Allen Park Public Schools

Limited Schools of Choice Program for Kindergarten - 8th Grade for 2019-20 School Year

Welcome to Allen Park Public Schools, a district with a tradition of *an uncompromising* commitment to excellence. The APPS has established a successful Schools of Choice Program for the past several years and the Board of Education has approved continuation of the program for the 2019-20 School Year.

□ We are proud to be an outstanding educational choice for your child's education and here are just a few reasons why:

- Children thrive in our safe, nurturing and engaging environment.
- A robust, diverse curriculum framework prepares students for an ever-changing world.
- Curriculum review cycle keeps instruction and resources updated.
- Comprehensive array of extracurricular activities, athletics and music programs.
- Latchkey Program before and after school available in all elementary buildings.
- Long Range Strategic Plan adopted by the Board of Education.
- Responsible practices in financial planning.
- Web-based parent communication, ParentConnection.
- Today's technology and modernized facilities.
- A strong PTA/PTSA and volunteer program.

What is the timeline for applications?

- Application forms for Kindergarten through 8th Grade will be available starting Monday, April 8, 2019 thru Friday April 26, 2019 at the Riley Education Center, 9601 Vine, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Applications will also be available on our website www.allenparkschools.com. You must complete a separate application for each student.
- Completed application forms for Kindergarten through 8th Grade will be accepted from Monday April 8, 2019 through Friday, April 26, 2019. Completed applications may be presented in person at the Riley Education Center, 9601 Vine, between the hours 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Completed applications may also be emailed to schoolofchoice@appublicschools.com
- Completed applications must be received on or before 4:00 p.m. Friday, April 26, 2019. No late applications can be accepted.
- NOTE: If any information is found to be inaccurate or false, the application will no longer be considered for acceptance.

□ Is there sibling preference?

By law, the siblings of Schools of Choice students (already attending APPS) have first priority if an opening exists. However, parents must complete the necessary application paperwork during the open application period.

□ When will I know if my child has been accepted as a Schools of Choice student?

A random draw selection will take place on Tuesday, April 30, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Riley Education Center Cafeteria. Public is welcome to attend. The draw will determine numerical selection for acceptance of candidates.

Within fifteen calendar days after the end of the application period, parents will be notified via phone call or email of whether the applicant was chosen or placed on the waitlist. Specific school placements of Schools of Choice students will be assigned after review of all school enrollment data. There will be a minimum of one opening per grade level K-8.

Important Deadline: If notified of acceptance in the Schools of Choice Program, applicants must complete enrollment paperwork within 8 calendar days of notification. If the enrollment is not completed within this timeframe the student's space will be forfeited.

Wait List: Those not selected will be placed on a wait list, and called in numerical selection order as positions become available.

- □ Is there an orientation for Schools of Choice families?
 - Please contact your student's individual school for student orientation dates and times.
- □ Will Schools of Choice guarantee my child's path through all subsequent levels in APPS?

Yes. After completion of any given level (i.e., elementary or middle) the student will advance to subsequent level as appropriate.

- ☐ If I am participating in APPS Schools of Choice and I move within Wayne County, can my child continue to attend APPS?
 - Yes. Please report any change of address within Wayne County to the Pupil Accounting Office at the Riley Education Center, 9601 Vine.
- ☐ If I am participating in APPS Schools of Choice and I move <u>out</u> of Wayne County, can my child continue to attend APPS?

No. At the end of the current semester, the student must register in his/her home residence district.

- □ Will my child receive transportation?
 - Transportation is **not provided** to Schools of Choice students and is the responsibility of the parent. Students are expected to arrive and depart from school on time.
- □ For more information about the Schools of Choice program, please call (313) 827-2105.

The **Allen Park Community School** is a Schools of Choice Option geared toward students **ages 14-19** that have experienced a lack of success in the traditional high school setting. The purpose of the Allen Park Community School Family is to introduce, increase and enhance the social skills, academic ability, civic responsibility and creative expression of the individual in an atmosphere that promotes and supports a sense of community, belonging and the development of a positive image.

For more information and an application for the **Allen Park Community School**, please contact: (313) 827-2660.