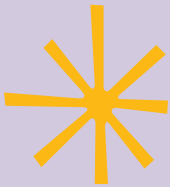
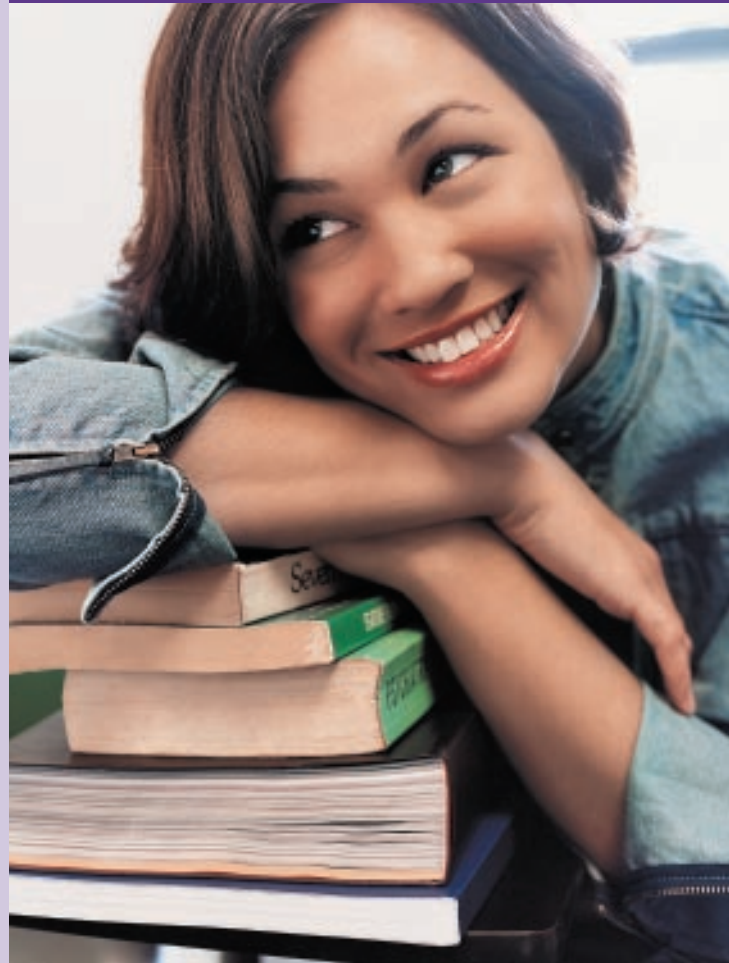


Choices For Students And Families



Opportunity Scholarship Program



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Your Choices

If your child is eligible for the program, you have two choices. The child may:

- Remain in the current school, or
- Transfer to a public school that has received a grade of C or better. School options will be posted after release of the 2009 state grades.

Choosing A Higher-Performing Public School

Parents of eligible students will be notified by letter that their child is eligible for the program. Along with that letter will come an application form for your child to attend a different public school that has received a grade of C or better and a list of schools to choose from. If you decide that your child will attend one of these public schools, return the completed application form on or before the deadline listed on the application.

Under this option, the school district will provide transportation. Also, the opportunity for a student to continue attending the higher-performing school remains in force until the student graduates from high school.

Opportunity Scholarship students with disabilities who are eligible to receive services from the school district under federal or state law remain eligible to receive these services in their new schools.

Any Questions?

For additional information, please visit www.floridaschoolchoice.org, www.duvalchoice.com or call the Duval County School Choice Office at (904) 390-2144. We'll be glad to offer complete assistance.

The application deadline for 2009-2010 cannot be determined until the state releases school grades.

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Choices For Education

Making choices about our children's education is important to all parents. And the DCPS Choice program helps give parents the chance to make those important decisions. One of the programs we help make available to you is called Opportunity Scholarships.

This is a statewide program that allows students in failing schools to transfer to a higher-performing public school. A failing school is one that has received a grade of F twice within a four-year period.

Student Eligibility

To be eligible for the program, a student in grade kindergarten through grade 11 must have been enrolled in or be projected to attend a Duval County public school that has been determined to be a failing school.

If Duval County has eligible schools for 2009-2010, a list of schools will be published upon release of 2009 state grades.

In any event, you will know your child is eligible because the school district will inform all parents whose children are attending a failing school that they are eligible to participate in the Opportunity Scholarship Program.