



News

from the MNPS Public Information Office

Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools

Media Inquiries: 615/259-8405

Contact: Olivia Brown
Noelle Mashburn

NCLB Choice for parents

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (Aug. 12, 2009) – Parents of children enrolled in MNPS schools that receive Title I funding and have been identified as high priority by No Child Left Behind guidelines are now being given the opportunity to transfer their child(ren) to a school that is in Good Standing. Letters explaining NCLB Public School Choice have been mailed to all families affected.

Parents of students registered at schools identified as School Improvement I, School Improvement II, Corrective Action, and Restructuring and Reconstitution can choose for their child(ren) to attend one of the schools designated as Choice for their child(ren). Parents may also choose for their child(ren) to remain in the current school and receive SES (Supplemental Education Services) tutoring. Either decision must be made and submitted to the district by 5:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 28. Parents who have turned in an NCLB Choice Application will then receive an acceptance letter via U.S. Postal Service. Parents must complete and return the acceptance later to MNPS by Tuesday, Sept. 8. Students whose parents complete this two-step process will report to their school of choice Monday, Sept. 14. Transportation is provided for all families to elect who attend an NCLB school of choice via MNPS transportation, MTA bus passes (high schools), or parent reimbursement for mileage.

Students currently enrolled in the following schools are eligible for choice:

High Priority Title I Schools:

Amqui Elementary
Antioch High School
Bailey Middle
Brick Church Middle
Chadwell Elementary
Charlotte Park Elementary
Gra-Mar Middle
Hattie Cotton Elementary
Jere Baxter Middle
John Early Paideia Middle
J.T. Moore Middle
Lakeview Elementary
Margaret Allen Middle
McGavock High School
Stratford High School
Whitsitt Elementary

Schools Offered as Choice Transfer Options:

Stratton (ELL) / Gateway
Overton HS / Pearl-Cohn HS / Cane Ridge (9-11)
Neely's Bend MS / KIPP Academy
Haynes / Smithson-Craighead / Neely's Bend (ELL ONLY)
Dan Mills / Bellshire
Sylvan Park / Cumberland
Dupont Hadley / Smithson-Craighead Middle Academy
Dan Mills / Inglewood (ELL)
Haynes MS / KIPP Academy
H. G. Hill / LEAD Academy
Rose Park MS / W.A. Bass MS
Hickman / Paragon Mills, 5th Graders = Donelson / Mt. View
Two Rivers MS / Dupont Tyler MS
Maplewood HS / Pearl-Cohn HS
East Literature HS / Cane Ridge (9-11) / Overton HS
Glenclyff Elem. / Hickman

NCLB Public School Choice also has a spring offering each year, which notifies families of students attending schools designated as High Priority from the previous year's test scores. Families attending the following schools were notified Spring 2009 of their 2009-2010 school choices. Only students new to MNPS in the fall of 2009 and zoned to one of the following schools will also be eligible to access NCLB Public School Choice. The Spring 2009 NCLB School Choice list includes:

Spring High Priority Title I Schools:

Antioch Middle
Apollo Middle
Cameron Middle
Glenclyff High School
Hillsboro High School
Isaac Litton Middle
Napier Elementary
Tusculum Elementary
West End Middle
Whites Creek High School
Wright Middle

Schools Offered as Choice Transfer Options:

Oliver MS / Croft Design
Oliver MS / Donelson MS
Rose Park MS / W. A. Bass MS
East Literature HS / Cane Ridge (9-11) / Overton HS
Pearl-Cohn HS / Overton HS
Haynes Health/Med.Sci. / Dupont Hadley Middle
Ruby Major Elem. / Hickman Elem.
Shayne Elem. / Granbery Elem. / Crieve Hall (ELL)
W. A. Bass MS / Rose Park MS
Hunter's Lane HS / Cane Ridge (9-11) / Overton HS
Oliver MS / LEAD Academy

SES, or Supplemental Educational Services, is a tutoring service provided by agencies outside the school system approved by the State Department of Education. These companies will provide tutoring to students before or after school, as well as on the weekends in the areas of reading/language arts, and/or math depending on your child's needs.

These tutoring services are provided at no cost families. Students can receive \$1451 in tutoring services this year that the district will pay for out of federal NCLB funds. (2009-2010 per pupil allocation, determined by the State Department of Education yearly).

Each SES Provider offers differing programs, subject areas, time frames, and group sizes in an effort to meet each child's specific needs and family schedule. SES is available to students only through their zoned school and is available to students based on greatest need. Twenty-nine SES providers have been approved by the state to serve students during the 2009-2010 school year. For a complete list, contact the MNPS Customer Service Center at 259-INFO (4636), visit the MNPS website at www.mnps.org, or contact the school office.

NCLB Public School of Choice and SES tutoring are federal requirements. School districts must provide all eligible families with school choices and students must be enrolled at school of choice prior to an Oct. 1 deadline.

Metro Nashville Public Schools provide a range of educational opportunities to more than 75,000 students in Nashville and Davidson County. The governing body for MNPS is the Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County Board of Public Education, a nine-member group elected by residents of Metropolitan Nashville. For more information, please visit www.mnps.org.