

SCHOOL CHOICE

It is the policy of the Mansfield Public Schools (the “District”) to admit non-resident students under the terms and conditions of the Inter-District School Choice Law (M.G.L. 76:12B) and under the following local conditions:

- By May 1st of every school year, the administration will determine the number of spaces that may be available in each school.
- By June 1st of every school year, if consideration is being given to withdraw from the provisions of the school choice law, the School Committee must hold a public hearing to review this decision and adopt a resolution withdrawing from school choice.
- When the number of applications from non-resident students exceeds the number of available spaces, the administration will select non-resident students for admission through a random drawing. There will be two drawings for this purpose. The first will take place July 1st. The second will be conducted prior to November 1st and will be based on unexpected additional openings.
- Any non-resident student who is accepted for admission under the provisions of this policy is entitled to remain in the district until graduation from high school except if there is a lack of funding of the school choice program.

The School Committee affirms its position that it shall not discriminate in the admission of any child on the basis of The Mansfield Public Schools prohibits unlawful discrimination, harassment (including sexual harassment), and retaliation against anyone based on race (including traits historically associated with race including, but not limited to, hair texture, hair type, hair length and protective hair styles), color, age, disability, sex (including pregnancy, pregnancy-related conditions, or recovery from these conditions, including but not limited to, lactation), sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, religion or religious belief, national origin, ethnicity, ancestry, retaliation, marital status, familial status, genetic information, veteran or military status, limited English proficiency, homelessness, athletic performance, special need, academic performance or any other class of individuals protected from discrimination under state or federal law in education, admission, access to or treatment in, its programs, services, benefits, activities, and terms and conditions of employment.

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