



# John L. Ory

Communication Arts Magnet School

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*Joining together to create a love for learning while treating others with respect*

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### Lottery Selection Process

To maintain the 50/50 racial composition of the school, the following procedures will be followed:

1. The list of names of all applicants entered into the lottery is available in the front office on April 4, 2023. Applicants should look for the child's name on the list. School officials should be notified immediately of any discrepancy. Parent is expected to check the application for accuracy and correct any errors. Once the lottery selection begins, no challenges of discrepancy may be voiced.
2. Parent has not successfully applied unless they receive a confirmation number. Parents are advised to print the application as proof of completion and entering the lottery.
3. All student application information has been entered into a database. Each application has been ordered alphabetically by grade level for which the student is applying. Before the lottery selection process, the applications will be cross-checked for correct grade level of application, sibling data and for correct racial information at the time of acceptance.
4. Students will be placed at the bottom of the correct grade level if the grade level indicated on the application is incorrect.
5. Student Selection
  - a. In order to bring about a better racial composition in all grades, applicants will be divided into two groups: majority race and minority race.
  - b. Kindergarten applicants will be selected equally from each group, with **children and grandchildren** of John L. Ory faculty and staff selected first, followed by siblings of current John L. Ory students.
  - c. Numbers will be selected at random using a student selection computer software program.

- d. A representative from the St. John Parish Public Schools Central Office Administration will be present as a witness. This process is a part of the St. John Parish Desegregation Plan and has been approved by the courts.
- e. Siblings of currently attending students will be given first preference in the selection process and will be accepted as space is available and provided the racial balance is maintained. Siblings of selected students from the lottery will be given the sibling preference once the selected student has attended Ory for one year.
- f. There will be 20 majority and 20 minority Kindergarten students initially accepted, with all remaining students placed on a waiting list. All applicants in grades 1-8 and remaining Kindergarten applicants will be placed on a waiting list until promotion of students from the current year has been determined.
- g. Sibling is defined as two students who have at least one parent in common documented on the birth certificate. Blended families (step children) qualify for sibling preference with a valid Marriage License.
- h. All applicants will be notified of their placement in the lottery process via the email address that was provided on the application the following business day after the lottery selection has been completed. Notice of selection or number on the waiting list may also be viewed online at <http://www.oryapplicant.net>.
- i. If any of the applicants that are selected withdraw their application, the applicant that is next on the list will be selected and the parents notified. Information will not be provided over the phone. Kindergarten parents will be asked to accept or reject admission into the magnet program by April 28, 2023.
- j. All Kindergarten students that are selected to attend Ory Magnet School for the 2023-2024 school year will be required to attend an orientation session on Friday, May 12, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

My signature denotes that the lottery selection process was implemented with fidelity.

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## **John L. Ory Communication Arts Magnet** **2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR INTENT TO RETURN**

Please complete the information below and return to school by **March 10, 2023**. Failure to return the form by this date will result in the loss of enrollment at John L. Ory Communication Arts School for the 2023-2024 school year and thereafter. Place a check in the blank indicating your choice and complete the appropriate information.

In addition, if the child whose name appears on this form has siblings that would like to apply to attend Ory Magnet School, please list their names and the grade level for the 2023-2024 school year. This information is needed to determine how many siblings are interested in applying. However, this **DOES NOT guarantee** that the sibling will be accepted. **This will be the only opportunity to request sibling preference. Their names will be selected first in the lottery process. If this information is not included below, the sibling preference will not be considered. In addition to this form, an application MUST be submitted ONLINE with all required documentation submitted to the school office by April 17, 2023 at noon. Visit [www.oryapplicant.net](http://www.oryapplicant.net) to submit an application.**

Please Note: It is not necessary to fill out an application if your child is currently enrolled at Ory Magnet School. **However, an application for siblings is mandatory.**

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_

| <u>Siblings who are applying to the lottery.</u> | <u>Grade level of siblings applying for the 2023-2024 school year.</u> |
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\_\_\_\_\_ My child intends to return to Ory Magnet School for the 2023-2024 school year. I agree to comply with the effort requirement, mandatory uniform policy as a requirement to attend this school, and sign the magnet school contract, where a commitment to support my child's education will be made.

\_\_\_\_\_ My child DOES NOT intend to return to Ory Magnet School for the 2023-2024 school year. I understand that by completing this section of the form, my child loses his/her spot at Ory Magnet School. I understand that my child will return to their home-based school in my attendance district and that I must follow St. John Parish requirements for enrollment at their home-based.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

**\*\*\*\*\*REMINDER: IF YOU ARE REQUESTING SIBLING PREFERENCE, ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION (birth certificate, social security card, 2 proofs of residence, immunization records, and report card) MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN April 17, 2023, at NOON\*\*\*\*\***

**John L. Ory Communication Arts Magnet**  
**2023-2024**  
**8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SIBLING PREFERENCE FORM**

To: Parents of 8<sup>th</sup> grade students

RE: Application for Sibling Preference

Parents of 8<sup>th</sup> graders **MUST** complete this form in order for siblings to receive the sibling preference in the lottery selection, since 8<sup>th</sup> graders do not complete the "Intent to Return" process/form. Please complete and return by March 10, 2023.

If the child whose name appears on this form has siblings that would like to apply to attend Ory Magnet School, please list their names and the grade level for the 2023-2024 school year. This information is needed to determine how many siblings are interested in applying. Their names will be pulled first in the lottery process. However, this **DOES NOT** guarantee that the sibling will be accepted. ***This will be the only opportunity to request sibling preference. If this information is not included below, the sibling preference will not be considered. In addition to this form, an application MUST be submitted online at [www.oryapplicant.net](http://www.oryapplicant.net) AND all required documentation must be submitted by April 17, 2023, at noon.***

Name of 8<sup>th</sup> grade student \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom teacher \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I do not have a sibling that will apply to attend Ory in 2023-2024 school year.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I do have a sibling that will apply to attend Ory in 2023-2024 school year.

| Name of sibling(s) that will be applying for admission for the 2023-2024 school year. | Grade level of sibling(s) applying for the 2023-2024 school year. |
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\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature