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Tier 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Tier 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Late app \_\_\_\_\_  
Enrollment Preference: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Choice District \_\_\_\_\_ Sibling Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade Applied For: \_\_\_\_\_ Seat \_\_\_\_\_

Received Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

**INTERDISTRICT PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE**

Wait list \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

*Student information*

Name of student applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Student address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Application Information:**

Grade level to which the student is **applying for admission** for the **2023-2024 school year**: \_\_\_\_\_ \*

\*If applying to Kindergarten, does your district of residence offer a public preschool program?: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

~ **Students entering Kindergarten must be five years old on or before October 1 of the school registration year** ~

Has the student been referred or is currently being referred for special education services?: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*

**If yes, attach any documentation, i.e. IEP (Special Education Plan) or 504 Plan (Accommodation Plan)**

**\*\*NOTE:** *If the student is deemed eligible for services prior to the start of the following school year and the District cannot implement the IEP, acceptance into the program could be revoked.*

Does the student have a sibling enrolled in this choice district? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Sibling's name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**CURRENT School Year Information**

Student's grade level for the **CURRENT school year**: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's district of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

School currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

❖ Is this the student's resident public school? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ \* No \_\_\_\_\_

➤ **If yes**, answer the following questions:

- Has the student been enrolled since the start of the school year? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
- If the student moved during the school year and *attended the resident public school of his/her old district of residence*, provide:
  - Name of previous district of residence: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Name of previous school attended: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Date moved from previous school: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Date enrolled in current school: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Students who are currently enrolled in their resident district must complete and submit a Notice of Intent to Participate form to their resident district.

# West Cape May Elementary School

## INTERDISTRICT PUBLIC SCHOOL CHOICE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT IN A CHOICE DISTRICT

### 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

#### Student Enrollment Policies

**Tier 1 students** are students who are enrolled in a NJ public school in their resident school district during the time of application and for the entire year immediately preceding enrollment in a choice district. If a student moved during the school year and attended the resident public school of his/her old district of residence, he/she is also considered Tier 1. Choice districts must first fill their available seats with Tier 1 students. If the number of Tier 1 applications exceeds the number of choice seats available, the choice district must hold a lottery to randomly select students. Charter school students are considered to be Tier 1. To qualify as Tier 1 for kindergarten, a student must be attending a state-funded preschool in his or her resident district or a student resides in a district that does not offer a state-funded preschool program or a student has a sibling currently attending the choice district. Most students applying for kindergarten are in Tier 1.

**Tier 2 students** include NJ residents who have *not* attended their resident public school for the entire year immediately prior to enrollment in the desired choice district and do *not* otherwise meet the requirements for Tier 1. This would include students who have been attending public schools outside their district of residence or private school.

Choice districts are not obligated to accept Tier 2 students. If a choice district accepts Tier 2 applicants, they may do so only *after all the qualified Tier 1 applicants have been accepted*. If the number of Tier 2 applications exceeds the number of choice seats available, the choice district must hold a Tier 2 lottery to select students.

**Enrollment preference** may be given to students in the following circumstances: 1) applicants with siblings enrolled in the choice district; 2) applicants who will have completed the terminal grade of a sending choice district (i.e., students who attend a choice district with grades that terminate before 12th grade and with a natural progression to the choice district); and 3) resident students of the choice district who move during the school year but *before the application deadline* and want to remain in the choice district the following year. Your student's enrollment preference status will be determined from the information you provide in this application.

**The West Cape May School District has adopted the following policies regarding student enrollment preference:**

POLICY	Yes/No
a. The district accepts Tier 2 students	Yes
b. The district gives enrollment preference to students who have siblings currently enrolled as a choice student in the choice district	Yes
c. If currently in a formal sending/receiving or constituent relationship with a choice district, the district gives enrollment preference to choice students who have completed the terminal grade of the sending district and wish to attend the receiving district's choice program?	Not Applicable
d. The district gives enrollment preference to resident students who move <i>before the application deadline</i> . If resident students move & file choice applications for the following year prior to the deadline, the district will give them enrollment preference (i.e., accept them ahead of other applicants, but after the enrollment preference students described in b. and c. above), provided there are choice seats available in the choice-approved grades/ programs and the students meet any program-specific criteria. <i>If the district has already reached its approved choice enrollment maximum, this preference will not apply.</i>	Yes
e. The district gives special consideration to resident students who move <i>after</i> the application deadline. Students in this situation may apply as late applicants and be added to the <i>front of the district's waitlist</i> , provided the students will enroll in a choice-approved grade/program and they meet any program-specific criteria. No additional choice seats above the approved maximum will be approved by the NJDOE to accommodate these students.	Yes

**If any information on this application is proven to be falsified, the student's admission to the Choice Program could be revoked.**

- *By my signature I certify that I am applying for my student's admission to the Choice district for academic reasons only and not for athletic, extracurricular, or social reasons and that all of the information I have provided is correct.*
- *If my student has a current IEP or 504 Plan, I hereby give permission to the Child Study Team of this choice district to release and/or obtain information on behalf of my student.*
- *I further understand that if the cost of transportation exceeds the maximum annual expenditure permitted by law, I will be given aid in lieu of transportation from my resident district. Payable in two installments per annum, midyear and at the end of the academic year.*

⇒SIGN: \_\_\_\_\_ PRINT: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian
Name of Parent/Guardian

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Application is due to the Choice District by November 30, 2022**

*\*Applications received after the deadline will be considered on a space available basis.*