

A District of Choice

Hall County Schools offers a school choice program that makes a highly personalized education available to all of our in-district students. Currently families may enroll students in their neighborhood schools, choose to apply to magnet schools or programs of choice, or attend schools with available space as prescribed by House Bill 251. Hall County Schools offered choice for out-of-district students beginning in the 2014-2015 school year.

Applying to Hall County Schools:

Priority for school choice will be given to Hall County School District families who may apply for an in-district transfer from March 26 – April 18.

- 1. Out-of-district students may apply to be a HCSD student and once accepted, may apply to any Hall County school which continues to have space availability. The application period for out-of-district students will be April 23 May 16, 2018.
- 2. For an application to be considered, student transcript should show, at a minimum, satisfactory behavior and attendance, as well as average or above-average grades with no history of failing courses.
 - Acceptance is based on a competitive application process that includes:
 - Official Transcript (report card and standardized test scores) from the student's former school
 - Complete discipline records from student's former school(s)
 - Attendance records from student's former schools
 - Accepted out-of-district students pay tuition and, if applicable, AP/IB exam fees.

Schools with Programs of Choice:

- Priority for Programs of Choice will be given to Hall County School District families who apply during a November – February application period, depending on the specific program's application deadlines.
- o If a Program of Choice is filled to capacity with in-district students and has a waiting list of qualified in-district students, then it will not accept out-of-district applications.
- o If a Program of Choice has accepted all qualified in-district students and still has available space, then out-of-district students may apply and be accepted to a program of choice. However, final acceptance to Hall County Schools is contingent upon acceptance through the HCSD Out-of-District Application Process.
- A student may be accepted to a school, but not necessarily the Program of Choice, because there are additional eligibility criteria for each Program of Choice.