

WAUKEGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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DATE: Jan. 27, 2010

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FROM: Judith M. Green

RE: 2009-2010 NCLB CHOICE Transfer Information

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NCLB CHOICE applications were mailed out August 8, 2008 to nearly 8,027 parents who have students in Grades K-8 presently attending one of the thirteen schools on NCLB status (Carman, Clearview, Glen Flora, Hyde Park, Little Fort, Lyon, North, Oakdale, Abbott, Benny, Juarez, Jefferson and Webster).

A total of 167 requests for transfer under the NCLB CHOICE program were received. There were a total of 56 seats available that matched the requests made for four elementary receiving schools (Clark, Cooke, Greenwood, Washington). None of our middle schools qualify as a receiving school since all are on the NCLB status list; thus, no transfers were possible at the 6-8 grade levels. We offer transfer when the school of choice had a space available in the correct grade level with the instructional program needed by each student (ie: If Lyon, school requested, has space in a grade one/ level one bilingual program, and this is what the student requires, then the transfer is honored).

	K				1 st				2 nd				3 rd				4 th				5 th			
School	M	F	P	S	M	F	P	S	M	F	P	S	M	F	P	S	M	F	P	S	M	F	P	S
Clark	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	5	1	0	1	7	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Cooke	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Greenwood	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total seats available:	7	3	0	1	3	0	0	0	6	1	0	1	14	0	0	1	7	0	0	1	6	0	0	0

Parents were first notified by phone of transfer availability, so arrangements could begin. The student transfer letters were sent out on August 17, 2009 based on the space availability report provided July 29, 2010 by the Student Support Office. Parents had until August 21st to refuse the transfer they earlier requested. We did have 5 parents refuse the transfer they had requested once the transfer was offered.

A large percentage of the transfer requests could not be honored due to parents choosing schools that did not have the instructional program needed or seat availability at the appropriate grade level. There were a large number of requests in primary grades and very few seats were available regardless of instructional program.

There were 56 requests granted; 5 of these cancelled their request and decided to remain in their original placement. Thus, a total of **51 students** were transferred with the NCLB CHOICE program. See table below for number of students transferring from each choice school:

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School	K	1	2	3	4	5	Grades 6-8	Total		
Clearview	5	2	4	8	2	3		24		
Glen Flora	4	1	2	3	4	2		16		
Little Fort	4	1	1	2	2	1		11		
No MS receiving	0	0	0	0	0	0	had no transfers	0		
schools							option			

M=Mono. F=Bilingual ½ P=Bilingual ¾ S=Spec. Ed.

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Mission Statement

"Educating students for the world of tomorrow is our top priority. Through mobilization of the entire community, we will challenge, teach, and inspire our students. We will provide the resources to serve each of our students, expecting excellence from all involved. We will deliver an exciting education in a safe environment that celebrates our diversity and similarities in a spirit of unity and respect."