

Interdistrict Transfer of Resident Students

(Students transferring out of Medford School District 549C)

1. Interdistrict Transfer Requests. The following procedures will govern consideration of a request by a parent or guardian of a resident student who is requesting approval from the district to attend school in a district other than the district pursuant to an interdistrict transfer agreement:
 - a. A parent or guardian will request consent for the transfer of his/her student by submitting an interdistrict transfer application, on a form designated by the district, to the district for approval and release of the student.
 - b. The superintendent, or the superintendent's designee, will review the interdistrict transfer application to determine whether, in the reasonable determination of the superintendent or the superintendent's designee, it meets the criteria established in Board policy JECF - Interdistrict Transfer of Resident Students. The superintendent, or the superintendent's designee, shall have authority to determine whether circumstances exist which would constitute an emergency necessitating a resident student being allowed to transfer out of the district to protect the health, safety or welfare of the student. The superintendent, or the superintendent's designee, shall also have authority to determine whether a student has demonstrated evidence of the existence of a hardship, as may be described in any administrative rules adopted by the Oregon Department of Education, justifying enrollment of the student in a school other than a school within the district. The parent or guardian of a student claiming an emergency or hardship shall present evidence of such emergency or hardship to the superintendent, or the superintendent's designee, in writing as part of the interdistrict transfer application.
 - c. The superintendent, or the superintendent's designee, shall thereafter notify the parent or guardian, in writing, of his/her decision. If consent for the transfer is denied, the notice will state the specific reasons for denial and will contain a statement that the parent or guardian has the right to appeal the denial to the Board by sending a written request for a hearing to the superintendent or the superintendent's designee.
 - d. The transfer request must be approved by both the district and the receiving school district before the student will be permitted to enroll in the receiving district, with the exception that a resident student that previously received consent from the district to be admitted to the receiving district under an interdistrict transfer shall not be required to obtain consent from the district more than once.
2. Transfers To Comply with No Child Left Behind Act. In the event a resident student's school is identified by the Oregon Department of Education as persistently dangerous, or if the student has been the victim of a violent criminal offense while in or on the grounds of the student's school, a transfer to a different school within the district to comply with the safe public school choice requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act will be considered first, as provided in Board policy JECB - District Admission of Nonresident Students. In the event there is not another school in the district for the student to transfer to, the district may develop an agreement with a neighboring district to accept transfer students. The development of such agreements is at the discretion of the district. Transfer approval will be in accordance with established Board policy and administrative regulations, and must be to a safe school.