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#### INTRA-DISTRICT STUDENT CHOICE, 2022-2023 School Year

Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

Beginning March 7, 2022, Atlanta Public Schools (APS) will accept applications for School Choice Transfers (General Administrative Transfers and Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Transfers) for the 2022-2023 school year.

Georgia's Public School Choice law allows residents of the City of Atlanta to attend a public school outside of their zoned school if space is available. Persons living outside the City of Atlanta boundaries may apply to attend an Atlanta Public School if space is available and with the payment of non-resident tuition.

APS offers two types of intra-district school choice transfers:

- General Administrative Transfers permits a student to attend an out-of-zone school through
  completion of the highest grade of the school. This option will also allow children of military families
  living in the school system in base housing, whether on or off base, to attend any school in the school
  system, "provided capacity is available beyond its assignment students."
- 2. **Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Transfers** permits eligible special education students to request a transfer to another APS school on the basis of special needs.

A list of transfer schools will post to the APS Student Transfer website starting March 7, 2022, and parents/guardians may complete the **General Administrative Transfers** and **Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Transfers** online at the APS Student Transfer website: <a href="http://www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/transfers">http://www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/transfers</a>. Paper applications are available at the Department of Student Assignment, located at 130 Trinity Avenue (2nd Floor), Atlanta, Georgia, 30303.

Please review the transfer list carefully. <u>Only applications requesting a school from the transfer list will be accepted.</u> Transfer application submission dates:

Monday - Friday

March 7 - March 25

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The deadline to submit a transfer request for the 2022-2023 school year is March 25, 2022. In the event a particular school has available space, and the number of transfer requests exceeds spaces available, a random lottery will be held.

### The following documents are required with your application:

- 1. Photo identification or APS employee badge;
- A Deed, Mortgage Statement, or Lease/Rental Agreement (or current HUD Certificate of Compliance/Annual Renewal Notice) in the owner or primary renters name and showing residence property address; and
- 3. Georgia Power Bill (current within the last 30 days).

### Important Notices:

- The law requires the parent/guardian to assume all costs and responsibilities related to the transportation of the student to and from the transfer school as long as the student attends that school.
- Siblings: There is no priority given for siblings.
- A transferring student who completes all grades available at the receiving school is not automatically
  eligible for enrollment to the feeder school. When a student moves from elementary to middle school
  or middle to high school, a new transfer request must be submitted.
- Any student transferring under this law shall be subject to the eligibility requirements of the Georgia High School Association.

If you have questions regarding general administrative transfers, please contact Student Assignment at (404) 802-2233 or email <a href="mailto:studentassignment@atlantapublicschools.us">studentassignment@atlantapublicschools.us</a>.

# SCHOOL CHOICE STARTS MARCH 7!

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## **Student Assignment**



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1. General Administrative Transfers - permits a student to attend an out of zone school through completion of the highest grade of the school.



 Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Transfers - permits eligible special education students to request a transfer to another APS school on the basis of special needs.

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March 7th - March 25th 8:30am-4:00pm

### Important points to remember:

- ✓ Parents may only apply during the application window.
- ✓ Application submitted on the last day receive the same consideration as applications submitted on the first day.
- ✓ Student transfers are granted based upon space availability.
- ✓ Applications will only be accepted for schools with available space.
- ✓ Individual school are not permitted to allow students residing out of their attendance zone to enroll without an approved transfer.
- √ Transportation under this public school option is the responsibility of the parent.
- ✓ Out of district resident are considered after the applications of resident students.
- ✓ Out of district tuition rates for 2021-2022 are \$10,347 for general students and \$15,198 for special education students. The Atlanta Board of Education will vote in Summer 2022 to determine non-resident tuition rates for the 2022-2023 school year.
- ✓ The granting of a transfer for one child under School Choice does not ensure
  approval for siblings from current and future school years.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 25, 2022** 

For additional information, please contact:

Department of Student Assignment

130 Trinity Avenue, 2nd Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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