



Elk Grove Unified School District
AB 1114 – Parental Choice

2022-2023 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 request
- 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 28 to February 8, 2022
- Auto-dialer calls, emails, and ParentVUE notifications 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

Open Enrollment Results Summary

The district received 886 requests for Open Enrollment. Requests have continued to decrease over time. Below are requests from the past four years:

- 2021 = 1,162 requests
- 2020 = 1,310 requests
- 2019 = 1,384 requests
- 2018 = 1,479 requests

Three schools had incoming transfer request rates exceeding 5%; the same as last year

Two other schools had outgoing transfer request rates exceeding 5%; a reduction from four schools last year.

Requests To School		Requests From School	
Edward Harris, Jr.	10.5%	Samuel Jackman	-7.9%
Elizabeth Pinkerton	16.2%	James Rutter	-12.3%
Cosumnes Oaks	7.7%		

2021-2022 Middle School Open Enrollment Data Results

Middle Schools	Projected 2022-2023 Enrollment (Does Not Include SCC)	Number of Requests To School	Number of Requests From School	Net Impact of Students	2020-2021 Percent Impact	2021-2022 Percent Impact	2022-2023 Percent Impact
Katherine Albiani	1,405	0	26	-26	-1.5%	-1.4%	-1.9%
Harriet Eddy	978	57	67	-10	-1.4%	0.1%	-1.0%
Edward Harris, Jr.	1,111	178	61	117	10.9%	5.7%	10.5%
Samuel Jackman	869	7	76	-69	-9.0%	-5.9%	-7.9%
Toby Johnson	1,248	0	31	-31	-2.5%	-1.7%	-2.5%
Joseph Kerr	726	37	23	14	3.1%	3.7%	1.9%
Elizabeth Pinkerton	881	155	12	143	9.9%	10.3%	16.2%
James Rutter	912	4	116	-112	-16.6%	-11.0%	-12.3%
T. R. Smedberg	925	52	31	21	3.30%	2.1%	2.3%

2021-2022 High School Open Enrollment Data Results

High Schools	Projected 2022-2023 Enrollment (Does Not Include SCC)	Number of Requests To School	Number of Requests From School	Net Impact of Students	2020-2021 Percent Impact	2021-2022 Percent Impact	2022-2023 Percent Impact
Cosumnes Oaks	1944	178	29	149	10.4%	7.1%	7.7%
Elk Grove	1663	90	19	71	2.2%	2.3%	4.3%
Florin	1833	9	26	-17	-7.1%	-5.2%	-0.9%
Franklin	2784	0	65	-65	-2.7%	-2.2%	-2.3%
Laguna Creek	2,068	111	53	58	-1.5%	-0.7%	2.8%
Monterey Trail	2,363	0	74	-74	3.9%	2.1%	-3.1%
Pleasant Grove	2,944	0	23	-23	-2.9%	-1.5%	-0.8%
Sheldon	2,280	0	25	-25	3.7%	3.4%	-1.1%
Valley	1,665	8	58	-50	-6.9%	-5.3%	-3.0%

Survey Data Results

Survey of primary reason for Open Enrollment was incorporated into application

Parents were asked to identify the single most important reason for the Open Enrollment request

Reasons cited for transfer were:

Selected Reasons	RESPONSES				
	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
Courses or program not offered at current school i.e., Career, Academic, International Baccalaureate, etc.	354	359	319	239	96
More Challenging instructional program at requested school	279	233	242	160	57
Specific Safety/Security issue pertaining to your child at current school	77	56	75	80	21
General perceptions of current school's safety and security	85	73	86	47	11
Child care in proximity to requested school	203	225	226	180	34
Employment in proximity to requested school	74	94	96	80	19
Newer Facility	9	12	6	5	2
Student's peer group/friends	137	90	120	94	29
Athletic program	35	35	38	33	21
School Staff	26	16	35	27	6

Suggested Follow-Up Actions

- Continue the distribution and analysis of a targeted follow-up survey to parents of applicants, especially regarding specific safety responses
- Continue work promoting regional activities and connections between sites
- Continue supporting principals in developing strong programs at their sites
- Maintain Marketing Campaign, Outreach and Regional Branding
- Continue Staffing Augmentation to designated schools

Open Enrollment Caps

At the January 26, 2022 Board Workshop, the Board approved Open Enrollment caps at three schools

Of these schools, Elizabeth Pinkerton and Edward Harris Middle Schools and Cosumnes Oaks High School will need to impose the approved cap

School	Net Cap	Net Impact of Transfer Requests
Elizabeth Pinkerton Middle School	100	143
Edward Harris Middle School	100	117
Cosumnes Oaks High School	100	149

Open Enrollment Considerations:

For the past 14 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:

- Samuel Jackman Middle School 7.9%
- James Rutter Middle School 12.3%

Open Enrollment Random Selection Process Recommendations

Should the Board approve the 5% cap at Samuel Jackman and James Rutter middle schools, 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 Elizabeth Pinkerton and Edward Harris middle schools and Cosumnes Oaks high school, pursuant to the cap.

Open Enrollment Timeline

Tuesday, February 22, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If approved, Random Selection Process conducted
Week of February 28, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Notification of Open Enrollment acceptance sent to students and parents
Tuesday, March 22, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deadline for parents to accept or decline Open Enrollment Agreement to requested school via ParentVUE

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.
- Approve an Open Enrollment random selection process, to be held on Tuesday, February 22, 2022:
 - Determine which students from Samuel Jackman and James Rutter middle schools, whose requests exceed 5% will be allowed to transfer to their schools of choice.
 - Identify 100 students who will Open Enroll into Elizabeth Pinkerton and Edward Harris Middle School and Cosumnes Oaks High School.