

INTERDISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT GUIDELINES

The Toronto City School District believes that a student should, under certain prescribed circumstances, benefit from an interdistrict open enrollment policy. The specific criteria for this program shall be consistent with O.R.C. §§3313.64, 3313.65 and 3313.98 as follows:

- A. Priority 1 - Students entitled to enroll under O.R.C. §§3313.64 or 3313.65
- Priority 2 - Previously enrolled open enrollment or tuition students
- Priority 3 - First-time open enrollment applicants
- B. Parents will have the opportunity to obtain information concerning the Open Enrollment Policy and Guidelines annually by contacting the Toronto City School District Central Office in writing January 1 through February 28. Additionally, the Open Enrollment Policy and Guidelines shall be given to other district superintendent(s).
- C. Interdistrict transfer applications must be submitted to the Superintendent's office of the Toronto City School District in duplicate between April 20 and June 15. Applications will be acted on by June 21. Parent/guardians must accept transfer within 14 days.
- D. An application must be submitted each year for each student who requests an interdistrict transfer. Copies of applications and approvals shall be provided to the superintendent of the student's district of residence and to any parent who requests an application. All current applications will be kept on file in the Toronto City School District Central Office.
- E. No interdistrict transfer will be permitted if such enrollment would exceed District capacity limits as may be provided by federal, state or local law(s) including without limitation teacher-pupil ratios contained in the Operating Standards for Ohio's Elementary and Secondary Schools, applicable collective bargaining agreement(s) and applicable Board policy(ies).
- F. No student, once accepted, will be displaced during the course of that school year. Preference may be indicated for a particular building, class or program on the application, and every effort will be made, within the bounds of this Policy to comply with that preference. The administration will determine building, class and program assignment, without guarantee that such assignment will prevail in subsequent years.
- G. Students with disabilities may be rejected for interdistrict transfer if the services described in the student's IEP are not currently available in the District's schools. Enrollment limits for special education units shall not be exceeded.

- H. The Toronto City School District shall not be required to institute any special education programs to serve open enrollment students.
- I. Applicants shall be considered on a first-come, first-served basis annually unless an open enrollment admission would negatively impact the racial balance of a building, class, or program. Resident students will not be displaced under any circumstances, and previously enrolled nonresident students will be given preference over new applicants.
- J. The student, once assigned, will remain enrolled for only one school year. If re-application for interdistrict transfer is not submitted to the Superintendent, then the student will automatically be returned to his/her resident school district.
- K. The Toronto City School District will accept no responsibility for the transportation of students to other districts. Transportation of students from adjacent district shall take place within established bus routes within the Toronto City School District.
- L. The Toronto City School District will deny enrollment to students who have been expelled or suspended for ten (10) or more consecutive days in the current term or the immediately preceding term.
- M. All applicable Ohio High School Athletic Association regulations and provisions will be observed.