

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

2022 – 2023 Lottery Applications

# Butler Tech Lottery will begin the second week of February 2022.

Acceptance announcements will begin:

- 1st Choice Acceptance: Starting February 8, 2022
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice Acceptance: Starting February 14, 2022
- Open Program Acceptance: Starting February 21, 2022
- Recruitment placements may be ongoing as programs may open periodically.

Initial acceptance notifications are sent through email from <a href="local:red">lotteryplacementhelpdesk@butlertech.org</a> for all students selected for placement.

You will either receive an email about admissions and placement or an update about your pending waitlist status. Please note students will receive different emails at various times because of the significant number of applications for Butler Tech programs.

## What if I am a student in a pending "waitlist" status?

In the new lottery process, placement into a program can be ongoing because another student may decline their acceptance offer. That means, if you are in pending "waitlist" status and another student declines their acceptance, you have a chance to get into the program depending on your lottery hierarchy number. We encourage you to continue checking your email for any notifications.

During the admissions process, you may receive a phone call from the Recruitment Coordinator. The Recruitment Coordinator is authorized to discuss your lottery status and/or provide up-to-date information regarding your placement status.

## If I haven't heard anything about placement, should I call a Butler Tech Principal, Counselor, Teacher, etc.?

We know everyone is excited during this time, but we ask you to please be patient. Please refer to the dates at the top of this document on placement communication. Always check your verified email address from your original application.

You may receive a phone call from the Recruitment Coordinator. The Recruitment Coordinator is authorized to discuss your lottery status. They may reach out to provide any up-to-date information regarding your placement in a program at Butler Tech. Principals, Counselors, Teachers, Administrators, Secretaries, etc., will not have access to this information and will therefore direct you to contact the Recruitment Coordinator with questions. The Recruitment Coordinator's contact information is listed below:

Tiffany Jones, Secondary Education Recruitment and Retention Coordinator, Butler Tech <a href="mailto:jonest@butlertech.org">jonest@butlertech.org</a> | **513-645-8332** (direct)

#### What does it mean to accept or decline an acceptance offer?

# **Acceptance**

• Accepting 1st or 2nd choice placement – Students who accept their 1st or 2nd choice acceptance offer will be placed in that respective program for the 2022-2023 school year at Butler Tech. Students will receive instructions on the onboarding and admissions process through email and mail.

#### **Decline**

Please think about this thoroughly before officially declining your acceptance offer. You will have five (5) calendar days from the email notification to accept or deny the acceptance offer in an email. If you decline acceptance, the Recruitment Coordinator will contact your home school counselor, parent, or guardian listed on the application to confirm.

- Declining 1st Choice Placement Any student who declines their 1st choice program will forfeit their place in the official lottery master hierarchy. That means the next student, in numerical order, will be offered the subsequent available placement in that program. A student may not switch their 1st choice program with their 2nd choice due to the complexity of lottery placement. Once a student declines their 1st choice placement and the Recruitment Coordinator confirms it, they may reapply to Butler Tech for any remaining Open Programs starting March 1, 2022.
- Declining 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice Program Any student who declines their 2nd choice may continue to wait for enrollment in their 1st choice program if space becomes available. Any student who declines their 2nd choice will forfeit their 2<sup>nd</sup> choice program only, and the next student, in order, will be offered the subsequent available placement in that program.

# Can I change or switch my 1st and 2nd choice programs now that I am accepted?

All program choices were finalized on February 1, 2022; therefore, you will be placed in the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> choice program you selected on your application, depending upon your Official Lottery Hierarchy Number.

### What if I only want to be in my 1st Choice Program?

Please let us know through your email acceptance notification. Any student who declines their 2<sup>nd</sup> choice may continue to wait for enrollment in their 1st choice program if the space becomes available.

# I received a notice that my application was declined because of credit deficiency, outside CTPD, etc., but I am still interested in applying for Butler Tech. What can I do?

You may still apply to Butler Tech starting March 1, 2022. This application process will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. Any student who becomes credit(s) eligible or residing within Ohio but outside our Career Technical Planning District may apply for any open programs after the lottery selection process. Please note that after the lottery process concludes and all qualified student placements are exhausted, an Open Application process will occur until all programs are filled and closed.

#### What about Special Services?

Please be aware that placement at Butler Tech is pending review of end-of-year transcripts. For students who receive special education services, an IEP or Section 504 meeting will be convened by your home district this spring at your high school. For students with a 504 or ESL plans your plan will be reviewed by Butler Tech staff to determine if a meeting is needed. Representatives from your home district, as well as you, your parents, and a representative from Butler Tech, will be invited to attend. The purpose of this meeting is to determine a plan for appropriate services and support as it relates to your attendance in the program at Butler Tech.

#### Can I know my lottery number?

Absolutely! Please also know that your lottery number is protected and considered confidential. Therefore, only the Recruitment Coordinator can discuss your lottery hierarchy number with you or your parent/guardian during the admissions process. The Recruitment Coordinator will not discuss any student number or confirm any other student status to protect the privacy of other student applicants. Always check your verified email for updates.

#### I have another question not addressed.

Please email or call the Recruitment Coordinator.

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