



## Outstanding Schools Act: Frequently Asked Questions

### ENROLLMENT

*Q. Will school districts continue to tell families they are not accepting transfers?*

A. We hope not, but the only way to know for certain is to call and/or go to the desired district's headquarters and attempt to enroll.

*Q. Will a child be denied a transfer request if they have poor grades, behavior problems, or truancy issues?*

A. Districts are not allowed to deny enrollment for academic or behavior issues. However, if your child was expelled from their district or if the district took some other behavior action against your child, the new district may enforce that punishment if they choose.

*Q. Can my child transfer to a non-public school?*

A. Currently tuition and transportation at a private school will not be covered. This is something CEAM is interested in pursuing, but it will require a statute change and/or an adjustment to the Missouri Constitution.

*Q. Will my child be able to participate in athletic or other extracurricular activities?*

A. Yes, your child should be able to participate in these programs. You will need to inquire with individual districts to determine whether transportation to and from these events will be provided.

*Q. Is there an enrollment deadline if I'm wishing to transfer my children?*

A. The deadline has been set for February 3, at 4pm for the 2014-15 school year. You must turn in all the required documents to your home (sending) district by this time.

*Q. Will I have to re-enroll my child each year?*

A. Children should be allowed to stay in the new district as long as their home district remains unaccredited. If your home district becomes re-accredited your child will likely have to return to that district the school year following the reaccreditation.

*Q. What should I do if the district to which I wish to transfer my child tells me they are not accepting non-resident students?*

A. We sincerely hope this does not happen. However, if it does, please contact us at the CEAM office, 314-454-6544.

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*Q. When will the accredited district inform me that my child has been accepted?*

A. Education Plus has said that they will be notifying parents during the days of July 1-16, 2014 for the 2014-15 school year. If you do not hear from them by the 16<sup>th</sup> and you have turned in all the required documents and paperwork, please call the CEAM office ASAP. 314-454-6544

*Q. My child is on a wait list. How do they determine who will be picked first?*

A. We do not know what districts will do with the wait list, we suggest that you call back and try again as soon as possible. Do not count on the fact that you have been told that you will be placed on a wait list to hold your spot.

*Q. Will I be able to mail enrollment documents or do I need to go to the district?*

A. You will likely need to go to the district office. Feel free to call the district and ask before you make the trip to make certain.

*Q. Should parents apply for enrollment in more than one school?*

A. If there is more than one district in which you would like to enroll your child, we suggest you attempt to enroll your children until you are assured they have been accepted into at least one of your choices.



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