Interdistrict Open Enrollment
(Outside district)

I. Purpose
a. The Board of the Cleveland Municipal School District (“District”) shall ensure full access to all its schools for residents of the District.
b. The Board of the Cleveland Municipal School District also recognizes that students from other Ohio school districts may seek admittance to Cleveland’s public schools, pending space availability, and can be enrolled subject to the criteria established by law, rules adopted by the Ohio Board of Education, this Interdistrict Open Enrollment Policy and administrative regulations developed by the Chief Executive Officer to implement this policy.

II. Interdistrict Open Enrollment Policy
a. Resident students shall have first priority for admission to all District schools.
b. Applications for Interdistrict Open Enrollment must be submitted to the School Choice and Enrollment Office and will be accepted throughout the school year.
c. Approval for Interdistrict Open Enrollment applicants seeking admission to grades kindergarten through eighth will not occur until after July 30 of any given school year.
d. Approval for Interdistrict Open Enrollment applicants seeking admission to grades ninth through twelfth will not occur until after May 15 of any given school year.
e. Students admitted under this Interdistrict Open Enrollment Policy shall be eligible for all services provided to residents of the District and shall not be charged tuition or any other fee not charged to students who are residents of the District.
f. Applicants previously enrolled under the Interdistrict Open Enrollment Policy shall have priority over first-time applicants.
g. The procedures for admitting students under the Interdistrict Open Enrollment Policy, including the establishment of building capacity limits and ensuring that an appropriate racial balance is maintained in the District schools, shall be the same as used under the Intradistrict Open Enrollment Policy.
h. A student seeking admission under this Interdistrict Open Enrollment Policy shall be excluded if the student has been suspended or expelled for ten or more consecutive days in the academic term for which admission is sought or in the immediately preceding term.
i. The Board shall accept all credits toward graduation that were earned by a student in another Ohio school district.
j. The District shall upon request provide information about this policy to any other Ohio school district or to the parents/guardians of any Ohio student.

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