

**DISTRICT OF CHOICE PROGRAM**  
**2020 – 2021 School Year**  
**Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) & Answers**

**1. When will District of Choice (DOC) applications be available?**

District of Choice applications will be available from October 15 to December 31, 2019. Please note *The District Office closes for winter break December 18, 2019 at noon, and reopens on January 6, 2020. DOC applications MUST be postmarked on or before December 31, 2019.*

**Note:** We cannot process applications from students who reside in the Azusa, Rowland, and Pomona Unified.

Please consider the enrollment options described below:

- Parent Employment (Allen Bill)
- Interdistrict Transfer

*If you have any questions, please contact our office at 909-595-1261 x31360.*

**2. Where can I get an application?**

Applications will be available at the district office located at 880 S. Lemon Avenue, Walnut. You may pick up an application between 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM (until noon on Dec. 18, 2019). Applications will also be available to print on the Walnut Valley Unified School District (WVUSD) Website at [www.wvusd.k12.ca.us](http://www.wvusd.k12.ca.us). If your child already attends a school in the WVUSD, on an Inter-District transfer, you may fill out a DOC application (with the exception of Azusa, Rowland, and Pomona Unified\*\*\* residents).

**3. When are applications due?**

Applications are due **no later than December 31, 2019** ---After December 18, all applications need to be mailed with a postmark no later than December 31. **APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. ADDITIONALLY, DUPLICATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.**

**4. Will there be a lottery drawing?**

If we receive more applications than we have seats available for a particular grade level, a random drawing will be held at a WVUSD Board Meeting. Priority will be given to students with siblings already in attendance in WVUSD, children of military service members, and students on free/reduced price meals. You do not need to be present at this meeting.

**5. When will parents know if they have been accepted under DOC? Do I need to notify my home district?**

Parent notification will be mailed out to all applicants by February 14, 2020. WVUSD will notify your home district.

*Note: If you do not receive notification in the mail by the end of the first week in April, 2020 please call Gloria Diaz in Pupil Services at (909) 595-1261, extension 31360. If your child is not approved under DOC this year, we encourage you to apply for an Inter-District transfer from your home district.*

**6. Does each child in the family need a separate application?**

**Yes**, parents need to complete an application for each child.

**7. If I currently have another child attending WVUSD under DOC in a previous year, do my other children automatically enter WVUSD on a DOC status?**

**No.** Each child in the family must apply and be accepted separately.

*Example: You have a child about to enter Kindergarten who already has a sibling in the WVUSD enrolled via DOC. You must still submit an application for the Kindergartener.*

**8. When will I know my child's school site assignment? Are we allowed to pick the schools?**

DOC approved applicants will be provisionally assigned to a school site by February 14, 2020. The assignments are based on available seats, and **determined** by the District Office. Parents may indicate a school preference on the application.

**9. Can I mail in my application?**

Yes, the application can be returned by U.S. Mail to: WVUSD/PPS/DOC, 880 S. Lemon Avenue, Walnut, CA 91789 and must be **postmarked no later than December 31, 2019.**

**10. Do I have to re-submit an application every year?**

No. Students maintain enrollment in WVUSD through the life of the DOC statute. However, if you move **within** the WVUSD, you will lose your DOC status and enroll as a resident. As well, if you **remove** your child from our district and enroll elsewhere, your student will lose his/her DOC status.

**11. What are the age requirements for Transitional Kindergarten or Kindergarten?**

Transitional Kindergarten is for children turning 5 years of age with birthdays between September 2 - December 2. Kindergarten children must be 5 years of age on or before September 1.