

ADMISSION OF INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER STUDENTS

The Board permits any student from any adjacent district in the state to apply and enroll in the District schools free of any tuition obligation, provided that all procedures as outlined in the administrative regulations are met. Requirements include:

1. application procedures, including deadlines for application and notification to students of acceptance or rejection and the superintendents of adjacent districts whenever an adjacent district's student's application is approved;
2. procedures for admission;
3. District capacity limits by grade level, school building and educational program are determined;
4. resident students and previously enrolled adjacent district students have preference over first-time applicants;
5. no requirements of academic, athletic, artistic or any other skill or proficiency;
6. no limitations on admitting students with disabilities, unless services required in an Individualized Education Program are not available in the District;
7. no requirement that the student be proficient in the English language;
8. no rejection of any applying student because the student has been subject to disciplinary proceedings, except an applicant who has been suspended or expelled by the adjacent district for 10 consecutive days or more in the term for which admission is sought or in the term immediately preceding the term for which admission is sought and
9. procedures to ensure maintenance of an appropriate racial balance in the District's schools.

The District cannot refuse to accept the credits earned by students who have participated in interdistrict open enrollment. The Board will not adopt a policy that discourages resident students from participating in interdistrict open enrollment.

Students in grades 9-12 are ineligible for athletics for the first 50% of the maximum allowable regular season contests in the sports the student participated in during the 12 months immediately preceding the transfer, until the one-year anniversary date of enrollment in the school the student transferred to. Exceptions to the ineligibility provisions are outlined in the Ohio High School Athletic Association Bylaws.

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The specific criteria for permitting students from any adjacent school districts to attend Logan-Hocking Schools will contain the following elements.

1. The District interdistrict open enrollment policy applies to all students residing in adjacent school districts.
2. No part of this open enrollment policy applies to native students residing within the boundaries of the District.
3. Parents and residents of the school district must be notified of the interdistrict open enrollment policy no later than March 15 for the following school year.
4. Applications for interdistrict transfer must be submitted to the Superintendent's office no later than May 1 for the next school year. A separate application must be submitted for each student. Acceptance or rejection of requests will be made by June 30. Parents must indicate in writing acceptance of the transfer on or before July 15.
5. Acceptance of students with disabilities will not be limited, unless services required in an Individualized Education Program are not available in the District.
6. Applications shall be considered in the order in which they are received.
7. Class size/teacher load limits for approval for interdistrict open enrollment are as follows:

Grade Levels
K- 12

Class Size/Teacher Load Limits
four students below maximum as
stated in the negotiated agreement
and/or state requirements

8. Once approved, a student's continued assignment to the Logan-Hocking Schools will be guaranteed regardless of any changes in the number of native students enrolled at that grade level. Students who are accepted for enrollment will be considered as native students in all subsequent school years. However, the administration will determine building assignment (elementary) and there is no guarantee that the building assignment (elementary) will prevail in subsequent years.

9. Applications rejected due to capacity limits and late applications will be held and considered according to the order in which they were received until August 25 of the school year for which application was made.

10. Students who move into another district may apply to the Superintendent for transfer during a school year. The Superintendent may consider an application after the filing deadline should the data warrant such review and space is available.
11. Athletic eligibility will be determined in accordance with the guidelines of the Ohio High School Athletic Association.
12. School transportation will be provided only within the boundaries of the District. Arrangements will be approved by the District's transportation supervisor.
13. Applicants may be rejected if the racial balance of either the sending or the receiving school district would be negatively impacted.
14. Students with discipline problems may be rejected for interdistrict transfer only if they have been suspended or expelled by the sending district for 10 consecutive days or more in the current term or the immediate preceding term.

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