

SCHOOL CHOICE

It is the policy of this School District to admit non-resident students under the terms and conditions of the Interdistrict School Choice Law (M.G.L. 76:12B) and under the following local conditions:

1. By May 1 of every school year, the administration will determine the number of spaces in each school available to school choice students.
2. By June 1 of every school year, if consideration is being given to withdraw from the provisions of the choice law, a public meeting will be held to review this decision.
3. The selection of non-resident students for admission to be in the form of a random drawing when the number of requests exceeds the number of available spaces. One drawing will take place during the last week of the current school year but no later than July 1st. A second will be conducted during the week immediately preceding the opening of the next school year only if there are additional unexpected openings.
4. Any student who is accepted for admission under the provisions of this policy is entitled to remain in the District until graduation from high school except if there is a lack of funding of the program.
5. The School Committee affirms its position that it shall not discriminate in the admission of any child on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, gender identity, age, sexual orientation, ancestry, athletic performance, disability, pregnancy, pregnancy related condition, homelessness, ethnic background, special need, academic and/or athletic performance, proficiency in the English language, or any other category protected by state or federal law.

SOURCE: MASC

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LEGAL REFS.: M.G.L. [71:6](#); [71:6A](#); [76:6](#); [76:12](#); [76:12B](#)

BESE Regulations 603 CMR [26:00](#)

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