

Parent Information - Schools of Choice

Applications are available at the Northville Board of Education Office, 501 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167 and on our website at www.northvilleschools.org . Parents may call the Office of Human Resources at (248) 344-3537 for additional information.

At the February 13, 2018 Board of Education meeting, the Board approved the following recommendations for the 2018-2019 school year, to include Section 105 (Wayne RESA):

In-District Open Enrollment (Resident)

Winter 2018	Application and Guidelines to be posted
May 15, 2018	Applications due to Central Office
June 30, 2018 (tentative)	Placements announced to families

PA-227 Schools of Choice (Employee)

Winter 2018	Application and Guidelines to be posted
April 27, 2018	Applications due to Central Office
June 30, 2018 (tentative)	Placements announced to families

Section 105 / 105c – Limited Schools of Choice (Wayne County RESA)

May 14, 2018	Application and Guidelines to be posted
June 8, 2018	Applications due to Central Office
June 20, 2018	Lottery, if necessary
June 22, 2018	Placements announced to families

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. Is the Northville Public School District open to enrollments from students living outside of the district?**

No, except for those exceptions listed in Policy 2118 – Non-Resident Students, which includes an exception for students participating in Section 105 / 105c Limited Schools of Choice (See below #3)

- 2. Does it cost to participate in the Limited Schools of Choice Program?**

There is no cost for the program (with the exception of applicable IB fees and extra-curricular fees) and accepted students will be allowed to attend Northville Public Schools through the completion of high school.

- 3. What are the Northville Public Schools options?**

In-District "Open Enrollment" requests are for residents of the Northville Public School District **only**. Proof of residency is required.

PA-227 is a Schools of Choice option for regular employees of Northville Public Schools who are not residents of the District.

Section 105 and 105c are Limited Schools of Choice options for residents that fall under the auspices of the Wayne County RESA, or an Intermediate School District that is contiguous with Wayne County. Proof of residency is required. All Limited Schools of Choice options are determined by the Board of Education on an annual basis.

- 4. When is the application period?**

The application period for In-District Open Enrollment is normally in the spring / summer of each school year for the following school year. Please check our website for updated information and deadlines.

The application period for Limited Schools of Choice (105/105c,) in any year in which it is approved by the Board of Education, is typically in the spring / summer, with adherence to mandated public notices and application timelines.

- 5. How do I apply?**

Applications for Limited Schools of Choice (Section 105/105c) are available at the Board of Education Office, 501 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167, and on the website www.northvilleschools.org. They must be returned to the Office of Human Resources by the deadline noted on the application. They can be hand delivered or mailed. If mailed, they must be postmarked no later than the deadline.

6. What factors determine Limited Schools of Choice (Section 105/105c) openings?

Placement options are determined on an annual basis and based upon current building enrollment, projected enrollment, budget constraints, staffing allocations, program criteria applied to resident students and number of requests. If requests exceed openings, a lottery will be held.

7. Is placement on a first come, first serve basis?

No. All applications are reviewed for program eligibility following the deadline and all qualifying applications have an equal chance of placement based on the above criteria. If the number of applications received exceeds the number of openings, a lottery will be held.

8. Is Limited Schools of Choice (Section 105/105c) available at all levels?

Annually, the District will assesses current and projected building enrollment along with budget constraints and staffing allocations to determine if a building or grade level will be open or closed to all incoming Schools of Choice students, including siblings of students already in attendance. **For the 2018-19 school year a Limited Schools of Choice option is available for up to five (5) openings at Northville High School for the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program.**

9. Is there sibling preference?

Should the Limited Schools of Choice program be continued in subsequent years, siblings will have a preference. Sibling preference exists ONLY if two siblings would be in attendance at the same school at the same time and the building is open as an Limited Schools of Choice option. If there are more sibling requests than space permits, a lottery will be held.

10. What is the order of placement for the three options?

In-District Open Enrollment applicants are placed first, followed by PA-227 applicants and then Section 105 /105c when that particular choice option is opened by the Board.

11. Will my child receive transportation?

Transportation is only provided to resident students who attend the school within their address boundary.

12. Will Limited Schools of Choice (Section 105/105c) guarantee my child's school assignments through all subsequent levels?

No. After completion of any given level (i.e., elementary, or middle), the administrative office responsible for PA 227 and Section 105/105c (if any) will determine the assigned school based upon current building enrollment, projected enrollment, budget constraints, and staffing.

13. If my student enrolls in the IB Diploma Program, will s/he be able to complete the Program if the District no longer offers Schools of Choice?

Yes. The student may continue and complete the program.

14. If my student enrolls in the IB Diploma Program, and elects to opt out of the Diploma Program, will s/he be able to continue at NHS?

No. The student was accepted specifically for enrollment in that program. Unless s/he continues in the Diploma Program, the student would no longer be eligible to attend NHS.

15. What if my child wants to go back to his/her home District?

It is desirable that a student who transfers pursuant to the Limited Schools of Choice (Section 105/105c) program remain at the selected school for that educational level (i.e., elementary, middle, or high). However, upon request, a Limited Schools of Choice student will be allowed to return to their home school (at the beginning of the next school year). Once returned to their home school, a student is ineligible to apply for Limited Schools of Choice at that level again.

16. If I am participating in the PA-227 option, and my employment status with Northville Public Schools ends, can my child continue to attend Northville Public Schools?

No. At the end of the current semester, the student must register in his/her home district.