Germantown Municipal School District			
Monitoring:  Review: Annually,	Descriptor Term:  Transfers Within the System	Descriptor Code: <b>6.206</b>	Issued Date: <b>08/31/15</b>
in August		Rescinds:	Issued:

- 1 The Germantown Municipal School District Board believes in the overall quality for all of its schools.
- 2 The Board also believes that parents, who are Germantown citizens, may have particular preferences
- 3 for which school(s) they want their children to be enrolled.
- 4 The Superintendent shall permit any eligible student in the Germantown Municipal School District to
- 5 apply for enrollment in any District program or school, provided the student's application meets the
- 6 requirements of the conditions established in maintaining optimal learning environments for all of its
- 7 schools.
- 8 The following definitions shall apply:
- 9 Zoned School
- 10 The school to which the student has been assigned prior to any request for transfer.
- 11 Out of zoned School Student
- 12 A Germantown Municipal School District student who enrolls (seeks to enroll) in a program or school
- in another attendance zone within the District.
- 14 Program

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- 15 Any one of the specific course offerings of this District.
- 16 Program Size
- 17 The restrictions on a number of students in a program due to circumstances unique to that specific
- program, or financial or operating conditions of the District.
- 19 Intra- District Transfer (Open Enrollment) Processes:
  - Applications will be made available for interested parties during the second semester of each school year. Dates may vary yearly at a time set by the District Administration. There will be at least a 30-day period between the announcement of Open Enrollment and the closing of the Open Enrollment application period. Applications will be made available on-line and will be available at the District Office. Online computer support will also be available at the District office.
  - All applications need to be submitted on or before the designated conclusion of Open Enrollment as evident by a postmark if the application is mailed.

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• If there are more applicants than seats available, the seats will be awarded through a lottery format. Applications received after the deadline will be placed on a wait list until the start of the school year.

- Parents who applied for a transfer will be notified of their child's (ren) transfer status no later
   than May 21 (negotiable date pending unforeseen variables not foreseen at the time of this
   draft)
  - Students that live in Germantown and are granted transfers through the open enrollment process have the opportunity to stay at this school until their exit year. Parent or guardian will be notified by June 6<sup>th</sup> each year of their continued transfer status.
- Transportation is not provided for any student that is granted an open enrollment transfer.
  - Students who are participating in Open Enrollment (Intra-District Transfers) must maintain acceptable behavior, attendance and academic standing. While it is the intent to allow the student to remain at the school through exit grade, if behavior, attendance or academic standing is not acceptable, the principal has the authority to rescind the transfer at the end of the school year and the student will return to his/her school of zoning for the following year. The Superintendent has the authority to rescind or modify a transfer for reasons other than those listed above.

## 18 Enrollment Priorities:

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- 1. GMSD employees' children.
  - 2. Students currently enrolled in that school.
- 21 3. Students whose school changed as a result of re-zoning.
  - 4. Students, who have siblings who are attending the non-zoned school based on receiving a transfer, will be given preferential consideration if they wish to attend the same school as their sibling.
- The Superintendent, or his designee, will set procedures that support this policy.