



**SCHOOLS OF CHOICE APPLICATION
2016/17 SCHOOL YEAR**

Student's Name _____ Grade in **2016/17** _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Parent/Guardian's Address _____

Telephone (Home) _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Student's current school district _____ Telephone _____
(Name) (Address)

Please list any sibling(s) [names and grades] _____

***** THE FOLLOWING SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED *****

- Has the student been suspended in the last two years (including in-school suspensions) or *ever* been expelled from school?
Yes ____ No ____
- If yes, give detail below. If additional space is needed for explanation, please attach another page.
Date _____ Reason _____
- Are charges for suspension or expulsion pending against the student? Yes ____ No ____
- Has this student been convicted of a felony? Are there any felony charges pending? Yes ____ No ____
- *Does the student currently receive special education services or related services (i.e. speech, OT, PT)? Yes ____ No ____
- Does the student currently receive services under Section 504? Yes ____ No ____
- Please describe the services provided in item #5 or #6 above. _____

(*Please see item #9 on reverse side)

The Schools of Choice guidelines are on the reverse side of this form

By signing below, I certify all of the information provided above to be true, and I acknowledge and accept the policies and stipulations of Bath Community School District's Schools of Choice program. I understand untrue or incomplete information will disqualify and remove the applicant from Bath Community School District's program and the student will be immediately returned to his/her home school.

I give Bath Community Schools permission to send for and receive all school records including any disciplinary action records or withdrawals to avoid such action.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Return this form to: Bath Community Schools, Shannon Proctor, Central Office, PO Box 310, Bath, Michigan 48808,

Fax: 517-641-6958 or by email: sproctor@bathschoools.net

APPLICATIONS MAY BE RECEIVED January 6, through January 19, 2017

OFFICE USE ONLY	
Verification of Application Information Completed by: _____	Date _____
Building/Grade Placement _____	Approved _____ Denied _____
_____	Principal's Initials
Ronald J. Huffman, Jr., Superintendent	

GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOLS OF CHOICE

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. Applications are being accepted for incoming 3rd, 4th, 6th- 11th grade students for the 2016/17 school year.
2. The buildings available for Schools of Choice students and the number of spaces in each building will be determined by the Bath Community School District.
3. Priority will be given for siblings to attend.
4. If applicants exceed spaces available, a **lottery** will be held as specified by state law (*School Aid Act 388.1705 and .88.1705c*) **January 20, 2017**. All applicants will be notified of their enrollment **status** no later than **January 20, 2017**.
5. If your name is not drawn in the lottery for admission to Bath Community Schools, we will maintain your name on a **waiting list** and **notify** you if additional space becomes available.
6. All applications will be screened for accurate information. This may involve contacting the former school district.
7. Your acceptance is conditional until Bath Community Schools receives and reviews all school reports.
8. The Bath Community School District **registration** process for selected students must be **completed by Friday, January 27, 2017**. If students are not registered by that date, the Bath Community School District will assume that the application for Schools of Choice has been withdrawn and will offer the position to the next eligible student.
9. a.) If your child is currently eligible for special education services and *you reside outside of the Clinton County RESA area*, (outside of Bath, Dewitt, St. Johns, Fowler, Pewamo-Westphalia, Ovid-Elsie) the Bath Community School District is required to secure a cooperative agreement regarding reimbursement for special education costs from your resident district in order to register your child in our school district.
b.) If *you reside outside of the Clinton County RESA area*, (outside of Bath, Dewitt, St. Johns, Fowler, Pewamo-Westphalia, Ovid-Elsie), and your child is found to be eligible for special education services *after* admission to the Bath Community School District, please be advised that the district is required to obtain a cooperative agreement regarding reimbursement for special education costs from your resident district in order for your child to remain in our school district.
10. Once registered, students may remain in the Bath Community School District until graduation if the student complies with all guidelines for Schools of Choice. The only exceptions are cited in 9b above or under *Code of Conduct* below.
11. Athletic eligibility at the secondary level may be affected. Students who transfer by choice from one school to another and do not otherwise satisfy the MHSAA transfer regulations are ineligible for interscholastic athletics for one full semester. Questions concerning athletic eligibility should be directed to Erik Harrelson, Athletic Director at 517-641-6724.

ATTENDANCE

Students are expected to arrive and depart from school on time. It is expected that parents will pick up students on time when they are attending an after school or evening event.

CODE OF CONDUCT

All Student Code of Conduct rules, procedures, and policies will apply to all students who enter Bath Community Schools under the Schools of Choice guidelines and procedures (see student handbooks).

TRANSPORTATION

Parents of Schools of Choice (SOC) students are expected to provide transportation to and from school for their students. SOC parents may arrange with our Transportation Department for pick up and drop off locations within our district boundaries. Please contact the Transportation Department at 517-641-6723 for details and transportation forms.

TIMELINES

Applications begins	January 6, 2017
Application deadline	January 19, 2017
Lottery date	January 20, 2017
Notification date	January 20, 2017
Non-Resident Students must register by	January 27, 2017

QUESTIONS

You may contact Shannon Proctor or Margie Sisson at Bath Community Schools at 517-641-6721 or email sproctor@bathschoools.net, if you have any questions regarding our Schools of Choice program.