



## ***Choose TUHSD*** **Open Enrollment FAQs**

### **What is open enrollment?**

Open enrollment enables Arizona students to attend public schools outside their district attendance areas or outside their district of residence and is open to all Arizona students.

### **How can I apply for open enrollment?**

Parents may submit a completed open enrollment application for the next school year to their school of choice. The open enrollment application may be downloaded from the TUHSD district website ([www.tuhsd.org](http://www.tuhsd.org); click on “Helpful Hints”). Open enrollment applications may also be obtained at any TUHSD school.

### **Is there a deadline to apply for the next school year?**

Applications are due on or before March 1.

### **Do all TUHSD schools participate?**

Yes, with the exception of school(s) that have reached capacity. Capacity estimates for each school shall be made available to the public in January of each year. Currently, Copper Canyon High School, Tolleson Union High School, and Westview High School have reached capacity and are not accepting open enrollment applications. The exception is for a limited number of incoming freshman students who wish to enroll in the JROTC program at either Tolleson Union High School or Westview High School.

### **My child is currently attending a TUHSD school under open enrollment. Do I need to reapply for the following school year?**

Yes. Students currently attending under open enrollment need to reapply each year for the following school year. Applications for continuing students will be made available at your child’s school December 1 and must be completed and returned to the school’s Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction on or before March 1.

### **Once I have submitted the application, when will I receive notice of my child’s status?**

Parents will receive written notification by mail of the outcome of their application on or before May 1. Open enrollment status is not determined on a first-come, first-served basis. Everyone who applies during the open enrollment period has the same opportunity for acceptance. Applications received after the open enrollment period has ended will be accepted and placed on a waiting list. Notification of space availability will be made as soon as possible.

### **Can my child’s open enrollment status be revoked once granted?**

At the end of each semester, the Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction will complete an Open Enrollment Continuation Rubric. Open enrollment status can be revoked based on discipline, attendance issues, and/or discontinuation of the JROTC program (TUHS/WHS only) by a freshman who enrolls in the program and during his/her four-year enrollment in TUHSD. Parents will receive written notification from the school’s principal if their child’s open enrollment has been revoked due to these issues.

### **Is bus transportation provided for open enrollment students?**

Transportation for students accepted on open enrollment is the responsibility of the parents.

**Will my open enrollment student be able to play high school sports?**

Students enrolling under the open enrollment process may not be eligible for participation in Arizona Interscholastic Association events. Interested students and parents should contact the Assistant Principal for Athletics at the school they wish to attend for more information.

**What happens if we originally resided in a TUHSD school's attendance boundary and then moved outside of the school's boundary?**

A student currently attending a TUHSD school who lives in that boundary and then moves out of the school's boundary must complete and submit an updated open enrollment application within 10 days of the change in residence. Failure to complete this process may result in the student being withdrawn at the end of a semester.