COVINA-VALLEY DISTRICT OF CHOICE PROGRAM 2027-28

Frequently Asked Questions & Answers

1. When will District of Choice (DOC) applications be available?

District of Choice applications will be available from October 16, 2026, to December 18, 2026.

Note: The District Office closes for winter break December 18, 2026, and reopens on January 4, 2027. DOC applications MUST be postmarked on or before December 18, 2026.

2. Where can I get an application?

Applications will be available at the District Office located at 519 E. Badillo St., Covina. You may pick up an application between 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM (until noon on Dec. 18, 2026). Applications will also be available to print on the Covina-Valley Unified School District (C-VUSD) Website at www.c-vusd.org. If your child already attends a school in Covina-Valley on an Inter-District transfer you may fill out a DOC application.

3. Will C-VUSD accept applications from any district?

No! We cannot accept applications for students from the following districts: Pomona USD, Rowland USD, Charter Oak USD, or Azusa USD.

4. When are applications due?

Applications are due no later than December 18, 2026. After October 16, 2026, all applications need to be mailed with a postmark no later than December 18, 2026. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE WILL NOT BE PROCESSED. ADDITIONALLY, DUPLICATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.

5. Will there be a lottery drawing?

If we receive more applications than we have seats available for a particular grade level, a random drawing will be held at C-VUSD in January 2027. Priority will be given to students with siblings already in attendance in C-VUSD, children of military service members, and students on free/reduced price meals. You do not need to be present at this meeting.

6. When will parents know if they have been accepted under DOC? Do I need to notify my home district?

Parent notification will be mailed out to all applicants by the first week in February 2027. C-VUSD will notify your home district.

Note: If you do not receive notification in the mail by the end of the first week in February, please call the Student Services at (626) 974-7000. If your child is not approved under DOC this year, we encourage you to apply for an Inter-District transfer from your home district.

7. Does each child in the family need a separate application?

Yes, parents need to complete an application for each child.

8. If I currently have another child attending C-VUSD under DOC in a previous year, do my other children automatically enter C-VUSD on a DOC status?

No. Each child in the family must apply and be accepted separately. Example: You have a child about to enter Kindergarten who already has a sibling in the C-VUSD enrolled via DOC. You must still submit an application for the Kindergartener.

9. When will I know my child's school site assignment? Are we allowed to pick the schools?

DOC approved applicants will be provisionally assigned to a school site by the end of March 2027. The assignments are based on available seats, and determined by the District Office. New District of Choice students who have a current IEP should bring a copy of that IEP as well as the student's psycho-educational assessment to Student Services in the district office no later than February 26, 2027. We will utilize that IEP/assessment to determine the best placement for your child.

10. Can I mail in my application?

Yes, the application can be returned by U.S. Mail to: C-VUSD/Student Services/DOC/519 E. Badillo St., Covina, CA 91723, and must be postmarked no later than December 18, 2026.

11. Do I have to re-submit an application every year?

No. Students maintain enrollment in C-VUSD through the life of the DOC statute. However, if you move within the C-VUSD, you will lose your DOC status and enroll as a resident. As well, if you remove your child from our district and enroll elsewhere, your student will lose his/her DOC status.