



## **SCHOOL CHOICE**

### **Secondary Programming Changes**

Families interested in participating in the School Choice program this winter (closing January 14) for the 2026-2027 school year should consider the following changes in Red Clay's secondary school programming:

- **Thomas McKean High School will be reimagined as the Thomas McKean Innovation Campus.** In August 2027, the flagship campus will provide Career and Technical Education (CTE) programming, industry-standard credentialing coursework, and early college credit opportunities through expanded partnerships with the business community and local colleges/universities.
- **The number of comprehensive high school attendance-zone schools will be reduced from three to two:** Alexis I. du Pont High School and The John Dickinson School, allowing for increased enrollment and more robust academic and extracurricular offerings. Short shuttle bus transportation would be provided from Alexis I du Pont High School and The John Dickinson School to the McKean Innovation Campus.
- **To accommodate increased high school enrollment at The John Dickinson School,** the Middle Years International Baccalaureate Program will relocate from The John Dickinson School to Skyline Middle School, thereby achieving a more balanced enrollment across Red Clay schools.

**Students who were to attend Thomas McKean High School in 2027-2028** and beyond will attend either Alexis I. du Pont High School or The John Dickinson School based on new attendance-zones to be established in May of 2026. Additionally, this transition will impact two choice programs: The Middle Years International Baccalaureate Program, currently located at The John Dickinson School, and the Early College Academy, currently located at McKean High School.

**If you select the Middle Years International Baccalaureate Program** during this school choice window, the program will begin at The John Dickinson School during the 2026-2027 school year before transitioning to Skyline Middle School for the 2027-2028 school year and beyond.

**If you select the Early College Academy Program** at Thomas McKean High School during this school choice window, the program will begin at Thomas McKean High School during the 2026-2027 school year before transitioning to Alexis I du Pont High School for the 2027-2028 school year and beyond.

Families participating in the Middle Years International Baccalaureate Program or the Early College Academy (McKean) during the 2026-2027 school year will automatically transition to the new locations for the 2027-2028 school year and beyond. During the transition, families may also choose to attend their attendance-zone school or apply to other schools and programs using the school choice application.

Please contact the School Choice Office with any questions or concerns (302-552-3789).