



GREEN MOUNTAIN UNION HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

It is my pleasure to notify you of a unique opportunity for students of the GMUHS school district. The School Board, in accordance with state law, has adopted a school choice program for the 2010-2011 school year. Under this program a small number of students entering grades 9 through 12 will be able to enroll as full-time students in the school of several communities. Students who enroll under this program will be allowed to remain as full-time students at the receiving school until graduation. Below are answers to some basic questions you might have. For further information, please contact the GMUHS Principal, Tom Ferenc.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? Any child residing in Chester, Andover, Cavendish or Proctorsville who would be in grades 9 through 12 for the 2010-2011 school year.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A FULL-TIME STUDENT? Your child would be enrolled as though he/she was a resident student of that community. He/she would be eligible to participate, on an equal basis, in all school programs both academic and extracurricular.

CAN MY CHILD ATTEND ANY OTHER SCHOOL THROUGH THIS PROGRAM? This program currently is available only for schools that have entered into formal agreements. Applications for public high school students residing in the communities in the southeastern section of Vermont are now available. For details and an application you may contact your local middle/high school principal or your local Superintendent of Schools.

MY CHILD RECEIVES SPECIAL SERVICES. IS HE/SHE ELIGIBLE? Yes. All students are eligible. Any excess costs involved in providing services to your child will be paid by your home district.

WHAT IF MORE STUDENTS APPLY FOR PARTICIPATION THAN THERE ARE SPACES AVAILABLE? Under the agreement, there are limits placed on both the number of students who can leave a school as well as the number of students who can be accepted into a school. If the number of applicants exceeds any of these limits, participating students will be selected by a blind lottery. Individual schools involved in this agreement will make public its school limitations for transferring in or out of that respective school.

WILL TRANSPORTATION BE PROVIDED? No. Transportation to a non-resident school is the responsibility of the parent.

ARE THERE TIME DEADLINES? Yes. Application to transfer to a non-resident school must be made NO LATER THAN February 14 without exception, of the year preceding the year that this agreement is applicable.

MY CHILD IS ALREADY ENROLLED IN ANOTHER SCHOOL UNDER SCHOOL CHOICE. DO I NEED TO DO ANYTHING? No. Your child is not affected by this year's selection process.

HOW DOES MY CHILD APPLY? Application forms are available at the GMUHS offices and at the Office of the Superintendent. Completed applications should be returned to the resident school office on or before the above deadline of February 14.

HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF THESE HIGH SCHOOLS? To receive a program of studies and other written information about each school, contact the respective Guidance Office at the schools. Participating school districts and supervisory unions are: Hartford, Rivendell, Rutland Windsor, Springfield, Windham Central, Windham Northeast, Windham Southeast, Windham Southwest, Windsor Central, Windsor Southeast, and Windsor Southwest.

WINDSOR SOUTHWEST VERMONT SCHOOL CHOICE APPLICATION

To Students and Parents: Please complete the information below and submit to your high school principal. The principal will forward the application to the school indicated. That school will then process the application and let you know if your application was accepted.

- Due Dates:
1. Application for transfer, without exception, is due through February 14.
 2. Application to receiving school by March 1.
 3. Notification of acceptance takes place by April 1.
 4. Student must accept transfer by April 15.

Student Name: _____	Date: _____
Address: _____	DOB: _____

Legal Town of Residence: _____	Telephone: _____
Name of School Currently Attending: _____	

I would like to attend the following school for the 201__ - 201__ school year.	
Name of High School _____	
Entering Grade: _____	
Student Signature: _____	Date: _____
Parent Signature: _____	Date: _____
Principal Signature: _____	Date: _____
(Principal to forward copy of application to principal of the School of Choice)	

To be completed by the Principal of the School of Choice

___	Student has been accepted as a Choice Student for the 201__ school year in grade _____
___	Student has not been accepted as a Choice Student for the following reasons:
Principal Signature: _____	Date: _____
(School of Choice principal to send copy to: Student/parents/home school principal)	

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