

# CALHOUN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### Frequently Asked Questions About Controlled Open Enrollment

- **If my child is already attending a school that is outside the attendance/transportation zone that we reside in, will they be able to continue attending that school?**  
Yes. You will need to complete an Open Enrollment Application during the Controlled Open Enrollment period so that your child can continue to attend the school that is outside the zone in which you live.
- **How will Calhoun County School District determine available seats for out-of-district transfers?**  
If there are seats available at the school after students from our district have been placed, then out-of-district students will be enrolled if they meet the requirements.
- **Will I have to complete an Open Enrollment Application and Contract each year?**  
Yes, you will need to complete an Open Enrollment Application and Contract each school year during the Controlled Open Enrollment period during the spring semester if you reside outside of the school's attendance zone. However, once your child is accepted at a school that is out of your zone, they will have a seat at that school until they complete the highest grade level at the school or fail to abide by the conditions of the contract.
- **Will anyone get preferential treatment in placement?**  
Yes, preferential treatment must be provided to military dependents; foster care relocations; custody issues or serious illness/death of a parent. Student residing in our district also get preferential treatment to attend their school of choice within the school district.
- **Will siblings be kept together?**  
Yes, but each child must complete an Open Enrollment Application each school year.
- **What if I want to move my child after the Controlled Open Enrollment period ends?**  
Hardship or statutory provisions may affect transfers to schools within our district. These provisions include documented medical, emotional, psychological, and legal reasons.

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- **Will the district continue to accept applications for enrollment at schools which have not reached capacity?**

Controlled Open enrollment is a year-round process with updates at least every 12 weeks. Schools are required to accept students throughout the school year as capacity becomes available. Capacity determinations are made by grade level. The Calhoun County School District will maintain a wait list of students who are unable to enter a school due to capacity issues. If a space becomes available at a school, the parents on the wait will be notified. The Calhoun County School District will identify and disclose on the district websites the capacity for its schools, by grade level.

- **Who is responsible for transportation for my child to attend a school that is out of our attendance zone?**

The parent/guardian is responsible for the transportation of a student approved to attend a school of choice through the Controlled Open Enrollment process.

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