



ROSSVILLE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Greetings,

I am extremely excited that you would consider Rossville Schools for your child's education. Students in our small school are known by name by their teachers, by the principals, by the secretaries, and the by the support staff. Children have the opportunity to establish a solid foundation in the elementary grades, to transition safely through the awkward years of middle school, and to prepare for college, the military or the work force through their high school years. At Rossville schools we strive to equip students with the necessary tools to live a happy, healthy life and prosper after graduation.

The next several pages outline the policies and procedures for the transfer process. However, the best way to understand if Rossville Schools are the right fit is for you and your child to visit. Parents today are given several options when looking at educational opportunities for their children, and we appreciate your efforts to find the best education available. Rossville Schools have a well-established reputation for excellence in academics, in athletics, and in the arts. Our school community continues to have high expectations for all the students we serve. I encourage you to review the attached documents, reexamine the information located on our web site, www.rcsd.k12.in.us, like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, or give us a call at 765-379-2990 to set up a time to visit.

We look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Hanna", is written over the printed name.

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TO: Parents/Students
FROM: Dr. Jim Hanna, Superintendent
RE: Considering Transfer to Rossville Schools
DATE: March 19, 2019

The Indiana Legislature amended the Indiana Code concerning education through House Enrolled Act 1381. HEA 1381 requires the governing body of a school corporation to annually establish the number of transfer students the school corporation has capacity to accept in each grade level, and the date by which request to transfer into the school corporation must be received by the governing body. The Board of Education established July 1, 2019, as the date for which transfer requests must be received. Additionally, the following capacity levels have been established for each grade level:

Grade Level	Maximum Enrollment
Kindergarten	84
1 st Grade	72
2 nd Grade	72
3 rd Grade	72
4 th Grade	100
5 th Grade	75
6 th Grade	100
7 th Grade	100
8 th Grade	100
9 th Grade	100
10 th Grade	100
11 th Grade	100
12 th Grade	100

The Board of School Trustees recognizes that a parent of a child must be a legal resident of the Rossville Consolidated School District in order for the child to attend its schools. The Board recognizes it has the authority to accept transfer students and it is the intent of the Board that all applicable laws in regard to student transfers shall be strictly enforced. A transfer student is one whose legal settlement is not within the boundaries of the Rossville Consolidated School District.

School Employee Requests

Requests for transfer made by any school employee for his or her own child(ren) will be accepted prior to any other requests for student transfer provided there is capacity in the grade level in the building as determined annually by the Board of School Trustees. If there is not adequate capacity in a grade level to accept all of the transfer requests, a verifiable random selection process will be conducted in a public meeting of the school board to determine who will be accepted.

Other Transfer Student Requests

If there is capacity remaining after the acceptance of school corporation employees' transfer requests, parents, guardians, or custodians who are not school corporation employees of Indiana students who do not reside in the Rossville Consolidated School District but who wish to enroll their child in the school corporation may request a transfer and will be considered for enrollment under the following conditions:

1. A student requesting transfer shall complete the Application for Transfer of Non-Resident Student and submit it to the Rossville Consolidated School District Superintendent's Office prior to the deadline for acceptance of transfers as determined by the school board. Transfers will be considered on a yearly basis.
2. The parent, guardian, custodian, or student agrees to provide his/her own transportation to and from the school.
3. Capacity for each grade level in each building as determined annually by the Board of School Trustees will be a consideration as to whether the student will be admitted or a verifiable random selection process will be necessary to determine who will be accepted. The random selection process will take place in a public meeting of the school board when the number of eligible transfer applicants exceeds the capacity of the grade level. When determining capacity space needed for resident students, current transfer students, siblings of such students, and employees' children will be taken into consideration.
4. When applicable, the parents, guardians, or custodians agree to pay the transfer tuition in a timely manner as established by the Superintendent.

Under no circumstances will a transfer student be accepted 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 ten (10) school days in the twelve (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 twelve (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.
5. The student has a history of unexcused absences and based upon the location of the student's residence, attendance of the student would be a problem if enrolled in the school corporation.

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.

The Board of School Trustees authorizes the Superintendent to accept all requests for a student to transfer into the Rossville Consolidated School District. If the transfer student is enrolled prior to the fall ADM count date, transfer tuition will not be required to be paid. If the cash transfer student is enrolled after the fall ADM count date, transfer tuition will be required to be paid.

LEGAL REFERENCE: I.C. 20-26-11-2
I.C. 20-26-11-6
I.C. 20-26-11-6.5
I.C. 20-26-11-32

DATE ADOPTED: June 5, 2001

DATE REVIEWED: February 21, 2006
May 12, 2015
March 5, 2019

DATE REVISED: August 19, 2008
July 7, 2009
June 1, 2010
August 6, 2013
August 8, 2017
September 11, 2018

Rossville Consolidated School District
TRANSFER REQUEST APPLICATION FOR NON-RESIDENT STUDENT

Student's Name: _____

Parent's Information:

_____	_____
Parent' Name	Parent's Telephone Number
_____	_____
Mailing Address	Physical Address
_____	_____
City, State, & Zip Code	City, State, & Zip Code

Transferring Information: {Provide information about the school you are transferring from:}

_____	_____
School Name	Last Semester Enrolled
_____	_____
Mailing Address	School's Telephone Number
_____	_____
City, State, & Zip Code	School Corporation

Student Information:

_____	_____	_____	_____
	Student's Age	Current Grade Level	Last Grade Completed

Please Respond to the Following Questions:

- Has the Student Been Suspended or Expelled for More than Ten (10) School Days In the Twelve (12) Months Preceding the Request for Transfer? Yes No
- Has the Student Been Suspended or Expelled for Possessing a Firearm, Deadly Weapon, Or Destructive Device in the Preceding Twelve (12) Months. Yes No
- Has the Student Been Suspended or Expelled for Causing Physical Injury to a Student, School Employee, or Visitor to the School. Yes No
- Has the Student Been Suspended or Expelled for Violating a Drug or Alcohol Rule. Yes No
- Has the Student a history of unexcused absences and based upon the location of the student's residence, attendance of the student would be a problem if enrolled in the school corporation. Yes No

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, please explain the circumstances on an attached sheet of paper.

A student requesting transfer to either the middle school or the high school shall write a one page letter indicating why they want to transfer. Parents of an elementary school age child shall write a one page letter indicating why they are requesting the transfer.

Please sign below to authorize the Rossville School Officials to contact your school for further information about your child.

Student's Signature

Parent's Signature

Please Complete this Form and Return to: Superintendent
Rossville Consolidated School District
PO Box 11
Rossville, IN 46065-0011

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PRINCIPAL/ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM INTERVIEW FORM

This form will be completed by the principal after the receipt of the Transfer Request Application for Non-Resident Student.

Student's Name: _____

Parent's Information:

Parent's Name _____ Parent's Telephone Number _____
Mailing Address _____ Physical Address _____
City, State, & Zip Code _____ City, State, & Zip Code _____

Requesting Transfer From: _____

Student Information:

Student's Age _____ Student's Current Grade Level _____ Last Grade Completed _____

Student-Parent-School Interview

Date of Interview: _____

Individuals involved in the interview: _____

- The principals initials indicate a positive response to the statement.
Copy of Board Policy has been provided to the parents _____ (Principal Initials)
Student/Parent has the ability to transport the student to/from school ensuring the student will be on time and picked up promptly _____ (Principal Initials)
The student has not been suspended or expelled for more than ten (10) school days in the twelve (12) months preceding the request for transfer? _____ (Principal Initials)
The student has not been suspended or expelled for possessing a firearm, deadly weapon, or destructive device in the preceding twelve (12) months. _____ (Principal Initials)
The student has not been suspended or expelled for causing physical injury to a student, school employee, or visitor to the school. _____ (Principal Initials)
The student has not been suspended or expelled for violating a drug or alcohol rule. _____ (Principal Initials)
The student does not have a history of unexcused absences and based upon the location of the student's residence, attendance of the student would not be a problem if enrolled in the school corporation. _____ (Principal Initials)
Grade level enrollment can accommodate the student's enrollment _____ (Principal Initials)
The transfer is not for athletic reasons _____ (Principal Initials)

Administrator Recommendation: _____ (Approved) _____ (Denied)

Superintendent Recommendation: _____ (Approved) _____ (Denied)

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RESPONSIBILITIES FORM FOR NON-RESIDENT TRANSFER STUDENT

I, _____, am accepting full responsibility, including financial responsibilities,
(Print name of parent/legal guardian)

as the parent/legal guardian of _____, for the _____ school year.
(Print name of student) (School year)

If the transfer is approved, I agree to the following conditions:

1. The student shall comply with all conditions as set forth in the Board of Education Policy Manual, including but not limited to Section 516 - Transfer Students, and the Student/Parent Handbook for the respective school which applying.
2. The student shall provide his/her own transportation to and from the school.
3. The student must be able to arrive on time and be picked up immediately following school dismissal or immediately following the conclusion of the school sponsored activity in which the student participates.
4. The student and parent are acknowledging that the reason for the transfer is not for athletic reasons.

Parent's Information:

Parent' Name	Parent's Telephone Number
Mailing Address	Physical Address
City, State, & Zip Code	City, State, & Zip Code
Parent SS #	Parents Date of Birth

Parent's Signature

Student's Signature

Please Complete this Form and Return to:

Superintendent
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