



Student Teaching Placement Policy

Kittitas Valley Lottery

Spring 2018

Overview: Candidates who wish to do their full-time Student Teaching in the Kittitas Valley will be selected via lottery for those assignments.

Rationale: The number of candidates who wish to student teach in the Kittitas Valley regularly outweighs the number of student teaching openings by schools in the valley. Thus, the lottery is an equitable way to assign candidates to the number of slots open in the valley.

Procedure:

- Kittitas Valley principals will be notified by the SOE Office of Field Experience two weeks before the lottery, letting them know that they can request specific candidates for Student Teaching in their buildings. These requests cannot come from the candidate or Mentor Teacher.
- Principals will be reminded one day before the lottery that they can submit requests for specific candidates and that once the lottery takes place this 'special request' window will close.
- The lottery will be held the quarter before the candidate will student teach and will be conducted by the SOE Office of Field Experience. Only candidates who have applied on time and have been cleared for student teaching will be entered in the lottery. The lottery will be held the second full week of the quarter prior to the candidate's student teaching quarter. The lottery will seek to find an equitable balance between elementary, secondary, and K-12 endorsement areas, excluding all endorsement areas that are not supported by Kittitas Valley schools.
- Candidates should carefully consider their second choice placement requests prior to the lottery, as they are not guaranteed to receive their first choice through the lottery.
- Candidate placement appeals can be submitted to the Office of Field Experience at TeachEd@cwu.edu.