

INDIAN LAKE LOCAL SCHOOLS
INTERDISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT PROGRAM
GUIDELINES

Application Procedures

Applications for participation in the Interdistrict Open Enrollment Program may be obtained at 6210 SR 235 North, Lewistown, Ohio. One application shall be submitted for each student who requests such a transfer. The completed application shall be submitted to the office of the Superintendent of Indian Lake Local Schools. Once a student is accepted into the school district, the student shall initiate enrollment procedures.

Time Line

- May 1 Application forms are available at the Superintendent's office, 6210 SR 235 North.
(south addition of high school building)
- May 1 First day to file completed applications at the Superintendent's office, 6210 SR 235 North.
Each application will be numbered by date and time filed.
- October 1 Deadline to apply

Selection Criteria

1. Students, who reside in the state of Ohio are eligible to participate in the Interdistrict Open Enrollment Program.
2. Students with prior year participation in the program will have first consideration.
3. Students, whose application is accompanied by a recommendation of the superintendent of his/her school district because of a special need, will have next consideration.
4. Student applications will be dated when filed. Available classroom spaces will be filled based upon a "first come first served" basis after students with a higher priority are approved.
5. All approvals are on an annual basis and must be re-approved in accordance with the Interdistrict Open Enrollment Program criteria.
6. Applications may be rejected if the racial balance of either the sending or receiving school district would be negatively impacted.
7. Student selection shall not restrict consideration because of athletic, artistic, academic or extracurricular ability, handicapping conditions, language barriers, or disciplinary conditions other than those provided in Section 3313.98 (c) (4) of the O.R.C.

Assignment Criteria

1. Applications of non-resident students will be considered providing grade, building and program class size balances can be maintained. Classroom capacity is defined as not to exceed twenty-five (25) students, K-12. Special Education K-12 capacity is defined as 75% of maximum capacity. Building capacity will be defined by the number of available teachers and classroom spaces. Program capacity will be defined by state and board established capacities for that program.
2. Native students shall always have first consideration in course, program or school assignment.
3. The Indian Lake Local School District is not required to add staff, courses of study, or special education units to accommodate transferred students.
4. Enrollment in a special program i.e. gifted, special education, etc., will dictate the building to which a student shall be assigned.
5. No student, once accepted by Indian Lake Local School District into the program, shall be displaced should enrollment exceed the limits stated above.

Discipline

Students suspended and/or expelled by an adjacent district for the (10) consecutive days or more during the present or preceding semester for which application has been made shall not be eligible to participate in the Interdistrict Open Enrollment Program.

Transportation

Transportation for students participating in the Interdistrict Open Enrollment Program, shall be the responsibility of the parent or guardian of the student unless the student can be picked up and dropped off at a stop on a regular transportation schedule of the Indian Lake Local Schools.

Athletic Eligibility

Student athletes who transfer to participating districts through the Interdistrict Open Enrollment Program are subject to the Ohio High School Athletic Association By-Laws governing athletic eligibility.

Waiver of Deadline

Superintendents of local, state, and exempted school districts may waive the deadline if it's in the student's best interest. The waiver must be mutually agreeable.