ACADEMY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Academy Transfer Application

Frequently Asked Questions

What grade levels are eligible for Transfer consideration?
Student applications will be accepted for kindergarten through 12th grade.

How does the Transfer work?
Parents of a child living outside AISD must complete an application form and submit it to the district. The district will establish an enrollment period during which a limited number of applications will be accepted. Once an application is received, an Application Review Committee will evaluate it and determine whether the student's application will be approved.

Is there a tuition charge or fee for non-resident students?
Yes. There is a transfer fee of $600 per year for 1 child, $900 per year for 2 children, and $1,000 per year for 3 or more children.

When is the next Transfer Application period?
Transfer Applications open early in the spring semester.

Where can I get an Transfer Application form?
The Transfer Application will be posted on the District website under Parents & Community - Transfer Information.

Will district transportation be provided for my child?
No. Parents of children who enroll through the transfer application are responsible for transporting their children to and from school in Academy ISD.

My child participates in the University Interscholastic League (U.I.L.) activities at his current school. Will he/she be eligible to continue participating in Academy ISD?
Students who participate in U.I.L. academic and music events will be eligible to participate in Academy ISD (as long as the student is eligible under U.I.L. general eligibility requirements). However, non-resident students participating in **varsity** athletics may require additional review per UIL in order to participate.

Once a student is allowed into the district through a transfer application, how long can he or she stay?
Transfer applications are accepted on an annual basis. This means that a transfer application will need to be submitted each school year for each child. A student's enrollment history within the district will be considered by the Review Committee when determining acceptance of transfer each year.

Are siblings of a student automatically accepted into the district?

It depends. Siblings are held to the same criteria for enrollment as the first student. In addition, there could be a scenario where space is not available in all grade levels of multiple siblings.

What if a student who enrolls through the Transfer Application repeatedly violates district rules?
Board Policy FDA (LOCAL) states that students must follow all rules and regulations of the district. It goes on to state that violations of the terms of the agreement may result in a transfer request not being approved the following year.

Will the district need to add more teachers if more students are enrolled?
In some cases, yes, but in many cases, no. We identify schools and grade levels that have space available to add more students. In grades kindergarten through four, the state allows a maximum student - teacher ratio of 22:1. However, there is no such requirement for other grade levels. Thus, in grades 5-12, a limited number of students could be added in existing classes without requiring additional teachers.

How long will Transfer Application opportunities be continued?
The district's policy on Transfer Applications [Board Policy FDA (LOCAL)] states that the Superintendent "shall consider availability of space and instructional staff…" If there is not space available or instructional staff available, then the Superintendent may choose to not accept transfers based on these factors alone.

If you have further questions, contact the Academy ISD Administration office at 254-982-4304.