

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS

The Board shall determine the attendance areas for the schools under its jurisdiction. ~~Students are required to attend the school designated for the area in which their parents/guardians reside.~~

The Superintendent shall periodically review existing attendance areas and recommend to the Board such changes as may be deemed necessary after considering student demographics/ population changes in the areas served by the schools, enrollment in the classes within schools, financial and administrative efficiency, convenience of access to schools and student transportation.

A parent may request in writing to the Superintendent that his/her child be allowed to attend a school other than the one for the designated attendance area. Transfers may be granted if another school is more accessible to the parent's place of work or to the location of child care or if there is some special hardship affecting the student or the student's immediate family that would be alleviated as a result of the transfer. Transfers may be granted provided there is space available in the grade level or classes in the school the student desires to attend; appropriate educational programs, facilities and services are available already at that location; appropriate transportation is available; and the student's transfer is in the best interest of the student and the schools. School bus transportation will not be provided unless students can be accommodated on existing bus routes. In the event that students cannot be transported using existing bus routes, parents/guardians will be responsible for transporting their child to school.

A parent who is dissatisfied with the Superintendent's decision may, within five days of receipt of the Superintendent's decision, appeal in writing to the Board. The Board will hear the appeal at its next regular meeting.

**This policy will be included in new elementary student enrollment forms.**

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