

## STUDENTS

### In-District Transfers - Attendance Boundaries (Resident Students)

Kennewick School District is committed to maintaining equity in the quality of education in all schools and recognizes the importance of neighborhood schools. Students are assigned to attendance area schools according to Board-adopted geographic boundaries. A student's legal residence, for attendance purposes, determines their attendance area school.

Although school boundaries are established, parents may request an in-district transfer to allow their child to attend another school in the district. An in-district transfer may be requested for students enrolled in special programs provided that appropriate services and program space are available at the requested school. The district will establish procedures for accepting or denying in-district transfer requests.

Students who are enrolled in an attendance area school and change physical residence during the school year will be allowed to attend that school through the end of the year and will be required to request an in-district transfer to continue attending.

Once an in-district transfer is approved, the student will remain a student at the requested school unless the parent provides notice of intent to return to the attendance area school or requests transfer to another district school. High school students who request school transfer are subject to the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association's eligibility rules.

Each year by February 15, the district will establish space limitations for individual classes and grade levels at each building, beyond which, no incoming transfer student will be added. Should a student be granted a request to enroll outside of their attendance area school, the parents and district agree to continue the student until the student completes the highest grade at that level (elementary, middle, or high school) unless otherwise noted in this policy. Requests for continued enrollment will not be necessary unless there is a change in boundaries. When attendance area boundaries change, all resident transfers will be rescinded for the school year the boundary change takes effect and a new transfer request will be required.

Transfers will be granted based on established criteria outlined in Procedure 3132.

The district will not provide transportation for students transferring outside their attendance area school unless otherwise arranged.

Falsifying information, documents, or the failure to notify the district of changes in district resident status may result in the student(s) being withdrawn and returned to their attendance areas school. The student(s) will not be eligible to re-apply for transfer for one calendar year from the date of withdrawal from the Kennewick School District.

All transfer requests will be subject to resident transfer criteria; the prior attendance of a student or a student's sibling(s) does not guarantee an in-district transfer will be accepted.

Extracurricular Eligibility

Eligibility for interscholastic activities for transfer students will be subject to rules adopted by the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association (WIAA). These rules are intended to discourage school shopping by athletes and recruiting by schools and can be found in R 3132.

The district will provide information regarding attendance area transfer options on the district website.

Appeals

Requests denied due to lack of space are not subject to appeal. If the request for a resident student transfer is denied for reasons other than space, the principal will notify the parent or guardian the reason for the denial of transfer and the right to appeal to the superintendent /designee. The decision of the superintendent/designee shall be final.

Legal Reference:	RCW <a href="#">28A.225.270</a>	Intradistrict enrollment options policies.
	RCW <a href="#">28A.225.280</a>	Transfer students' eligibility for extracurricular activities.
	RCW <a href="#">28A.225.300</a>	Enrollment options information to parents.

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