



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

GROWCommunity (GROW) is working to support a seamless K-12 system of public neighborhood schools in our community anchored around [Amundsen High School](#) and [Lake View High School](#), neighborhood high schools that offer exceptional educational opportunities for students.

Students from any of the [17 GROW elementary schools](#) who apply to Amundsen or Lake View through GoCPS have a guaranteed path to admission, regardless of where they live. The GROW elementary schools are Audubon, Bell, Blaine, Budlong, Burley, Chappell, Coonley, Greeley, Hamilton, Hawthorne, Inter-American, Jahn, Jamieson, McPherson, Nettelhorst, Ravenswood and Waters. **If you are an 8th grader at a GROW elementary school and are interested in attending Amundsen or Lake View in the 2019-20 school year, please be sure to read the complete policy guidelines and instructions provided here before applying.** Admittance through the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy is NOT THE SAME as admittance to your designated neighborhood high school. If you are seeking admission to Amundsen or Lake View through the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy:

- You must apply through GoCPS in Round 1. (The policy does not ensure admission to Amundsen or Lake View in GoCPS Round 2. The policy does not apply to transfers.)
- You must include the Amundsen or Lake View Grow Community program in your Round 1 ranking of Choice School programs.
- You must pay attention to the rank order of the Amundsen or Lake View Grow Community program. Rank order matters, because the GoCPS Round 1 matching process *also applies* to the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy. Please read this full policy for complete ranking and matching information and examples.

****Please be sure to read the complete policy guidelines and instructions on the following pages before applying.****

We are excited that all GROW eighth graders have these two excellent high school options to choose from.

COMPLETE POLICY GUIDELINES AND INSTRUCTIONS

If you are an 8th grader at a GROW elementary school, here's important information about 9th grade admission to Amundsen or Lake View for the 2019-20 school year:

General GoCPS application information:

1. The GoCPS Round 1 application period runs from October 1 through December 14. The application deadline is December 14, 2018.
2. In order to submit a GoCPS application, you will first need to activate a GoCPS account. Visit go.cps.edu/high-school for complete application information from CPS.
3. Amundsen and Lake View are neighborhood high schools. (Not sure what your designated neighborhood high school is? Enter your home address at cps.edu/ScriptLibrary/Map-SchoolLocator/index.html.) You can apply to your neighborhood high school through GoCPS, but you do not have to: If you do not apply to any school, you will be automatically enrolled in your neighborhood school at the end of the GoCPS process.

If Amundsen or Lake View is your designated neighborhood high school:

1. If Amundsen is your designated neighborhood high school, you do not have to apply through GoCPS. You are guaranteed admission to Amundsen by virtue of living within its attendance boundary. (Please note: Neighborhood students are still required to apply for Amundsen's International Baccalaureate and/or Game Programming & Web Design programs.)
2. If Lake View is your designated neighborhood high school, you do not have to apply through GoCPS. You are guaranteed admission to Lake View by virtue of living within its attendance boundary.

If Amundsen or Lake View *is not* your neighborhood high school but you attend one of the GROW elementary schools, you *must* apply for the programs listed in the application which read "AMUNDSEN HS - General Education Grow Community" or "LAKE VIEW HS - STEM Grow Community" through GoCPS and you *must* include Amundsen or Lake View in your Round 1 ranking of Choice School programs if you are seeking admission through the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy. Complete details below.

Important GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy details:

1. AMUNDSEN HS - General Education Grow Community

If you are seeking admission to Amundsen through the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy, you *must* include "AMUNDSEN HS - General Education Grow Community" among the Choice School programs you rank in Round 1. *Further important ranking instructions below*

under GoCPS Round 1 matching information.

IMPORTANT: GROW students are *not* guaranteed admission to Amundsen’s International Baccalaureate or Game Programming & Web Design 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 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.”

LAKE VIEW HS - STEM Grow Community

2.

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. *Further important ranking instructions below under GoCPS Round 1 matching information.*

IMPORTANT: 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.
 - HOWEVER, GROW students *must* rank “LAKE VIEW HS - STEM Grow Community” to ensure admission to Lake View. GROW students do not need to rank “LAKE VIEW HS - Early College STEM.”
3. **IMPORTANT ROUND 2 INFORMATION:** 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.*

GoCPS Round 1 matching information: *Ranking instructions included*

1. Students are only matched to one Choice School program.
2. Students will be matched to the highest-ranked program on their GoCPS application for which they are eligible.

What this means for the GROWCommunity Enrollment Policy:

- If Amundsen or Lake View *is* your top choice school, you should rank it first.
- 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 other program and not to Amundsen or Lake View.
- 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. ☐

Here are some hypothetical examples to help illustrate:

Example 1:

- GROW student ranks Amundsen's Grow Community program #1.
- Student will be matched with Amundsen.

Example 2:

- GROW student ranks Lake View's Grow Community program #1.
- Student will be matched with Lake View.

Example 3:

- GROW student ranks Lake View's Grow Community program #1 and Amundsen's Grow Community program #2.
- Student will be matched with Lake View because it was ranked higher than Amundsen.

Example 4:

- GROW student ranks Amundsen's Grow Community program #1 and Lake View's Grow Community program #2.
- Student will be matched with Amundsen because it was ranked higher than Lake View.

Example 5:

- GROW student is applying to ABC High School, XYZ High School, and Amundsen *-or-* Lake View.
- Student ranks the schools as follows
 1. ABC High School
 2. XYZ High School
 3. Amundsen *-or-* Lake View
- If...
 - ...student is selected for ABC High School, they will be matched with ABC High School.
 - ... student is not selected for ABC High school but is selected for XYZ High School, they will be matched with XYZ High School.
 - ...student is not selected for ABC High School or XYZ High School,

they will be matched with Amundsen -or- Lake View.

3. Once students are matched, they will be notified of their offer via their GoCPS account. If a student declines their Round 1 offer, they can participate in Round 2 of the GoCPS application process.

Please note, however, that 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*.

Visit go.cps.edu for complete GoCPS information.

If you have questions about admission to Amundsen or Lake View, please contact the school:

- At Amundsen, contact Irwin Lim, ilim@cps.edu, 773-534-2320
- At Lake View, contact Erin Kitson, eckitson@cps.edu, 773-534-5547