

House Bill 251 Public School Choice

Under a new law signed by Governor Perdue, parents of K-12 public school students in Georgia now have the option to enroll their child in any school within the local school district in which they now reside.

The law itself has three distinct features:

- A parent/guardian can elect to send a child to another public school in the same school district as long as there is classroom space available at the school after its assigned students have been enrolled;
- If a parent elects to exercise this choice option, the parent assumes all costs associated with transporting the child to and from the selected school; and
- A student who transfers to another school pursuant to this law may, at his or her election, continue to attend such school until the student completes all grades of the school.

Impact on Rabun County Schools:

Only applies to Rabun Gap Community School and South Rabun Elementary School

Transfer requests must be submitted by July 31.

Transfer Request Forms may be picked up at the Rabun County Board of Education office.

For more information about HB 251, contact Melissa Williams at 706-212-4350.