

Random Selection Process

Enrollment at The Goodwill Excel Center Public Charter School (“GEC”) is open to anyone age 14 and older who is a resident¹ of the District of Columbia and has previously dropped out of school.

GEC does not limit enrollment on the basis of a student’s race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identification, language spoken, intellectual or athletic ability, measures of achievement or aptitude, or status as a student with special needs. Given the unique model and mission of GEC, students who are overaged, under-credited, and have dropped out of high school are recruited.

GEC accepts applications on a rolling basis throughout the year. Interested students should complete an on-line application (<https://www.dcgoodwill.org/excel-center/admissions-application/>) or submit a paper application (call 202-839-3650 for more information).

Students are admitted on a rolling basis throughout the year as space permits. Maximum enrollment capacity is based on facility space and budgetary considerations.

Every persons who meets the age and residency eligibility requirements and has submitted a completed application is either admitted or added to a wait list in the order in which the completed application was received. As enrollment continues on a rolling basis, any time there is a waitlist, students will be drawn from the waitlist in the order of a prospective student’s place on the waitlist, until such time as the waitlist is exhausted, in which case admission will be offered in the order received.

Any time the total number of students at GEC under the age of 18 (adding together those scheduled for iExcel and those currently enrolled at GEC) has reached or exceeds 6% of the school’s annual projected enrollment as submitted by the school to OSSE, applicants who are under the age of 18 will be placed on the “under 18 wait list” in the order in which their application was received. If a student turns 18 while on the “under 18 wait list”, then: (a) if there is no wait list for applicants over the age of 18, the applicant will be scheduled for the next iExcel session; or (b) if there is a wait list for applicants over the age of 18, the student will remain on the “under 18 wait list” and be added to the “over 18 wait list” and will be scheduled for the next iExcel session when their name reaches the top of either wait list.

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¹ Non-residents who fulfill tuition requirements established by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education can be admitted to the extent of available space.