

Magnet Notification FAQs

- Q:** My letter says that my child was not selected and that denials are final. However, it also says that my child will remain on an “interest list” for the school. Does this mean my child is on the waiting list?
- A:** *No, unfortunately it does not. All applicants were put into one of three categories: Admitted, Waitlisted, or Denied. Students who are denied are put on an interest list just in case the school has an excessive number of admitted and waitlisted students who change their minds about attending. In reality, we do not expect that this will happen and the parents of students on the interest list should make plans to attend another school in the 2019-2020 school year.*
- Q:** I’ve never heard of students being denied. In past years, weren’t all students placed on a waiting list for a spot if they didn’t get in?
- A:** *This year, we made the decision to be exceedingly transparent with our families and notify parents now if their child had no realistic chance of ever being offered admission due to their very high number draw in the lottery. While we understand this is a very painful time for our families who were not selected in the lottery, we hope that they can process the news, move forward and select a different school in VUSD for their child for next year.*
- Q:** I have two children who applied to the same school. One of my children ended up on the waiting list and the other was denied admission. What happens if my child on the waiting list is admitted in the future?
- A:** *In that case, the brother or sister of the admitted student will gain priority status and their application status will change from denied to waitlisted with priority.*
- Q:** My letter says that my child is on the waiting list in spot number 22. What are her chances of being admitted?
- A:** *While we can make reasonable estimates of how many spots may open up at a particular grade level, **we cannot guarantee anything.** If you are on the waiting list, the best thing to do is determine a plan for your child if she is not eventually selected from the waiting list.*
- Q:** My letter says that my child is on the waiting list, but no spot number is listed. What are his chances of being admitted?
- A:** *Only students on the waiting list in spot numbers 1 – 30 received an indication of their exact spot. What this means is that your child is in a spot that is number 31 or higher. If you would like to know your exact spot on the list, you may call Student Support Services and we will tell you.*
- In some cases, a very high number sounds a lot worse than it actually is. For example, based upon past years, Mission Vista High School is able to take a *significant* number of students on their waiting list for 9th grade. We expect the same will be true this year.
- Q:** My child was admitted. I completed the Magnet Response Form using the confirmation code I received. I’m nervous that it didn’t go through. Can you verify that you received my response?
- A:** *We are committed to ensuring that every student who received an offer is provided with an opportunity to respond. The magnet response form is working extremely well, and we have already received over 700 confirmed acceptances to our offers of admission. If you were able to make a school selection and click “submit” you can rest assured that your response has been recorded. Additionally, the staff in*

Student Support Services will call the parents of applicants who do not respond to an offer beginning on March 11.

Q: My child was admitted, and I tried to complete the Magnet Response Form, but it didn't seem to work right. What should I do?

A: *If you tried to complete the form and it didn't work, call Student Support Services at (760) 726-2170, ext. 92180.*

Q: My child was admitted and I completed the Magnet Response Form, but I think I clicked the wrong selection. What should I do?

A: *We receive daily updates every morning, so please wait until the next school day after 9 a.m. and call Student Support Services at (760) 726-2170, ext. 92180.*