

ADMISSION OF INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER STUDENTS

The Board of Education will permit students from other school districts in the state of Ohio to attend the Reynoldsburg City School District, provided that state laws and regulations and the procedures set forth in the guidelines are followed. Guidelines for the implementation of this policy shall be developed that provide for the following:

- A. Application procedures, including deadlines for application and notification of students and superintendents of other districts when an application is approved;
- B. Procedures for admission, including the criteria by which applications from other district students shall be reviewed and prioritized;
- C. District capacity limits by grade level, school building, or educational program;
- D. Resident students shall have first priority and previously enrolled nonresident students shall have preference over first-time applicants;
- E. Procedures to ensure maintenance of appropriate racial balance in the district's schools, classrooms, and programs. Any school, classroom, or program that has a minority student population at variance from the district-wide ratio by more than 15% shall not be considered racially balanced for purposes of this policy. Minority for the purpose of this policy shall be African-American, Asian-American, Hispanic-American, and Native American;
- F. No requirements of academic, athletic, artistic, or extra-curricular skills shall be required;
- G. No limitations on admitting disabled students unless any services described in the student's IEP is not available in the district;
- H. No requirement that the student be proficient in the English language;
- I. No rejection of any student because the student has been subject to disciplinary proceedings, except if an applicant has been suspended or expelled by another district for ten (10) consecutive days or more in the school year for which admission is sought or in the term immediately preceding the term for which admission is sought;
- J. Procedures to ensure that athletic eligibility complies with state and local requirements and the rules of the Ohio High School Athletic Association; and
- K. Any transportation provided by the district for non-resident students takes place only within established bus routes and bus stops within the district.

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Reynoldsburg City School District, Reynoldsburg, Ohio

INTERDISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT GUIDELINES

The Board of Education believes that students, under certain prescribed circumstances, can benefit from interdistrict open enrollment. Therefore, the following guidelines have been established to govern the enrollment of students from other school districts in the state of Ohio.

- A. A complete application for interdistrict open enrollment must be received in the Superintendent's office no later than 4:00 p.m. on June 7 of the school year preceding the year for which open enrollment is sought. A separate application must be submitted for each student for whom open enrollment is being requested.
- B. All applicants will be notified by mail of acceptance or denial by August 1 preceding the year for which open enrollment is sought. No information will be given orally either in person or over the telephone. All approved transfers shall be for one (1) year only. The Board of Education reserves the right to deny any and all applicants and cancel the interdistrict open enrollment program at any time for any school year.
- C. Students, who meet all the requirements of these guidelines, will be accepted on a priority basis as follows:
 - Student was enrolled in the district in the previous year.
 - Parent/guardian is a staff member.
 - Sibling is already enrolled.
 - Parent/guardian works within the Reynoldsburg School District boundaries.
 - Parent/guardian owns property within the Reynoldsburg School District boundaries.
 - Parent/guardian is a Reynoldsburg Alumni.
 - Grandparent lives within Reynoldsburg School District boundaries.
 - The order in which applications were received.
- D. In order to be considered for interdistrict open enrollment, students must have an appropriate number of credits and be age-appropriate for the grade level in which they are seeking to enroll.
- E. No interdistrict transfer will be approved if the enrollment would exceed district capacity limits for that grade level, school, program, or class. The Superintendent or designee will determine such limits based on the district's staffing, finances, and other relevant resources available at the time the transfer is sought.
- F. No student, once accepted for interdistrict open enrollment, will be displaced should enrollment exceed district capacity limits. The Superintendent or designee will determine the building, class, or program assignment of the student.
- G. The parents of a student, who is accepted for open enrollment, shall be responsible for the transportation of the student to the building to which he or she is assigned.
- H. No student will be considered for open enrollment if he or she has been suspended or expelled for ten (10) or more consecutive days in the current school year or the immediately preceding school year.
- I. Students with disabilities will be denied interdistrict open enrollment if a service described in the student's IEP is not available in the district. Under no circumstances will the school district be required to establish any special education program or provide any service not currently available in the school district in order to serve an open enrollment student.
- J. Applications for open enrollment shall be rejected if the admission will negatively impact the racial balance of a building.
- K. Resident students will not be displaced under any circumstances.
- L. All applicable rules and regulations of the Ohio High School Athletic Association and of the Board of Education shall govern the athletic eligibility of an open enrollment student.
- M. A student must meet all graduation requirements established by the Board of Education in order to graduate from Reynoldsburg High School.