared to 4,603 last year.  
This is consistent with the predicted decrease in high school enrollment.

**K-12 Overall 13,919 applications received compared to 14,347 last year.**

**CHOICE**

Overall (K-12), **80%** of applicants (11,139) **received one of their choices**, compared to 78% last year (11,233)

- 84% of kindergarten applicants (4,051) compared to 81% last year (4,000)
- 85% of 6<sup>th</sup> grade applicants (2,774) compared to 86% last year (2,708)
- 86% of 9<sup>th</sup> grade applicants (3,601) compared to 86% last year (3,622)

Overall (K-12), **60%** of applicants (8,395) **received their first choice**, compared to 58% last year (8,290)

- 56% of kindergarten applicants (2,668) compared to 57% last year (2,816)
- 70% of 6<sup>th</sup> grade applicants (2,269) compared to 72% last year (2,254)
- 73% of 9<sup>th</sup> grade applicants (3040) compared to 63% last year (2,684)

Overall (K-12), **20%** of applicants (2,780) **did not receive one of their choices**, compared to 22% last year (3,114)

- 16% of kindergarten applicants (748) compared to 19% last year (931)
- 15% of 6<sup>th</sup> grade applicants (478) compared to 14% last year (423)
- 14% of 9<sup>th</sup> grade applicants (587) compared to 14% last year (587)

**DEMAND**

The demand for seats far exceeds the capacity at some of our schools. Examples of how this demand impacts assignments are illustrated in the tables below.

**Most Requested: 9<sup>th</sup> Grade**

SCHOOL	Grade	Program	Capacity	# of Siblings	Openings for Non-Siblings	Total Requests	# Applicants per Seat
LINCOLN HS	09	GE	470	63	407	2744	7
WASHINGTON HS	09	GE	500	72	428	2452	6
BALBOA HS	09	GE	300	45	255	1734	7
LOWELL HS	09	GE	665	N/A	N/A	1713	3
GALILEO HS	09	GE	460	54	406	1645	4

**DEMAND****Most Requested: 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

SCHOOL	Grade	Program	Capacity	# of Siblings	Openings for Non-Siblings	Total Requests	# Applicants per Seat
GIANNINI	06	GE	380	62	318	1189	4
PRESIDIO	06	GE	352	44	308	1162	4
APTOS	06	GE	368	39	329	1115	3
HOOVER	06	GE	259	26	233	1006	4
ROOSEVELT	06	GE	240	19	221	826	4

**Most Requested: Kindergarten**

<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Program</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b># of Siblings</b>	<b>Openings for Non-Siblings</b>	<b>Total Requests</b>	<b># Applicants per Seat</b>
CLARENDON	K	GE	44	22	22	1202	55
ROOFTOP	K	GE	66	30	36	1105	31
WEST PORTAL	K	GE	66	22	44	943	21
LAWTON	K	GE	66	23	43	864	20
GRATTAN	K	GE	66	30	36	804	22
LILIENTHAL	K	GE	66	35	31	773	25
ALICE FONG YU	K	CN	66	27	39	728	19
SUNSET	K	GE	66	20	46	666	14
MIRALOMA	K	GE	60	18	42	661	16
JEFFERSON	K	GE	88	27	61	614	10
FEINSTEIN	K	GE	88	33	55	610	11
SHERMAN	K	GE	66	15	51	581	11
CLARENDON	K	JBBP	44	29	15	564	37
ALAMO	K	GE	88	29	59	558	9
ARGONNE	K	GE	66	16	50	542	11

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