

**CHEROKEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Student Transfers and Reassignments**  
**SY2016-17**

The request “window” for SY2016-17 student transfers and reassignment process is opening on February 1<sup>st</sup>, and will remain open until March 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are interested in one of the five opportunities (as listed below), print/review the administrative guidelines and request form which accompany this notice; and, submit the (completed) request form to the student’s resident school within that time frame.

**Five Types of Student Transfers and Reassignments:**

1. **Open Transfer for Special Needs Students.** Passed in 2006, Georgia Law allows Special Needs students to transfer to non-overcrowded schools inside the School District or to other public or private institutions. This is what is commonly referred to as “Special Needs Scholarships.”
2. **Open Transfers for Non-Special Needs Students.** Passed in 2009, Georgia Law allows (all) students to transfer to non-overcrowded schools inside the School District.
3. **Transfers for Curricular Programs.** Current Policy allows students to be considered for transfer when their school does not offer a specifically-designed curricular program sought by student.
4. **Transfers for NCLB-Related School Choice Opportunities.** Current Policy allows students to be transferred when their school is required to offer “School Choice” under current No Child Left Behind designations. It has already been determined that NO NCLB School Choice Transfers are required for offerings by the School District SY2016-17.
5. **Hardship Reassignments.** Current Policy allows students to be considered for reassignments due to the following hardship conditions: medical/psychological hardship, graduating seniors who have moved, movement/displacement of the student by a Georgia/local agency, school near-the-workplace or daycare (elementary only), student has parent that is a full-time School District employee.

**Note relative to choice transfer to an Elementary Academy:** *If parents have questions regarding potential enrollment in one of the School District’s six elementary STEM or FINE ARTS ACADEMIES for SY2016-17, please contact those schools directly. We can, however, notify you that the application process will begin after the reassignment/transfer window has closed. In this regard, applications for Academy enrollment will be made available via the CCSD website beginning on March 11, 2016. The window for parents to submit these applications will be open for three weeks between March 16 - April 1, 2016.*