

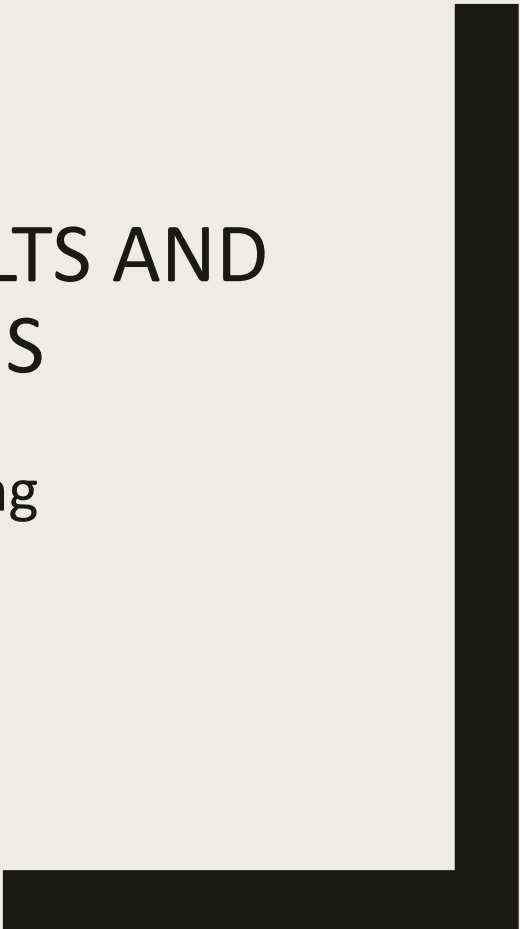


ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
AB 1114 – PARENTAL CHOICE

2018-2019
OPEN ENROLLMENT RESULTS AND
RECOMMENDATIONS

Board of Education Meeting
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Open Enrollment Guidelines

- The Open Enrollment Agreement applies only to the student making application
- The agreement does not extend to siblings
- Once enrolled in a school of choice, a student does not have to reapply for admission to that school; however, he/she must apply to attend a school of choice at the next level (i.e., middle school to high school)
- Parents must provide transportation for Open Enrollment students

Open Enrollment: Overview

- The Open Enrollment period ran from January 29 to February 7, 2018
- Auto-dialer calls and emails announcing Open Enrollment were made to families of all current 6th – 11th grade students
- Open Enrollment information was posted on the District's website and social media sites
- Principals showcased their schools at a public information meeting on February 1, 2018

Open Enrollment Results Summary

- The district received 1,479 requests for Open Enrollment. Requests have decreased over the past two years:
 - 2017 = 1,529 requests
 - 2016 = 1,601 requests
- Three schools had incoming transfer request rates exceeding 5%; the same as last year
- Four other schools had outgoing transfer request rates exceeding 5%; this is down from seven schools last year (not included this year: Harriet Eddy and Toby Johnson Middle Schools and Laguna Creek High School)

Requests To School		Requests From School	
Edward Harris, Jr.	7.6%	Samuel Jackman	-8.5%
Elizabeth Pinkerton	19.7%	James Rutter	-15.6%
Cosumnes Oaks	12.3%	Florin	-7.4%
		Valley	-5.6%

2018-2019 Middle School Open Enrollment Data Results

Middle Schools	Projected 2018-2019 Enrollment (Does Not Include SCC)	Number of Requests To School	Number of Requests From School	Net Impact of Students	2017-2018 Percent Impact	2018-2019 Percent Impact
Katherine Albiani	1,441	0	29	-29	-1.5%	-2.0%
Harriet Eddy	1,068	70	101	-31	-6.8%	-2.9%
Edward Harris, Jr.	1,106	211	127	84	6.2%	7.6%
Samuel Jackman	1,031	9	97	-88	-10.8%	-8.5%
Toby Johnson	1,391	0	65	-65	-7.1%	-4.7%
Joseph Kerr	875	68	28	40	2.2%	4.6%
Elizabeth Pinkerton	948	202	15	187	29.3%	19.7%
James Rutter	908	6	148	-142	-13.2%	-15.6%
T. R. Smedberg	1,135	86	44	42	4.6%	3.7%

2018-2019 High School Open Enrollment Data Results

High Schools	Projected 2018-2019 Enrollment (Does Not Include SCC)	Number of Requests To School	Number of Requests From School	Net Impact of Students	2017-2018 Percent Impact	2018-2019 Percent Impact
Cosumnes Oaks	2,212	292	21	271	14.8%	12.3%
Elk Grove	1,781	128	52	76	4.2%	4.3%
Florin	1,667	7	130	-123	-8.6%	-7.4%
Franklin	2,609	0	123	-123	-5.0%	-4.7%
Laguna Creek	1,832	78	168	-90	-7.4%	-4.9%
Monterey Trail	2,195	162	106	56	3.4%	2.6%
Pleasant Grove	2,533	0	76	-76	-2.7%	-3.0%
Sheldon	2,269	150	44	106	3.6%	4.7%
Valley	1,523	10	95	-85	-7.6%	-5.6%

Survey Data Results

- Survey of primary reason for Open Enrollment was incorporated into application
- Parents were asked to identify single most important reason for request
- Most frequently cited reasons for transfer were:

Selected Reasons	Reponses
Course or Program Not Offered at Home School	354 responses
More Challenging Instructional Program at Requested School	279 responses
Child care in Proximity to Requested School	203 responses
“Other” Reasons	146 responses
Student’s Peer Group/Friends	137 responses

Survey Data Results

- Of the 146 parents who wrote in “other” responses, reasons provided included:
 - *Siblings/relatives attending the same school*
 - *Transportation/Proximity to home*
 - *Continuity*

Survey Data Results

- 85 out of 1,479 applicants (5.6%) cited “**general perceptions of current school’s safety**” as their reason for transfer
- This represents an increase from the 2017-2018 survey in which 63 respondents cited perceptions of safety as their primary reason
- 77 applicants (5.1%) listed “**specific safety issues pertaining to their child**” as their primary reason (two more than last year)

Suggested Follow-Up Actions

- Continue the distribution and analysis of a targeted follow-up survey to parents of applicants, especially in regards to specific safety responses
- Continue School Outreach and Parent Communication by individual principals/schools
- Expand Regional Outreach and Communication/Regional Branding
- Maintain Marketing Campaign
- Continue Staffing Augmentation to designated schools

Open Enrollment Caps

- At the January 24, 2018 Board meeting, the Board approved Open Enrollment caps at two schools
- Of these schools, only Cosumnes Oaks High School will need to impose the approved cap

School	Cap	Net Impact of Transfer Requests
Cosumnes Oaks High School	100	271
Monterey Trail High School	100	56

Open Enrollment Considerations:

- For the past 10 years, the Board has approved a cap of 5%, limiting the number of students leaving any single school to ensure that every school enrolls sufficient students to maintain a comprehensive instructional program
- In order to ensure program stability at all schools, it is recommended that a cap again be approved this year for schools losing more than 5% of enrollment through Open Enrollment transfer
- These schools are:
 - James Rutter Middle School
 - Samuel Jackman Middle School
 - Valley High School
 - Florin High School

Open Enrollment Random Selection Process Recommendations

- Should the Board approve the 5% cap, it will be determined through a computerized random selection process which students will enroll at their schools of choice
- The selection process also will determine which 100 students will be allowed to transfer to Cosumnes Oaks High School, pursuant to the cap
 - February 27, 2018
 - Laguna Creek High School, Multipurpose Room
 - 6:00 p.m.

Open Enrollment Timeline

February 27, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If approved, Random Selection Process conducted at Laguna Creek High School at 6:00 p.m.
Week of March 5, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Notification of Open Enrollment acceptance sent to students and parents
March 21, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deadline for parents to accept Open Enrollment Agreement to requested school

Open Enrollment

Board Action Requested:

- Approve Open Enrollment transfers from schools with fewer than 5% transfer requests.
- Impose a 5% cap limiting the number of students who would be allowed to transfer from Samuel Jackman and James Rutter Middle Schools and from Florin and Valley High Schools.
- Approve an Open Enrollment random selection process, to be held February 27th at Laguna Creek High School, to:
 - *Determine which students from schools whose requests exceed 5% will be allowed to transfer to their schools of choice.*
 - *Identify 100 students who will Open Enroll into Cosumnes Oaks High School.*