



SAN DIEGO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Office of School Choice

ENROLLMENT OPTIONS PROGRAMS POLICIES

1. STUDENTS WHO ENROLL IN THE MAGNET, VEEP, OPEN ENROLLMENT, OR PISC PROGRAM MUST REMAIN IN THE PROGRAM THROUGH THE END OF EACH SCHOOL YEAR IN WHICH THEY HAVE ENROLLED. Students enrolled in a Magnet, VEEP, Open Enrollment, or PISC program are considered residents of the school in which they have enrolled. Returning to the neighborhood school during the school year is not an option unless both current school and resident school administrators sign and approve the Enrollment Options Transfer Request form. Students wishing to leave the program must follow the procedures and timeline for filing an Enrollment Options Transfer Request form.
2. Siblings of concurrently enrolled students receive the highest priority when application is made during the priority open enrollment period, prior to the school year desired. THERE IS NO SIBLING PRIORITY FOR PISC OR FOR APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE PRIORITY OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD.

3. TRANSFERS

Students wishing to leave the program must file an Enrollment Options Transfer Request form by the last working day before school starts in the fall or they shall be required to complete the school year in the program in which they are enrolled. The only exceptions to the policy are students who have moved out of the VEEP pattern, students accepted into another Enrollment Options program during open enrollment timeline periods at the beginning of the school year and at the semester.

A student who transfers from the Magnet, VEEP, Open Enrollment, or PISC program and then wishes to return to that program must be subject to all eligibility and enrollment criteria.

4. Students who move outside of the San Diego Unified School District must reapply through Open Enrollment or Magnet to continue and have an approved Interdistrict Attendance Permit. The enrollment will be subject to all eligibility and enrollment criteria. The student does not automatically continue/articulate to the next level.

The Open Enrollment (Choice) program is designed for students who wish to attend a school other than their neighborhood school. Open Enrollment offers students the option of applying to any school within the San Diego Unified School District, with the exception of total school magnets.

1. SDCS students may continue through the regular feeder pattern (elementary to middle school and middle to high school) without reapplying once accepted through the Open Enrollment application process as long as space is available.
2. No student transportation is provided with the Open Enrollment program enrollment. Parents must provide or make transportation arrangements.

The Magnet program receives additional resources that allow it to provide special themes, learning materials and equipment, and more to significantly enhance student learning.

1. A student enrolled in a magnet program will not be allowed to make a parallel transfer to another magnet program of the same emphasis at the same level (elementary, middle/junior, senior).
2. Students who have made a commitment to a specific magnet theme are given first priority to continue in that theme when the students change levels/articulates (elementary to middle/junior to senior).
3. Transportation guidelines for ridership apply.

The Voluntary Enrollment Exchange Program (VEEP) is a program that offers transportation to students residing within a specific boundary and encourages students from one community to attend approved pattern schools outside their neighborhood.

1. Transportation guidelines for ridership apply.
2. Students using childcare affidavits to qualify for VEEP are not provided articulation to the feeder secondary school.

The Program Improvement School Choice (PISC) is a year-by-year program for students who reside within the boundaries of and attend a school that has not met one of its achievement targets for two years in a row. These students are offered the opportunity to apply to attend a specific non-program improvement school in the district and will be provided transportation.

1. Transportation guidelines for ridership apply.
2. When the resident school meets its achievement targets two years in a row or student matriculates to new school, students enrolled at a non-program improvement school of choice may no longer be eligible for transportation.

I have read and understand the above Magnet, VEEP, Open Enrollment, and PISC programs policies, and have received a copy.

Parent/Guardian Signature

(Print Student's Name)

Date