middle school feeders

- Public School Enrollment Fair
- November 3, 2012
Every K5 school in the district is matched with a single middle school, known as their middle school feeder.

The middle school feeder is based on where the student attends elementary school, not where they live.
Why middle school feeders?

✓ ease transition into middle school
✓ degree of predictability
✓ minimize effort to enroll
✓ improve service
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Elementary to Middle School

✓ Is still a choice process. You must apply for placement into a middle school.
✓ From 2012-16 there is no initial assignment.
✓ Better opportunity to receive an assignment to the feeder if you list it as one of your choices.
If **YOU** are applying now to **Kindergarten**

- **Important:** be aware of the middle school feeder
  
- **2017:** initial offer to 6th grade based on the elementary school they attend

- **After initial assignment:** opportunity to participate in an optional choice process for other schools
If your **CHILD** is now in **5th grade**

✓ A **pre-printed enrollment application** will be mailed to your home

✓ You **must submit** an enrollment application by **January 22** to have the best opportunity for an assignment of choice
What do parents need to do?
Discover Middle Schools

- Take a tour of middle schools
- Visit middle schools and talk to staff
- Attend a Discovery Workshop or come to the Educational Placement Center to learn more about the application process
- View school descriptions on the website or in the Enrollment Guide
Apply to Middle Schools

- Turn in the enrollment application by January 22
- Be sure that your address on record is correct.
- List as many school choices as you wish in the order of preference
Satellite Collection Sites

- **Carver Elementary School**
  Permanent Bayview Collection Site. 8:30am – 2:40 pm

- **West Portal Elementary School**
  Wednesday, January 16, 2013, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

- **Frank McCoppin Elementary School**
  Thursday, January 17, 2013, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

*If you are new to SFUSD, be sure to bring all the appropriate documents with you.*
Look for the Mobile Enrollment Center

✓ Come **talk** to a counselor or **turn in** your enrollment application at these mobile locations

**November**  
City College of San Francisco  
Instituto Familiar de la Raza  
Centro Del Pueblo

**December**  
Centro Del Pueblo  
City College of San Francisco

**January**  
Vis Valley Boys and Girls Club Clubhouse  
Treasure Island Boys and Girls Club

Get a flyer with dates and times
The Assignment Process

✓ Students will be able to request their feeder school and/or any other middle school

✓ Students will be assigned to their highest ranked request as long as there is space at the school
If there is more demand than seats available, the process will use the following tie-breakers to fill openings:

1. Younger siblings
2. Students enrolled in an elementary school that feeds into the middle school
3. Students who live in areas of the city with the lowest average test scores
4. All other students
Placement Offers

✓ School assignments **mailed out** on March 15, 2013

✓ Students who **do not receive** any of their choices will be assigned to their middle school feeder if there are openings

✓ If there are no openings in the middle school feeder, then assignment will be offered to the **closest school** with openings
Enroll

✓ After receiving an assignment, you **must go** to the school from March 18-22 and April 1-12 to secure your placement

✓ It is **recommended** that you enroll into the school, even if the offer is not to one of your choices, or your highest choice
Transportation

✓ Uncertainty with budget will make it challenging to determine middle school transportation for 2013-14 by November 3rd

✓ Consideration of historical feeder patterns, distance and residential patterns of current 5th graders
Other

Placement Periods

✓ You may **choose** to participate in other placement periods in May and August to receive a higher choice school

✓ You are strongly **encouraged** to enroll at the school of assignment

✓ Whether or not you enroll at the assigned school in March **will not** have an **impact** on participating in subsequent placement periods
Placement
You should know

✓ You may participate in the **May** and **August** placement periods by submitting a choice form to the EPC for each round

✓ Keep an assignment until you get a **higher choice**

✓ The August Placement Period is a **waiting pool** period and you may request **one school**

✓ August assignments are **final**
Visit our website www.sfusd.edu/enroll

✔ Select features:
  • Search for schools based on your own criteria
  • Input your address to find your attendance area school
  • Fill out and print an enrollment application

✔ Get school summaries about all our schools

✔ Learn about district policies and processes
How to get involved

✓ Sign up to get involved in building elementary to middle school connections
✓ Attend informational or board meetings on the Quality Middle Schools Initiative
questions

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