

School Choice Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Q. Do I need to re-apply each year?**
A. *No, once approved you are approved until you are ready to move to the next level (meaning Elementary to Middle or Middle to High).*
2. **Q. Can I apply for more than one school?**
A. Yes, you may apply for up to 3 schools and you will be able to designate them by priority order.
3. **Q. Can I change my priority order after I have submitted?**
A. Yes, you may go in and make changes to saved and submitted applications any time until the March 1st deadline.
4. **Q. I am an employee, do I still have to apply?**
A. Yes
5. **Q. I already have a child in a Leon County School and I want my other child to attend also, do I have to apply for the sibling?**
A. Yes, apply under "Sibling Support". *Remember that the sibling must be attending the same school during the same year as the applicant.*
6. **Q. Can I apply for a school that is over capacity?**
A. Once a year during the school choice window (Jan – March 1st) everyone can apply for any school, regardless of the capacity. Schools that receive more applications than available seats will be processed by a lottery.
7. **Q. I am active military, do I get any school I ask for?**
To qualify for Military Preferential Treatment when applying for school choice, as stated in our Leon County School Board Policy as well as Fl. State Statute "Dependent children of active duty military personnel **whose move to our district resulted from military orders**". The Military orders must be attached to the school choice application *or* brought into the school choice office **prior** to the March 1st deadline.
8. **Q. I live just above the GA State line and work in Tallahassee. Can I apply?**
A. No. You may only apply if you live in Florida.
9. **Q. How do I know that my application was submitted correctly?**
A. You will receive an email confirmation response upon submitting your application.
10. **Q. How will I know if I am approved?**
A. You will need to log in to your parent portal account for the results. Applications won't begin processing until the March 1st deadline.
11. **Q. Can I apply for a hardship?**
A. No. Hardships are for the current school year only.
12. **Q. Can I get transportation?**
A. No. Transportation is the parent or guardian's responsibility unless otherwise stated. (EX. Fairview Middle IB Prep and Rickards High IB)
13. **Q. When will I find out if I'm approved for school choice?**
A. You will be notified in your parent portal account by March 30, 2021

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

1. NO RUSH! It is not first come first serve any longer.
2. New Students who are not enrolled in Leon County will have to be registered (individually) first and then an application will need to be done.
3. You will be notified in your parent portal of the outcome of your application.