

OPAL SCHOOL

of the Portland Children's Museum



K-5 Lottery Enrollment Form School Year 2008-2009

HOW THE LOTTERY PROCESS WORKS

Opal Charter School is a K-5 public elementary school.

Pre-registration Period

Children who attended Opal during the 2007-2008 school year and siblings who meet the age requirements pre-register in March 2008 if they intend to return in the fall.

Lottery Process

The 2008-2009 lottery season opens March 1, 2008 and closes March 31, 2008. Each family who enrolls a child or children in the lottery will be assigned a number. Then, a computer program generates all the numbers on a list in random order. This process will take place in April after all the data has been entered from the lottery enrollment forms.

Starting from the top of the randomized list of family numbers, children will be placed in one of six lists according to their grades: Kindergarten through fifth grade. The process will continue until all class lists are full. The remaining families are placed on a "wait list" in the order their number was selected by the lottery.

Orientation Meetings and Classroom Visitations

Once children are selected through the lottery process, families will be notified and invited to attend an orientation meeting and to visit the classrooms. They are given ample opportunity to see if Opal is a school that parents would like their child to attend. If some parents choose not to register their children after the orientation meeting or should a space open, we start at the top of the lottery "wait list" to select new names. This process continues until all spaces are filled for the 2008-2009 school year. We do not accept new applications for the 2008-2009 lottery during the school year unless there are no names on the waitlist for a specific grade. Names from this or previous lotteries are not carried over from year to year. Families who enrolled in the '08-'09 lottery must re-enroll in the '09-'10 lottery if they wish to try again.

Notification for Families not Selected by Lottery

Once the registration process is complete, the families who were not selected by the lottery process will receive a letter informing them of the lottery results. Our goal is to complete the entire process by mid-May.

What Next?

If you are interested in entering the 2008-2009 Opal Charter School lottery, please fill out the following form completely and accurately. Applications must be received by 5:00pm Friday, March 31, 2008. *One application per family.*

RECORD #	LOTTERY #
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School Attendance Area – Please give the school name and complete address for the Public Elementary School in your neighborhood.

School _____
 Address _____
 School District _____

**OPAL CHARTER SCHOOL OF THE PORTLAND CHILDREN’S MUSEUM
 PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION**

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OPAL CHARTER SCHOOL OF THE PORTLAND CHILDREN'S MUSEUM STUDENT INFORMATION

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY – PLEASE USE ONE APPLICATION PER FAMILY

CHILD 1.

Child's Last Name

First Name

Middle Initial

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Child's Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)

F M

Gender

Program (mark 1)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kindergarten <small>(Must be 5 by 9/1/08)</small>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 3
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 4
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 5

Extended Day –
Afternoon Program
(Kindergarten only)

YES NO

CHILD 2.

Child's Last Name

First Name

Middle Initial

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Child's Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)

F M

Gender

Program (mark 1)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kindergarten <small>(Must be 5 by 9/1/08)</small>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 1
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 2
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 3
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 4
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grade 5

Extended Day –
Afternoon Program
(Kindergarten only)

YES NO

CHILD 3.

Child's Last Name

First Name

Middle Initial

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Child's Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year)

F M

Gender

Program (mark 1)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Kindergarten <small>(Must be 5 by 9/1/08)</small>
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Extended Day –
Afternoon Program
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YES NO

***SEE REVERSE PAGE FOR A DESCRIPTION OF SCHEDULE AND FEES**

Date	Action (for administrative use only)

