

2013-14 KENT ISD SCHOOLS OF CHOICE

(Student resides within Kent County)

Available openings	Kentwood Public Schools will be accepting 150 students Kindergarten through 9 th grade
Application period	April 8 through May 31, 2013 <i>One application per student, per year may be submitted to <u>one</u> school district. You may indicate a second choice and third choice on your application. (If you apply to more than one district you may be disqualified for all districts that year.)</i>
Selection process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ If the district receives more than 150 applications, a lottery/random draw will be conducted. If your application is not selected by your first choice district, AND there are openings at your second and third choice districts, your application will be forwarded to your second and/or third choice districts. ➤ Waiting lists will be created at choice districts after the lottery/random draw and parents will be notified if spaces become available. ➤ Siblings of students previously accepted under the Schools of Choice Program and currently attend KPS will be assigned to open spots before a random draw begins.
Notification process	You will be notified by mail no later than <u>June 14, 2013</u> if your child/children are selected or not selected.
Key program points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ You do not need to reapply every year. After you are accepted, you will be allowed continuous enrollment in that district until graduation or until you withdraw from that district at which time you may return to your resident district. ➤ Accepted students must agree to comply with choice district policies. ➤ Transportation is NOT provided for Schools of Choice students. Parents must provide their own transportation to and from school for children accepted for enrollment through the Kent ISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Plan. ➤ According to the Michigan High School Athletic Association students accepted into the Schools of Choice program who are in grades 10-12 will not be eligible to participate in sports for one semester – until the second half of the school year. ➤ The only limit on movement between school districts for an applicant to the Kent ISD Collaborative Schools of Choice Plan is the space available in the desired district and/or the Choice student’s suspension or expulsion record.
HOW TO APPLY	<p>Print and complete application from the website. Deliver by person, fax to 616 455-4476 or mail to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Kentwood Public Schools Attn: Delisa Benfield 5820 Eastern Ave. SE Kentwood MI 49508</p> <p>(Reminder: we must receive your application in the mail or in person no later than <u>May 31, 2013</u>)</p> <p>You may also come into the KPS Administration Building and complete the application. Hours are 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. M-F</p>
Questions?	<p>Contact Delisa Benfield at 616 455-4400 ext. 79927 or delisa.benfield@kentwoodps.org</p>

Application for 2013-14

Kent Intermediate School District Collaborative Schools of Choice Program

- **One application form per child** must be received at the Central Office of your first choice school district **by 4:00 pm May 31, 2013.**
- Questions should be directed to the Central Office of the first choice district.
- Your application will be forwarded to alternate choice districts if necessary.
- **Do not submit separate applications to alternate choice districts in Kent ISD.**

District of choice: KENTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS	Second District of Choice:	
Grade entering next semester:	Third District of Choice:	
Student Information		
Student Name:	Birthdate:	
Address:	Parent's Email:	
City/State/Zip:	Home Phone:	
Resident District:	Work Phone:	
Parent / Guardian:		
School District and Building Currently Attending:		
Has your child ever been expelled from school? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please explain:		
Has your child been suspended from any school in the last two years? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please explain:		
K-12 Sibling Information		
Is this student residing with a sibling currently attending the choice district? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		
Sibling Name	Ever suspended or expelled?	Entering Grade
Please explain any sibling suspensions/expulsions:		
Parent Signature		
By signing below I acknowledge that I have been provided a copy of, and accept the policies and regulations of the Kent ISD Schools of Choice Program. I also understand that incomplete, inaccurate or false information I have provided may invalidate the transfer. If my child is accepted as a Schools of Choice student, I also understand that transportation shall be my sole responsibility.		
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:	
Student Signature (if 18 or older):	Date:	
Choice District Signature		
The Kent Intermediate School District and constituent local districts comply with all federal state laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination, and with all requirements and regulations of the United State Department of Education and the Michigan Department of Education. The following signature indicates acceptance of the student:		
Authorized Signature:	Date:	

Copies to: Receiving District, Resident District, Parent