

## General Information and Enrollment

### **Where is ACE (Alliance Charter Elementary) located?**

ACE is housed within Roosevelt Elementary School, 215 East Forest Avenue, Neenah WI. We often partner with students and teachers at Roosevelt for projects, field trips, and special activities.

**How do I enroll my child at ACE?** You must formally apply for enrollment in the school through the Neenah Joint School District. An online form can be found at <http://enrollmentatalliance.weebly.com/>

Applications are due in January or early February of each year. Contact the Alliance office at 751-6970 for specific deadlines for application, or to apply later in the year.

**What should I expect if my child is put on a waiting list?** Please do not be discouraged if you receive a wait list number. The response to the Montessori approach has been amazing, and unfortunately, we don't have classroom space available to us to accept all of the students who apply each year. We don't know how fast the waiting list may move, and it varies from year to year. If we are not able to accommodate you this year, please re-apply in the spring for the next school year.

**Will my child be able to ride a school bus to ACE?** No. Transportation is not provided. Many families have chosen to carpool, and that has often been facilitated through the school.

**Does ACE have before- and after-school child care available?** ACE families will be able to join other Roosevelt Elementary families in the YMCA before and after school care, if it is offered at the Roosevelt site (a certain number of applicants are required for this program; availability is determined by the YMCA). If offered, the after-school program will provide care for Friday afternoons, when ACE students are dismissed at noon.

**How large will the classes be at ACE?** Class sizes at Alliance have the same district guidelines as other schools in Neenah. The maximum number of students allowed in each class is as follows: Kindergarten - 22, Grades 1-3 (mixed-age) - 23, Grades 4-5 (mixed age) - 26. Class sizes may vary from year to year.

**Will my child's younger brothers or sisters get an admission preference?** Yes, siblings of students at Alliance Charter Elementary will be accepted into the program first. However, because each of our children has a different personality and needs, parents need to consider which approach will work the best for each of their children, and remember that Montessori may not be a fit for the whole family.

**Will ACE students have to take standardized tests?** Yes. ACE uses the state required Forward Exam for students in grades 3-5.