

2026-2027 SCHOOL CHOICE GOOD CAUSE AFFIDAVIT

In order to apply for grades 1-12 School Choice consideration after the January state deadline, a prospective applicant **must** meet one of the following “Good Cause” criteria. The Caesar Rodney School District requires that this “Good Cause” Affidavit be completed and submitted to the School Choice Office at the Caesar Rodney District Office. Once this affidavit has been submitted, we will determine if the criterion checked and the accompanying explanation meets the provisions of “Good Cause.” If Good Cause is accepted there **must be available space in the school requested** for the student. The prospective applicant will be notified once that determination has been made. The parent of the student will receive an invitation letter with a Parent Verification to be signed by the parent by the date specified in the invitation letter and returned to the district office for the student to be considered School Choice. If the prospective applicant’s Good Cause reason is not accepted, the applicant’s parents will be notified by the School Choice office. Please note that acceptance of the Good Cause Affidavit does not mean that the School Choice Application will be approved.

**According to the Delaware Code (State Law), “Good Cause” shall mean:
(Check one and provide an explanation below.)**

_____ **Current change in a child’s residence due to a change in parent’s/guardian’s residence** (Required documentation includes proof(s) of a new residence. (ie. A current signed copy of the lease or rental agreement with the parent’s name on it or current settlement statement or mortgage statement with the parent(s) name on it.)

_____ **Current change in the state in which the family residence is located (move into the state of DE)** (Required documentation includes two (2) proofs of a new residence.)

_____ **Current change in a child’s parent’s marital status (recent)**
(Attach supporting documentation which includes the date of the change)

_____ **Current change caused by a guardianship proceeding (recent)** (Attach final court order)

_____ **Placement of a child in foster care** (Attach supporting documentation which includes the date of the change)

_____ **Adoption** (Attach supporting documentation including date of change)

_____ **Participation by a child in a foreign exchange program** (Attach dated supporting documentation)

_____ **Participation by a child in a substance abuse or mental health treatment program**
(Attach a letter from your child’s mental health professional with their medical recommendation.)

_____ **Set of circumstances consistent with this definition of Good Cause**
(You must attach a signed letter from a parent/guardian to explain in detail the reason for failure to meet the state-regulated deadline.)

**The following MUST be submitted with the Good Cause Affidavit Form
or the affidavit will be considered incomplete:**

- **A detailed explanation (letter) for the above “Good Cause” reason.**
- **Copy of proof of residency** Acceptable proof of residency is a current mortgage or lease, rental agreement, with parent’s name and address on it and DE license if active duty military a state ID with current address)

