## Swan River Montessori Charter School

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## **Mid-Year Student Enrollment**

## **GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

The SRMCS Board of Directors recognizes enrollment openings will occasionally occur during the school year. Based on foundational Montessori theory, SRMCS believes that every student should be provided a "normalization period." A normalization period is a critical window of time allowing each child to seek and discover an appreciation of order, work, concentration, independence, self-discipline, and, ultimately, a profound love for learning. This experience is of utmost importance to a child's development. To not experience the normalization period may greatly hinder the child's ability to integrate him- or herself to the Montessori environment and with his or her peers. It is because of this that post mid-year enrollment must be given significant consideration.

Therefore, openings that occur mid-year should be filled or not filled as follows and/or at the discretion of the School Director:

- 1. No E-2 (4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade) openings will be filled after April 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 2. No E-1 (1st-3rd grade) openings will be filled after April 1st.
- 3. No Children's House (preschool-kindergarten) openings will be filled after April 1st.