

**Follow-Up Questions**  
**Board of Education Meeting**  
**March 26, 2019**

The following question was asked at the March 26, 2019 Board of Education meeting:

**Why do magnet programs not automatically accept siblings of students already in the program. Will the District consider such a policy?**

The District has a limited number of openings in magnet schools each year and must offer a fair chance to all to be admitted via the lottery. At the same time, the District does recognize the advantage of siblings attending the school together. To strike a balance that is fair to all, the District offers three chances, rather than one, in each magnet lottery to a child whose brother or sister already attends the program and will continue to do so in the coming year.

An exception is made for twins. Twins receive two chances – one for each – and if either is chosen, both siblings are accepted.