



RUSH COUNTY SCHOOLS

Dr. John E. Williams, Superintendent

Transfer Students

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I.C. 20-26-11-32 changed the laws on the acceptance of Transfer Students in Indiana. The new law went into effect July 1, 2013. There will be a lottery system for NEW transfer students if more applications are received than open spots available. A new lottery will be held each summer, if needed. **During the first semester, applications will continue to be taken and students will be accepted on a space available basis.**

Applications will be considered in the order that they are received. Applications are not accepted after December 19 for the current school year.

A request to transfer must be submitted to the Superintendent by **June 30**. If needed, a lottery will be held on July 1.

Students previously in Rush County Schools and students of Rush County Schools employees will be considered prior to any 'lottery' in accordance with Indiana law. Additionally, siblings of students already enrolled in Rush County Schools may be accepted prior to the lottery.

Under no circumstances will a transfer student be accepted solely for athletic reasons.

The building principal and superintendent shall deny a transfer request based on **one or more** of the following criteria:

1. The student has been suspended or expelled for more than 10 school days in the 12 months preceding the request for transfer.
2. The student was suspended or expelled for possessing a firearm, deadly weapon, or destructive device in the preceding 12 months.
3. The student was suspended or expelled for causing physical injury to a student, school employee, or visitor to the school.
4. The student was suspended or expelled for violating a drug or alcohol rule.

Students transferring to this Corporation from other schools or school corporations shall be placed in those classes or at those grade levels for which their previous educational experiences appear to qualify them. The School Corporation reserves the right to change or modify such placements on the basis of later information, testing, or investigation.