

Zone Facts

ROCKFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #205

DEFINITION OF ZONES

On February 13, 2007 the Board of Education approved a new Student Assignment Plan based on zones for middle schools and high schools. The zone plan requires incoming 6th and 9th grade students to attend their Attendance Zone schools. 7th, 10th or 11th grade students who attended schools outside of their Zones during the 2007-2008 school year will be allowed to finish their middle or high school years at their current school. Kindergarten students will continue to be assigned by the current choice process for the 2008-2009 school year.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

- CHOICE will be available for Special Programs in the High Schools: JROTC (Auburn), Building Trades Program (East), Machine Tool Program (Jefferson), Gifted and CAPA (Auburn).
- CHOICE will be available for Special Programs in the Middle Schools: CAPA (Ellis), Gifted (West), Montessori, Two-Way Language Immersion (Barbour).
- ▶ *If a student drops out of a special program the student will be allowed to finish the school year at the current school with NO transportation but must return to his/her zone school the following year. If transportation is needed, the student must return to his/her zone school at the quarter. Transportation will be provided until the transfer at end of the quarter.*

BILINGUAL PROGRAM

- The Middle School Bilingual Program has moved the 6th grade students to EISENHOWER for the 2007-2008 school year and will move the remaining grades from Lincoln to Eisenhower as space becomes available.
- The High School Bilingual Program will move from East to GUILFORD in the 2008-2009 school year.

REVERSE SIBLING

- For the 2008-2009 school year, 8TH GRADE STUDENTS with a sixth grade sibling attending their new zone school may request a transfer to that school. Transfers will occur only if a seat is available at the zone school.
- For the 2008-2009 school year, JUNIOR AND SENIOR STUDENTS with a freshman sibling attending their new zone school may request a transfer to that school. Transfers will occur only if a seat is available at the zone school.

TRANSPORTATION

- Transportation will be provided to 6TH AND 9TH GRADERS whose sitters/daycare are within their school's zone.
- ▶ *If a student is assigned to a zone school and moves after the school year has started, the student will be allowed to finish the school year at the current school with NO transportation but must return to his/her zone school the following year. If transportation is needed, the student must go to his/her zone school.*