



## Upcoming Magnet School Lottery– Friday, February 24, 2017

For parents that applied during our recent application period of November 1 to January 31, a lottery or random drawing will take place on Friday, February 24 beginning at 9:00 a.m. It will be in the Board Room of the Hamilton County Department of Education. The event can be seen either through <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XseOOthVBS4> or: <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/magnet-school-lottery>

**Applicants to Center for Creative Arts are not part of the lottery process. They are offered placement by the school based strictly on the results of the required audition.**

The purpose of the lottery drawing is to place each applicant on a numeric list per school, per grade. Each applicant should have received a confirmation number when they applied. The last six digits of this number will be used. Each ticket will be drawn and placed in numeric order as they are pulled. If you have misplaced your number, please see the Confirmation Nos for Parent Inquiry.

Please note:

- Each magnet principal determines how many magnet seats that they are able to offer at each grade level.
- Certain preferences are given for siblings and children of staff members. In addition, parents that apply for their children to attend either Battle Academy or Brown Academy who work downtown and have submitted the required documentation are also given preference.
- There are occasions where it will not be necessary to draw applicants by their 2<sup>nd</sup> magnet school choice if there were an overwhelming amount of applicants that selected that same school as their 1<sup>st</sup> magnet school choice.
- As magnet schools open up space, the numeric list will be used to offer placement by official written notification.
- We will draw the tickets by school and by grade going alphabetically – starting with Barger Academy and ending with Tyner Middle Academy.

Once the lottery drawing is completed, the numbers will be verified and posted to our website as soon as possible. Any confirmation number that is highlighted will be receiving a written offer of placement in the mail. This list should help parents realistically see if there is a possibility of placement for the 2017-2018 school year. For example, if a magnet principal is offering 10 seats at a particular grade and your ticket is drawn No. 110, the parent can reasonably conclude that placement will not be offered. However, if your ticket is No. 13, there is a possibility of a later offer.

Our intent is to make this clear and we hope that this information is helpful. If you have any further questions, please contact our office via email at [magnet\\_school@hcde.org](mailto:magnet_school@hcde.org)