Beginning with the month of March and through the month of July of the upcoming school year, a parent/guardian may request that his/her child attend a school within the system other than the one to which the child is zoned. The superintendent or his/her designee shall review such requests and, grant such transfers unless a transfer would be adverse to the best interests of the child or the school system. If granted, the student must provide his/her own transportation to and from the school.¹

Except within the first ten (10) days of a school year where a parent/guardian may appeal the assignment of a student to the Board,² after a student has enrolled in one (1) school within the system, he/she shall not be permitted to transfer to another unless there is a change in residence of the student’s parents or guardian outside the area in which the student enrolled. Any exception to this policy must be brought before the superintendent for evaluation and decision.

Students whose families transfer their residence to another school area after the first month of school may complete the school year at their former school. Students who present evidence that they will move during the school year and who desire to enroll in a new school in the new area may do so with prior written request for a change of school area. The superintendent or his/her designee may grant other exceptions to this policy for good and sufficient reasons.

Principals shall allow credit for work transferred from other schools only when substantiated by official transcripts or successful completion of comprehensive written examinations approved, administered and graded by the principal or his/her designated representative.³

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Legal References

1. TCA 49-2-128
2. TCA 49-6-3201
3. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.03 (11)(a-e)

Cross References

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