



**GROWCommunity 2018-19 Enrollment Policy  
for Amundsen High School and Lake View High School**

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS  
For GROW 8<sup>th</sup> graders who do not live within the attendance boundary  
of Amundsen and/or Lake View**

**Q: Is the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy the same as living in the Amundsen or Lake View neighborhood attendance boundary?**

**A: NO.** Non-neighborhood students are not entitled to the same admissions policies as neighborhood students even if they attend a GROW elementary school.

To ensure admission to Amundsen or Lake View through the GROW policy, you must apply in GoCPS Round 1 and you must include the Grow Community program in your Choice School programs ranking. If Amundsen or Lake View is your top choice, you should rank it first. If Amundsen or Lake View is not your top choice, you should rank the other program(s) higher. If you get matched to a higher-ranked program, you will get an offer to that program and not to Amundsen or Lake View.

**Q: Do I have to apply through GoCPS?**

**A: YES.** GROW 8<sup>th</sup> graders who do not live within the attendance boundary of Amundsen or Lake View must apply in GoCPS Round 1.

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**Q: Do I have to include Amundsen/Lake View in my GoCPS application ranking?**

**A: YES.** If you are interested in attending Amundsen or Lake View, you have to include the Grow Community program among the Choice School programs you rank in Round 1.

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you get matched to a higher-ranked program, you will get an offer to that program and not to Amundsen or Lake View.

**Q: Does it matter how I rank Amundsen/Lake View in my GoCPS application ranking?**

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- If Amundsen or Lake View *is* your top choice school, you should rank it first.
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- If you apply to both Amundsen and Lake View’s Grow Community program, you will be matched to the school you rank higher unless you get matched to a different program higher on your list.

**Q: What if I’m interested in Amundsen/Lake View, but there are other Choice School(s) I’d pick over them?**

**A:** If Amundsen or Lake View *is not* your top choice school, you should rank the other program(s) higher. If you get matched to a program ranked higher on your list than Amundsen or Lake View, you will get an offer to that program and not to Amundsen or Lake View.

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**Q: What if I want to transfer to Amundsen/Lake View later? Does the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy apply to that?**

**A: NO.** The GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy does not apply to transfers.

**Q: What if I decide after GoCPS Round 1 that I want to attend Amundsen/Lake View?**

**A:** The GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy *does not* ensure admission to Amundsen or Lake View in Round 2 of the GoCPS application process. After Round 1, a determination will be made about whether Amundsen and Lake View will enter Round 2 of the GoCPS application process. Look for additional Round 2 information at that time. HOWEVER, to ensure admission to Amundsen or Lake View through the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy, GROW students *must apply in Round 1*.

**Q: What if I decide after GoCPS Round 2 that I want to attend Amundsen/Lake View?**

**A:** The GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy does not apply. To ensure admission to Amundsen or Lake View through the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy, GROW students *must apply in Round 1*.

**Q: I was matched to Amundsen/Lake View in GoCPS Round 1, but decided to enter GoCPS Round 2 and was matched to one of my selections. Do I still have the spot at Amundsen/Lake View if I change my mind?**

**A: NO.** If a student is matched to Amundsen or Lake View in Round 1, but enters Round 2 and gets matched to a Round 2 selection, the student will lose their spot at Amundsen or Lake View.

**Q: I see two programs listed for Lake View in GoCPS. Which one should I apply to?**

If you are seeking admission to Lake View through the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy, you *must* include “LAKE VIEW HS - STEM Grow Community” among the Choice School programs you rank in Round 1.

Lake View is also listed in the GoCPS application as “LAKE VIEW HS - Early College STEM.” This is the same program as “LAKE VIEW HS - STEM Grow Community.” This program has eligibility requirements to be considered for admission. GROW students do not need to rank “LAKE VIEW HS - Early College STEM.”

**Q: I'm interested in Amundsen's International Baccalaureate program and Game Programming & Web Design program. Does the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy apply?**

**A: NO.** The GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy does not apply to these two Amundsen programs.

If you are a GROW student and want to be considered for these programs and also ensure admission through the GROW policy, you *must* include "AMUNDSEN HS - General Education Grow Community" in your Round 1 ranking as well as "AMUNDSEN HS - International Baccalaureate (IB)" and/or "AMUNDSEN HS - Game Programming & Web Design." Rank the Amundsen International Baccalaureate and/or Game Programming & Web Design programs higher than "AMUNDSEN HS - General Education Grow Community."

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