

# The Olympia School District Citizen Science Institute (CSI) Program 2021-2022 Enrollment Process

We are pleased that you are interested in the Olympia School District Science-based CSI program at Thurgood Marshall Middle School. Following is the information that you will need to know in order to enroll your student in the lottery process.

## Step 1:

- You are encouraged to attend a virtual parent / student information webinar at 6:00 pm, Thursday, February 25, 2021 via **Zoom (link below)**. If you cannot attend, the webinar will be recorded and available for viewing at a later date.

Join CSI Info Night Zoom Meeting:

<https://osd111.zoom.us/j/86597454844>

Time: Feb 25, 2021 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Meeting ID: 865 9745 4844

## Step 2:

- Families fill out the application via the link below. The application link is also available online under the Academics/Educational Programs tab on the Olympia School District website and on the Thurgood Marshall Middle School website.

[Click here for CSI Application](#)

## APPLICATION DEADLINE:

- All applications must be received by 3:30 PM **Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>** to be considered for the lottery. Applications can be submitted online via email to [cowood@osd.wednet.edu](mailto:cowood@osd.wednet.edu), mailed to Thurgood Marshall Middle School at 3939 20th Ave. SE or dropped off in our front office between 8:00 am - 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Only applications **received** by 3:30 on March 2nd will be considered in the lottery.

## Step 3:

- The lottery will be held on March 19, 2021. Parents will be notified of the lottery results within one week after the lottery. **Please make sure to update your information online in Family Access because that will be the method of notification.**

## Step 4:

- If selected for the CSI program, families must submit the acceptance form no later than 3:30 PM on April 2, 2021. The form will be emailed to all families who are accepted.

## Selection rules and procedures for the lottery and continuation in the program:

1. Students must be entering 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2021.
2. In-district applicants have priority over out-of-district applicants.

3. All students enter the lottery in equal standing. We no longer offer sibling preference, though if a sibling gets in, and you live outside of the TMMS boundary, we will guarantee admission to TMMS for the sibling.
  - Lottery:  
Lottery numbers will be assigned using a random number generator and families will be assigned a unique lottery number. The children of full-time district employees who reside in or outside of the district boundary are eligible for enrollment at the school per RCW 28A.225.225 and are eligible to enter the choice school lottery for CSI. All numbers will be pulled and placed in order until all spots are filled or names are exhausted, whichever comes first.
  - Waiting List:  
If spaces are filled and applicants remain, those students will be placed on a waiting list based on the order that their number was pulled. All families will be notified via email of their spot on the waiting list.
4. Families of students in the top 20 spots will be notified by email within one week of the lottery and invited to formally enroll in the program.
5. Families will have a deadline to accept or decline the invitation to enroll in the program. Those families who decline placement for the 2021-2022 school year will have their names removed from the lottery list but may reapply the following year to enter the lottery again.
6. For following school years, returning students who have successfully completed the current year and have submitted a re-enrollment form will automatically continue in the program.
7. If spots open during the school year, they will be offered to the next person based on the remaining waiting list. Late applicants will be added to the bottom of the waiting list.
8. Each year, a new lottery will be held for the incoming sixth grade class and openings in the seventh and eighth grade program. A new waiting list will be established each year.

**For further information:**

Email [cowood@osd.wednet.edu](mailto:cowood@osd.wednet.edu) or call Condee Wood at 360-596-7600.