Equitable Access Preference
Washington Latin welcomes all DC students!

Washington Latin is offering a new preference this year. The Equitable Access Preference allows us to set aside seats for students who are considered at risk, defined in DC as those who:

- Are experiencing homelessness.
- Are in the DC foster care system.
- Qualify for government benefits such as SNAP or TANF.

We want to make sure that our school, both the new campus and our current location, are accessible to families across DC and in all circumstances. Students who qualify for this preference will be matched with Washington Latin FIRST, so it makes the chances of a match with our school much higher than in the regular lottery.

How do eligible families use this preference?
On the last screen of the application, you see this statement:

“One or more of the schools you listed on your application may offer an Equitable Access preference for applicants that have met the preference criteria as measured by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education as measured between April 1, 2021 and March 1, 2022. Please click below to give consent to My School DC to coordinate with OSSE to determine if your child should receive this preference and transmit that information to the school.”

Learn more about lottery preferences at myschooldc.org