Proposal: Number of Seats Offered

Current: The Board has authorized school staff to offer enrollment seats per the following schedule:

	Seats	Lottery Offers	Mar 5 - July 10	July 11 - Day 1	After Day 1
K	96	120 (+25%)	110 (+15%)	105 (+10%)	96
1st	72	83 (+15%)	83 (+15%)	78 (+10%)	72
2nd	72	83 (+15%)	83 (+15%)	78 (+10%)	72
3rd	72	83 (+15%)	83 (+15%)	78 (+10%)	72
4th	72	83 (+15%)	83 (+15%)	78 (+10%)	72
5th					
6th	75	87 (+15%)	87 (+15%)	82 (+10%)	75
7th					

History: The school extended 269 lottery offers during the 2019-2020 lottery. A snapshot of those students' journey through the enrollment funnel is as follows:

Lottery	Offers
---------	--------

			Accepted, then		
	Total	Declined	Withdrew	Attended Day 1	% of Total
K	169	92	32	45	27%
1st	24	17	6	1	4%
2nd	23	14	5	4	17%
3rd	14	6	3	5	36%
4th	20	11	6	3	15%
6th	19	7	3	9	47%
Total	269	147	55	67	25%

Proposal: Working in conjunction with SchoolSmartKC, the SchoolAppKC data was analyzed across all charters participating in SchoolAppKC; CWC Kansas City's data was in line with all SchoolAppKC data. Additionally, SchoolSmartKC contracted with a national consultant to provide additional data analysis and recommendations, who affirmed that this data is in line with national charter lottery trends.

A key recommendation given to all SchoolAppKC schools was to increase the number of over-offered seats in the lottery. Best practice nationally is to provide families with as much <u>choice</u> as early as possible and minimize the waiting on waitlists. Families that are waitlisted on their preferred school will accept a seat with a lower-desired school, then release that seat in order

to accept a seat at their preferred school. This churn has a ripple effect that can last as long as schools have waitlists. By "over-offering," 1) more choice is extended earlier in the process and the churn is reduced for families in the lottery and 2) a truer picture of open seats is given to families who apply after the lottery.

As shown, only 27% of lottery-offered Kindergarteners enrolled on Day 1 – showing that CWC Kansas City can increase our over-offer percentage quite significantly. Therefore, we propose the following schedule:

	Seats	Lottery Offers	Mar 5 - July 10	July 11 - Day 1	After Day 1
K	96	144 (+50%)	110 (+15%)	104 (+2/class)	96
1st	72	83 (+15%)	83 (+15%)	78 (+2/class)	72
2nd	72	83 (+15%)	83 (+15%)	78 (+2/class)	72
3rd	72	83 (+15%)	83 (+15%)	78 (+2/class)	72
4th	72	83 (+15%)	83 (+15%)	78 (+2/class)	72
5th	72	83 (+15%)	83 (+15%)	78 (+2/class)	72
6th	75	86 (+15%)	86 (+15%)	81 (+2/class)	75
7th	75	86 (+15%)	86 (+15%)	81 (+2/class)	75