

EVERY STUDENT FUTURE READY

**P5506: Non-Resident Enrollment & Admission
2025-26 Implementation Process
Board of Education ~ April 7, 2025**

Department of Choice Enrollment and Programs

- **Centralized process** for open enrollment and transfers
- **Reduces workload** for principals and school staff
- **Provides families a single point of contact**
- **Ensures consistency and transparency** across all schools
- **Improves customer service and access to school options**
- **Strengthens school planning, staffing, and resources**
- **Promotes WPS as a top choice** for students and families

Kansas Law (K.S.A. 72-3123)

- Requires school boards to allow non-resident (out of district) students to enroll in district schools.
- Only applicable if the district determines there are open seats for such students.
- Defines basic process districts should follow.
- Identifies a deadline of May 1st for BOEs to approve number of seats to be made available to non-resident students.

P5506: Non-Resident Enrollment

- An update to policy was approved by the BOE on November 13, 2023 to meet the requirements of K.S.A. 72-3123. Updated Feb. 2025.
- Policy defines the criteria, timeline, and process district administration will follow.
- Available seats must be published by grade level for each school for grades K-8 and by school for 9-12.

P5506 Implementation Considerations

- Approval is needed tonight because this is the last BOE meeting before May 1.
- Determining available seats for non-resident students has been challenging due to high mobility rates, internal special transfers and parent/staff choice.
- Non-resident students interested in magnet schools will follow the magnet application process.

Non-Resident Seats Available

Elementary School

Grade Level →	KG	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	TOTAL
Non-Resident Open Seats	101	100	86	88	106	96	577

Middle School

Grade Level →	6 th	7 th	8 th	TOTAL
Non-Resident Open Seats	29	29	29	87

High School

Grade Level →	9 th -12 th	TOTAL
Non-Resident Open Seats	30	30

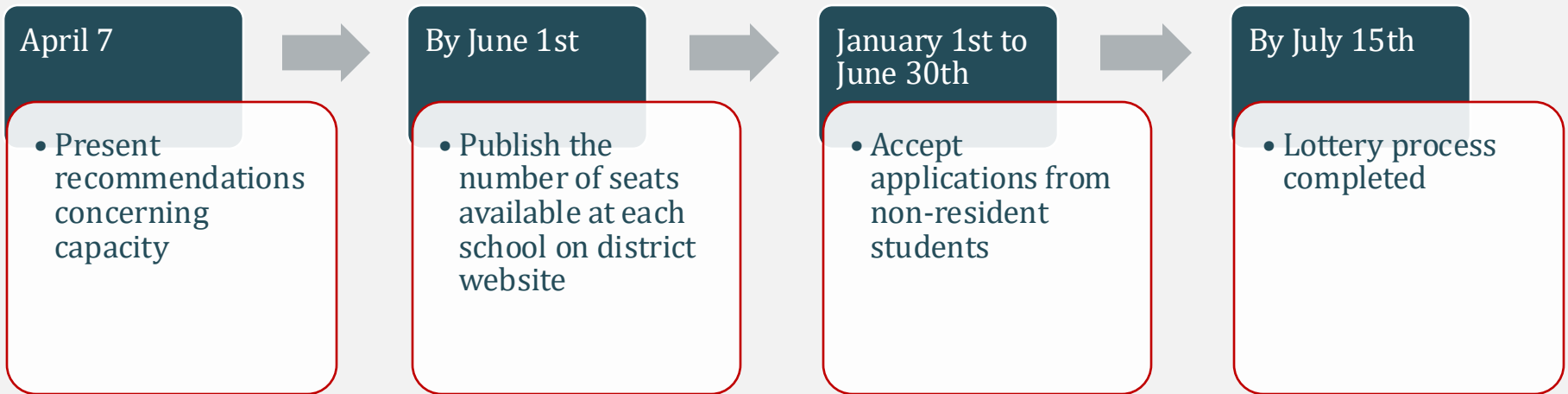
Detailed Vacancies by School (Example)

Elementary Non-Magnet Seats Available 25-26 School Year

	KG	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Total Capacity	Projected Students	Total Open Seats
Adams	6	1	1	0	6	7	396	375	21
Allen	0	0	7	7	0	2	440	424	16
Anderson	7	5	0	4	1	0	440	423	17
Beech	5	6	1	4	1	0	506	489	17
Benton	0	6	4	0	4	0	264	250	14
Caldwell	1	1	2	4	0	4	440	428	12
Cessna	2	8	0	0	4	3	374	357	17
Chisholm Trail	4	6	8	1	7	3	396	367	29
Cloud	2	0	4	0	0	0	462	456	6
College Hill	0	1	0	4	5	4	330	316	14
Colvin	7	2	0	4	9	7	528	499	29
Enterprise	3	6	1	5	0	5	396	376	20

5506 Implementation Timeline & Process

2025-26 School Year



Other Considerations

- Out of district students already enrolled DO NOT need to reapply.
- Magnet application process and timelines will remain the same.
- Out of district enrollment can be revoked at the end of the school year if student is not in good standing.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Board of Education approve the seat capacity presented this evening in accordance with Kansas Law **K.S.A. 72-3123.**