Coloma Community Schools

David Ehlers, Superintendent of Schools

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Dear Parent / Guardian,

Thank you for your interest in Coloma Community Schools. The application(s) you requested are enclosed. Coloma Community Schools is a "Schools of Choice" school district. This means that students who live in the Berrien County ISD, Van Buren County ISD or Cass ISD may apply for admission to Coloma Schools without having to receive permission from their resident district. Students who are accepted under the "Schools of Choice" program may attend Coloma Schools without any tuition charge. Students admitted under the "Schools of Choice" program for 2026-2027 may re-enroll each year thereafter, and will be given a preference for any openings over other non-residents applying for the first time. In addition, the district will give a preference for enrollment to other school age children residing in the same household with any "Schools of Choice" student who attended a district school during the preceding year.

APPLICATION DATES & PROCESS

The School of Choice application periods for the 2026- 2027 school year are:
Young 5s & Kindergarten: May 4th - 18th, 2026 & July 20th, 2026 – August 3rd, 2026
Grades 1st – 11th : May 4th - 18th, 2026 & July 20th, 2026 – August 3rd, 2026
There are NO openings for the 12th Grade and a minimum of 1 seat per grade level.
All applicants will be notified via USPS within 15 days of application period closing.

PLEASE RETURN:

1. The completed School of Choice application (front & back).
2. A copy of the students most recent report card or transcript. If you include the original, it will be returned to you once we've made a copy. **Including this documentation will help expedite the application process.**

Applicants will be notified by mail regarding acceptance / denial into the program. Letters for accepted applicants will also include information on completing enrollment, class registration and/or orientation. The first day of school for the 2026-27 school year is Monday, August 31, 2026.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation to and from school is the responsibility of the parent/guardian for Schools of Choice students.

ATHLETICS

Student athletes in grades 9th through 11th should be aware of Michigan High School Athletic Association (M.H.S.A.A.) regulations involving "Schools of Choice" transfers. All "Schools of Choice" student athletes should contact the Athletic Director, at 269-468-2405 for a more detailed explanation on their status concerning eligibility under the M.H.S.A.A.

If you have further questions regarding the "Schools of Choice" program, please feel free to contact my office at
269-468-2424.

Sincerely,
David A. Ehlers
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