

## **CONTROLLED OPEN ENROLLMENT PLAN CALHOUN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Calhoun County School District shall continue to offer controlled open enrollment in all of the five district schools. If parents wish for their child to change schools or attend a school out of their transportation district, then they can apply at the school of choice between April 1 and August 1 of the upcoming school year. Parents will also place a second and third place choice on the letter of application. This process will not be necessary for students attending any school prior to the initiation of the application procedure. If a school reaches capacity, then assignments will be made up to the educational capacity of the school, in accordance with the racial, and ethnic diversity guidelines and the following preferences:

- A. Sibling Preference
- B. Random Lottery Number

Students who cannot be accommodated at their first choice school will be assigned to their second or third choice depending on seat availability. Students also may be placed in an eligibility pool for possible re-assignment to their first choice school at the beginning of the next semester if space becomes available in their particular grade level. Hardship cases may be appealed to the School Board on an individual basis.

Student transfer procedures will permit equitable, but limited and necessary movement of students from school to school. Once a student enrolls in or is assigned to a school, they must request School Board permission to transfer to another district school during the school year. All transfers will be made at the change of semesters.

Calhoun County School District will continue to design bus routes that will accommodate controlled open school enrollment within the confines of safety and economic feasibility. At the present time, there are two bus connection points in the district whereby students can transfer and connect to a school of their choice.

A parent will be selected by each school to represent and communicate with other parents and the community about open enrollment issues.

The district shall make information available to parents to assist them in making informed choices about where to send their children to school. This information will provide statistical data as well as general information about each of the five schools in the district. Additional information can be provided on an individual basis on request. For further information contact:

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