

MIDLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS PLAN IN-DISTRICT STUDENT TRANSFER

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

1. **Use this form to transfer your student from one Midland Public School to another.** Applications are being accepted for K–12 students for the 2020-2021 school year beginning **February 1, 2021 to March 30, 2021**. Parents will be notified of the status of the application by **April 13, 2021**.
2. **New students must pre-register** in order to participate in Schools of Choice. **Parents may pre-register at their home attendance area building.** The following documents are required for Pre-Registration for grades K through 12: An original birth certificate (the school office will make a copy), documentation of your residency (utility bill, rent receipt, lease agreement), and Immunization Record. Parents will be notified of the student's status by email or other preference within the timeline below.
3. **Non-Resident students**, who are new to the district, are welcome to pre-register with the MPS Administration office, 600 E. Carpenter St., Midland, MI 48640. For more information, see the district website, www.midlandps.org >Parents>Enrollment, or call 989-923-5024. **Your acceptance is conditional until MPS receives and reviews all school reports.** Parents will be notified of the student's status by email or other preference within the timeline stated below.
4. A registered student, changing residency within the school district boundaries, may remain at their current school, if proper documentation of the new residence is presented to the school office.
5. Parents of Schools of Choice students are expected to provide transportation to and from school. High school students may ride shuttle buses between high schools, as scheduled. The option of shuttle buses is not guaranteed.
6. The buildings available for Schools of Choice students and the number of spaces in each building will be determined by the Midland Public School District.
7. Priority will be given for siblings to attend the same school.
8. If applicants exceed spaces available, a lottery will be held as specified by state law. All applicants will be notified by U.S. mail of their enrollment status no later than **April 13, 2021**.
9. If your name is not drawn in the lottery for admission to the Midland Public School District, we will maintain your name on a waiting list and notify you the week of **August 2, 2021** if additional space becomes available.
10. If accepted for attendance, every effort will be made to accommodate building preferences. However, students will be assigned based on available space.
11. Assignment to a particular classroom is the responsibility of the building administration.
12. When a student is preparing to change levels (elementary to middle school or middle school to high school), the student is expected to follow the usual promotion pattern to determine the next building of attendance.
13. Midland Public Schools will refuse to enroll any applicant who has been suspended from another school during the past two school years or who has ever been expelled by another district.
14. Special Education programs and services for handicapped students are regulated by legislation and administrative rules that determine placement of these programs.
15. Athletic eligibility at the secondary level may be affected by this choice. Students who transfer by choice from one school to another and do not otherwise satisfy the transfer regulation are ineligible for interscholastic athletics for one full semester. Questions concerning athletic eligibility should be directed to John Streeter, Athletic Director, H. H. Dow High School, (989)923-5582 or to Eric Albright, Athletic Director, Midland High School (989)923-5217.

ATTENDANCE:

Students are expected to arrive and depart from school on time. Students who are excessively absent or tardy could be asked to return to their home district. It is expected that parents will pick up students on time when they are attending an after school or evening event.

CODE OF CONDUCT:

All Student Code of Conduct rules, procedures, and policies will apply to all students who enter Midland Public Schools under the Schools of Choice guidelines and procedures. Reference: Board of Education Policies: <https://go.boarddocs.com/mi/midp/Board.nsf/Public?open&id=policies>

TRANSPORTATION:

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TIMELINES:

Applications begin:	February 1, 2021
Early Application deadline:	March 31, 2021
Lottery date:	April 13, 2021
Parent notification date:	April 13, 2021
School of Choice Deadline 2021	August 2, 2021

QUESTIONS: You may contact Midland Public Schools at (989)923-5024 or email longstrethra@midlandps.org, if you have any questions regarding this program.