
**CARROLL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS**

**POLICY JEA: STUDENTS ATTENDING SCHOOLS OUT-OF-ATTENDANCE AREAS
PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE (Part 2 of 2)**

I. Public School Choice

Only for Title I schools identified as “in-improvement”. Parents requesting a public school choice transfer must complete a Public School Choice Out-Of-District Request Form and submit it to the student’s school designated for the attendance area in which he/she resides (home School) by the deadline identified by the school. Parents shall list their school of choice, according to the options provided, in order of preference. Students approved for public school choice shall be provided transportation by Carroll County Public Schools.

II. Eligibility for Transfer

- A. All students enrolled in the Title 1 school identified as “in improvement” are eligible to apply for public school choice. Carroll County Public Schools will give priority to children with the greatest academic needs from low-income families.
- B. Carroll County Public Schools will use the following criteria for approving a public school choice transfer request for students who are enrolled in a school identified as “in-improvement” as well as for new students:
 - (a) Category 1 – Students who have demonstrated low academic achievement. Within this category, students who receive or are eligible to receive free and/or reduced price meals are given priority consideration.
 - (b) Category 2 – Students who are not low-achieving. Within this category, students who receive or are eligible to receive free and/or reduced price meals are given priority consideration.

III. Duration of Approval

Approved public school choice placements are valid until the student completes the highest grade level at the assigned school. Annual approval is not necessary. However, parents/guardians may request that their child return to the home school at any time.

IV. Transportation

Transportation to and from school shall be provided by Carroll County Public Schools until the school of origin successfully meets federal standards of adequate yearly progress. After such time, should a student remain in the approved out-of-district school, transportation to and from school shall be the responsibility of the parent/guardian.