

Application for 2025-2026

Kent Intermediate School District Collaborative Schools of Choice Program

Email or mail this application to:
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First District of choice:	Second District of Choice:
Grade entering next semester:	Third District of Choice:
Student Information	
Student Name:	Birthdate:
Address:	Parent's Email:
City/State/Zip:	Home Phone:
Resident District:	Work Phone:
Parent / Guardian:	
Which elementary do you prefer (if applicable): ☐ Alto ☐ Bushnell ☐ Cherry Creek ☐ Murray Lake	
Has your child ever been expelled from school? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain:	
Has your child been suspended from any school in the last two years? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please explain:	
Sibling(s) or Other School-Age Children Residing in Household Enrolled in District	
Is this student residing in the same household as students enrolled in the immediately preceding school year, semester or trimester ☐ yes ☐ no	
Name of School-Age Children/ Sibling	Entering Grade
Please explain any suspensions/expulsions:	
Parent Signature	
By signing below, I acknowledge that I have been provided a copy of, and accept the policies and regulations of the Kent ISD Schools of Choice Program. I also understand that incomplete, inaccurate or false information I have provided may invalidate the transfer. If my child is accepted as a Schools of Choice student, I also understand that transportation shall be my sole responsibility.	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:
Student Signature (if 18 or older):	Date:
Choice District Signature	
The Kent Intermediate School District and constituent local districts comply with all federal state laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination, and with all requirements and regulations of the United State Department of Education and the Michigan Department of Education. The following signature indicates acceptance of the student:	
Authorized Signature:	Date:

Deadlines for the 2024-2025 Choice Plan

- Applications accepted **April 14– May 16, 2025** at 4:00 p.m.
- Parents notified by **May 28** if student accepted
- Parents confirm decision to attend by **June 4, 2025**
- Waiting list families notified about openings and confirm decision to attend **June 4 – June 20, 2025**

Schools of Choice Policies & Regulations

- ☐ One application per student, per year may be submitted to one school district. You may indicate a second choice and third choice on your application. (If you apply to more than one district you may be disqualified for all districts that year.)
- ☐ If more applications are received in a district than openings are available, there will be a random lottery drawing for all applications received prior to the deadline. If your application is not selected by your first-choice district, they will automatically forward your application to your second and/or third choice districts.
- ☐ According to the Michigan High School Athletic Association students accepted into the Schools of Choice program who are in grades 10 – 12 will not be eligible to participate in sports for one semester – until the second half of the school year.
- ☐ Accepted students must agree to comply with choice districts policies.
- ☐ Transportation is NOT provided for Schools of Choice students. Parents must provide their own transportation to and from school for children accepted for enrollment through the Kent ISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Plan.
- ☐ After you are accepted, you will be allowed continuous enrollment in that district until graduation, until you withdraw from that district, or until you reside outside of Kent ISD, at which time you may return to your resident district.
- ☐ Waiting lists will be created at choice districts after the lottery/random draw and parents will be notified if spaces become available.
- ☐ Siblings of students currently attending under the Schools of Choice Program will be assigned to open spots before a random draw begins. Students who reside in the same household as students enrolled in the immediately preceding school year, semester or trimester will be considered “siblings” for the purpose of Schools of Choice.
- ☐ The only limit on movement between school districts for an applicant to the Kent ISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Plan is the space available in the desired district and/or the Choice student’s suspension or expulsion record.

Please be advised that the Schools of Choice eligibility rules are governed by the Michigan Compiled Laws under MCL 380.1401, 388.1606, 388.1705, 388.1705c and 388.1707. By signing this application, you attest that all information provided is true and accurate. You further acknowledge that providing false information is in violation of law. The District retains the right to request additional verification of your eligibility at any time. Should information be provided or discovered by the district that you were accepted into the Schools of Choice program illegally, such acceptance will be revoked immediately.