

INTER-DISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT

The Board of Education shall permit students from any other school district(s) in the state to apply and enroll in the Mapleton Local School District, provided that they meet the requirements of this policy and the laws and regulations of the state.

Application Procedures

- A. Any application for an interdistrict transfer must be submitted by mail **only** to the Superintendent's Office of the Mapleton Local School District between March 1 and June 15. One application must be submitted for each student who requests an interdistrict transfer. Applications submitted after the deadline may be considered by the Superintendent if a special need exists.
- B. Applications will be acted upon by July 15. The applicant and his or her parent, guardian, or custodian, and the superintendent of the district in which the applicant is enrolled pursuant to O.R.C. §3313.64 or 3313.65, shall be notified of the decision within seven (7) days following this date.

Admission of Applicants

- C. All students who are entitled and wish to attend school in the District pursuant to O.R.C. §§3313.64 or 3313.65 will be enrolled.
- D. Tuition students and any previously open-enrolled applicant will receive preference over first-time applicants.
- E. A student's application cannot be denied because of disciplinary action in his/her home school, except for a suspension or expulsion for ten (10) consecutive days or more that occurs in the current semester or the semester immediately preceding the application.
- F. An application from a student with a disability cannot be denied because of the student's disability unless the services described in the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) are not available in the District's schools.

District Capacity Limits

- G. Unless the following restrictions are waived by the Superintendent, an applicant will not be accepted if accepting the applicant will cause:
 - 1. The number of students enrolled in grades kindergarten through six to exceed 25 students per section in a particular grade level;

2. The number of students enrolled in grades seven or eight to exceed 200 students in a particular grade level;
 3. The number of students enrolled in grades nine through twelve to exceed capacity limits for specific courses as determined by the Superintendent;
 4. The number of students in each educational program to exceed capacity limits as determined by the Superintendent; or
 5. The racial balance of the District to be negatively impacted.
- H. No student, once accepted, will be displaced during the school year, should the enrollment exceed the limits stated above. The administration will determine building assignment, and there is no guarantee that the building assignment will prevail in subsequent years.

Open-Enrolled Students

- I. A student enrolled under this Policy remains subject to state law and the requirements of the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the purpose of determining athletic eligibility.
- J. Any transportation provided by the District for a non-resident student shall take place only within established bus routes and bus stops within the District.

Notification of Policy

- K. Upon request, the Board will provide information about this Open Enrollment Policy to the board of education of any other school district or to the parent of any student anywhere in the state.

LEGAL REFS: O.R.C. §3313.98

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