October 29, 2018

Dear Woodrow Wilson Feeder Parents/Guardians,

Dallas ISD is having an incredible year thanks to the many innovative school choice options available to students across the district, and it is no surprise that Woodrow Wilson High School is, by far, one of the top choices parents are seeking for their children. This makes for a truly robust educational environment for students, but it also presents facility challenges as we work to accommodate the increase in families who are choosing Woodrow.

Woodrow Wilson High School is currently over capacity, and renovations, which are scheduled to be completed next school year, will help alleviate that. However, to ensure that the quality of our learning environment remains intact for every student, we have temporarily suspended new to Woodrow Wilson High School student transfers to the school through June 2020. This will also include younger siblings of current transfers and students on transfers matriculating from Long. The only exception will be transfers to the International Baccalaureate program, if there are not enough qualified students coming from the feeder pattern attendance zone.

Dallas ISD offers a number of other innovative programs like the collegiate academies and innovation and transformation schools which are available to your students. Through our collegiate programs, students can earn a free associate degree while attending high school. The collegiate program also provides real-world learning experiences with the support of industry partners who help prepare students for jobs in top career fields.

These and other programs will be on display at the Discover Dallas ISD school fair from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Fashion Industry Gallery, 1807 Ross Ave, 75201. Staff from every specialty school will be on hand to showcase their school’s unique offerings, answer questions about the program and help you apply. We encourage you to attend to learn more about these schools, and find the one that best fits your child’s needs. Dallas ISD has something for every student.

Thank you for your interest in and support of Woodrow Wilson High School. If you have questions, do not hesitate to contact your child’s campus at (972) 502-4400.

Sincerely,

Michael Moran
Principal
Woodrow Wilson HS
AUTHORITY

The Board delegates to the Superintendent of Schools the authority to accept or reject any transfer requests, provided that such action is without regard to race, religion, color, sex, disability, or national origin, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, genetic information, gender identity, or gender expression, or any other basis prohibited by law that adversely affects the student.

FACTORS

Transfer approval shall take into consideration availability of space and instructional staff, academic records, the student's disciplinary history, and attendance records.

Annually, the Chief of School Leadership shall identify schools at maximum capacity and close transfers at those schools until space becomes available. A new application for transfer must be filed each time a student requests to move to a different campus. Once a transfer is approved at a specific campus, the student may remain at that campus for the duration of the grades accommodated at the campus provided the student adheres to the terms of the written transfer agreement and this policy.

ASSIGNMENTS

The provisions of FDB(LEGAL) pertaining to intradistrict student transfer and classroom assignment are not applicable to a nonresident student whose application for interdistrict transfer to a District school has been approved, except where such applicability is required by federal or state law.

TRANSFER AGREEMENTS AND REVOCATIONS

A transfer student shall be notified in the written transfer agreement that he or she must follow all rules and regulations of the District. Campus administrators shall review academic, attendance, and discipline records each year to determine whether a student shall be allowed to remain at the campus the following year. A transfer may not be revoked during the school year for which the transfer is approved.

With proper documentation, the transfer may be revoked at the end of the school year due to poor academic performance, low attendance, and/or misbehavior. If there is a concern that would justify a revocation for the following year, the administration shall notify the parent/guardian to allow the student time to correct the situation. The parent/guardian shall be officially notified if the situation has not been rectified and the transfer is being revoked. A transfer may also be revoked if an anticipated influx of students from within the attendance zone will create overcrowding of the campus. Notification of revocation situations shall be made during April.

For auditing purposes, the transfer agreement shall be filed and maintained as part of the student's permanent school record.
Except for the District's prekindergarten-tuition program, nonresident students shall be eligible to attend District schools on a tuition-free basis.

This policy was last adopted or amended on June 22, 2017.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How will this affect my child if he/she is currently on transfer to an elementary or J.L. Long Middle School in the Woodrow Wilson Feeder Pattern?

A: This will not affect your child's current transfer to the school they are currently attending. If you do not live in the attendance zone and your student will attend middle school next year, you will need to apply for a transfer to J.L. Long Middle School. Dallas ISD policy, FDA (Local), applies and your child will remain on the campus through its highest grade. However, your student's attendance at J. L. Long will not grant automatic transfer approval to Woodrow Wilson High School.

Q: What if my child is currently an 8th grader on transfer to J.L. Long Middle School, and we do not live in the attendance zone, how will this affect their opportunity to attend Woodrow Wilson High School?

A: Dallas ISD policy, FDA (Local), and regulation governs and your child will have the option to attend the high school in your attendance zone or apply for collegiate academies and other high school programs in the district. You are encouraged to attend the Discover Dallas ISD Event on November 3rd at the Fashion Industry Gallery from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Q: What does this mean for my child who is currently on transfer to Woodrow Wilson High School, will they still be allowed to attend Woodrow Wilson next school year?

A: This will not affect your child's current transfer to the school they are currently attending. Dallas ISD policy, FDA (Local), applies and your child will remain on the campus through its highest grade and the principal will apply policy to students on transfer.

Q: What if I currently have a child attending Woodrow Wilson High School on transfer and I have a student on transfer at J. L. Long Middle School, will my middle school student's transfer be approved since a sibling currently attends Woodrow Wilson High School?

A: Dallas ISD policy, FDA (Local), and regulation governs. Child who are currently on transfer to J.L. Long will remain at the school through its highest grade, however, this does not mean your student will be approved for transfer to Woodrow Wilson High School.

*School Leadership will reassess this decision after June 2020*