



**Georgia Department of Education
House Bill 251 (2009) – Public School Choice Transfer
Annual School Choice Parent Notification Letter**

Date: July 1, 2014

RE: Public School Choice for the FY '15 School Year

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As the parent or guardian of a student currently enrolled in our school district, we are writing to notify you that under a new state law you may request to transfer your child to another public school in the Sumter County School District for the upcoming school year.

Parent Responsibilities

As a parent or guardian, you can request to have your child transferred to another public school within your school district of residence as long as the school district has determined that there is available classroom space at the school after all assigned students have been enrolled. Please keep in mind that if you choose to transfer your child to another school in the district, the law requires you to assume all costs and responsibilities related to the transportation of your child to and from the school as long as your child remains at that school.

For your convenience, the district's list of schools with available classroom space for the upcoming school year is attached. In order to process your request, you will need to complete and submit the attached "Transfer Request Form." Requests for transfers will not be accepted after the close of business on July 21, 2014.

Transfer requests will be reviewed and approved or denied on the basis of a lottery in the event a particular school has available space and the number of transfer requests exceeds the remaining available capacity. Once available classroom space is reached at a school, no more transfers will be accepted at that school. Since it is possible that you may not receive your first choice, you may indicate more than one choice on the enclosed Transfer Request Form.

If you have questions regarding this, please contact:

Name: Ms. Gayla Braziel _____ Title: Director of Federal Programs/Pupil Support Services
Email: gbraziel@sumterschools.org _____ Phone: (229) – 931-8525 _____

Thank you,

Mr. Donnie Smith, Superintendent



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Public School Choice Framework**

**Sumter County School District
List of Schools with Space for Public School Choice**

Elementary School(s) with capacity (by grade):

Grade	Sumter County Primary School
K	No available classroom space
1	No available classroom space
2	No available classroom space

Grade	Sarah Cobb Elementary School
K	No available classroom space
1	No available classroom space
2	Classroom space available
3	No available classroom space
4	No available classroom space

Grade	Sumter County Elementary School
3	No available classroom space
4	Classroom space available
5	Classroom space available

Middle School(s):

Grade	Staley Middle School
5	Classroom space available
6	Classroom space available
7	Classroom space available
8	Classroom space available

Middle School(s):

Grade	Sumter County Middle School
6	Classroom space available
7	Classroom space available
8	Classroom space available

High School(s):

Grade	Americus-Sumter High School - North and South Campus
9	No choice option available
10	No choice option available
11	No choice option available
12	No choice option available



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Parent Request for School Transfer

Under a 2009 state law (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-2131), parents may request a transfer to another public school within their local school district. If you want to request a transfer, please complete the information below.

Parents: please complete this form and mail it to:

Name: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

Parent Transfer Request Form (Parents Must Complete)

Student Information:

Date: _____ Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age: _____

Name of Custodial Parent or Guardian requesting transfer: _____

Home Address: _____
Street City State Zip

E-Mail (if available): _____ Phone: _____

The student is currently zoned to attend _____ (school) in the _____ school year.

Parent Request for School Transfer

I _____ (parent/guardian) am requesting a transfer for _____ (student's legal name) to attend one of the following other schools in the district. I fully understand that my child may only receive my first choice of schools if space is available at the time this request is approved by the local school district.

Parent/Guardian Ranked List of Schools for Transfer (where more than one school is available).

- 1) _____
2) _____
3) _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____