

Choices For Students And Families



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Opportunities For A High-Quality Education

All parents should have the opportunity to make choices about their children's education. Parents and students often seek out educational opportunities at a public school other than the one in the student's attendance area. The District offers several ways to make that possible. Among them is the No Child Left Behind Transfer Option (NCLB).

NCLB And Adequate Yearly Progress

The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB) was designed to help create high-performing schools. It requires proficiency in reading and mathematics for ALL students by the 2013-2014 school year. In order to achieve that goal, the legislation set annual achievement targets for schools. Schools must meet these annual targets to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP). The FCAT is the test that is used to determine if a school makes AYP.



Some schools that serve high numbers of children who are eligible for free or reduced price lunch receive additional funding from the federal government to supplement their educational programs. These schools are called Title I schools because they receive this type of additional funds. Title I schools that don't make AYP for two years in a row are identified as schools in need of improvement.

No Child Left Behind Transfer Option

If your child is enrolled in or is projected to attend a Title I school that has not made AYP for two years in a row, he or she may be eligible to transfer to another school. If your child is eligible you will be notified by mail toward the end of the school year. You will receive a letter and an application form.

The application form will list two school options that you may choose if you want to transfer to another school. You do not have to transfer, but you have the option if you want it.



If you decide to transfer, then you must fill out the form and return it to the School Choice Office by the deadline printed on the application. The School Choice Office will process your application and notify you of the new school assignment.



When you transfer your child to another school, the student may stay at that school until he or she reaches the highest grade level in that school.

About Transportation

When you use the NCLB Transfer Option, you will receive transportation to the new school. You will receive information about the bus stop with your new school assignment.



Key Dates For The No Child Left Behind Transfer Option

Title I School

May:	Parents are notified by mail that their child may be eligible
June:	Deadline to submit application
July:	Parents notified of new school assignment and provided with transportation information
August:	Child attends new school

However, if you move out of the attendance area or if the school your child transfers from makes AYP for two consecutive years, then transportation becomes the responsibility of the parent.

Need More Information?

Parents who would like more information about the NCLB Transfer Option are invited to contact the School Choice office at 390-2144.