Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District Policy 96 Cricket Hill, Hyde Park, VT 05655

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In-District Transfer Policy

It is the policy of the Lamoille North Modified Unified Union School District (LNMUUSD) that we acknowledge that the parents' and guardians' perception of what is beneficial for their child is valid and valuable information, especially at the elementary school level. We further acknowledge that the ultimate goal of our schools is to provide the best possible education to each child by utilizing all the resources available to us. Therefore, a system allowing student transfer among the four elementary schools within the LNMUUSD will be implemented in accordance with the parameters outlined.

Definitions:

<u>Transfer:</u> Enrollment in one of the four participating LNMUUSD elementary schools (Eden Central

School, Hyde Park Elementary School, Johnson Elementary School, and Waterville

Elementary school) other than the school of residence

Elementary: Grades PreK - 6

<u>Sending school:</u> The home school of a participating student Receiving school: The school chosen by a participating student

Eligible student: Any elementary student residing in towns that make up LNMUUSD

<u>Transfer student:</u> A student that is participating in this program and is attending a receiving school, which

is not in the student's home school attendance area

Implementation of In-District Transfer Program:

LNMUUSD shall permit students to attend an in-district elementary school other than their home school based on residency with the following limitations:

- 1. Students must be eligible for enrollment in their home school attendance area in order to be eligible for enrollment in this school transfer program.
- 2. Transfer students must be accepted on a nondiscriminatory basis.
- 3. Transfer requests may be denied if the requested transfer would have negative impacts on class size or staffing at the sending or receiving school, or due to other extenuating circumstances. The determination of approval or denial will be made by the Superintendent's Office.
- 4. Each transfer student shall be assured the opportunity for enrollment in that school until matriculation to 7th grade for as long as the student continues to reside in the LNMUUSD. Each transfer student will need to notify the district using the applicable district form by April 15th that the student intends to continue to attend the transfer school of enrollment.
- 5. Students participating in the in-district transfer program do not need to reapply for subsequent years.
- 6. Provision will be made for siblings to attend the same school, at the option of the parents/guardians. Parents/guardians need to notify the district by April 15th of the intent for any siblings to also transfer.
- 7. Transportation is the responsibility of the student's family and will not be provided to students participating in the in-district transfer program.

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- 8. Requests for consideration must be made in writing, using the established district form, by April 15th.
- 9. The requests will be considered based on impacts outlined in number three (3) above or in light of any other extenuating circumstances. The superintendent will make decisions regarding an application by May 15th. If there are more applicants than available slots in a given school or grade level, a blind lottery will be used to select students for transfer. parents will be notified in writing as soon as the decision has been made.
- 10. A parent who disputes the determination made by the superintendent in accordance with the above process is entitled to request board review of the decision. The board's determination will be considered final.
- 11. Students that participate in this program and attend a different elementary school than their home school of residence will be expected to remain at the new location through the remainder of the particular school year, unless there are extenuating circumstances to be considered by the superintendent.
- 12. Only transfer requests made by the deadline established in (8) above will be considered. No transfer requests will be considered after that date and will not considered mid-year.

Legal Reference(s): Cross Reference:
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