

# Walton-Verona Independent Schools Out-Of-District Selection Process

The Walton-Verona Independent School District offers tuition enrollment to students living outside the district who meet the Out-Of-District enrollment criteria. Enrollment for Out-Of-District students is provided only if current staffing and physical space allow.

Admission offers are made to Out-Of-District students based on a comprehensive evaluation of their application, as set forth by the Walton-Verona Board of Education and the administration of the Walton-Verona Independent Schools. Applicants are selected following an extensive review process that evaluates school attendance, school-based behavior, academic achievement, accomplishments, and other information contained in the application. Applications are reviewed for qualifications, required test scores, and demonstrated academic and non-academic achievements. Below is a list of district-approved criteria that are considered.

Out-Of-District students, if accepted, are admitted for one (1) school year only. At the end of each school year, the superintendent/designee shall review the overall performance of the student, including, but not limited to, the student's academics and behavior, to determine continued enrollment. The superintendent/designee shall also evaluate the course and conduct of the student and the student's parent/custodian/guardian with the school, the Walton-Verona Independent School District, administration, and district personnel to determine the enrollment status for the following school year. "Course and conduct" in this section generally refers to any actions the district deems disruptive or harmful to the school, district, administration, school personnel, board members or students; hostile, combative conduct or communications; conduct or communications which are disrespectful, false, defamatory, misleading, threatening, endorse violence, are illegal or inappropriate.

### Criteria Used in Walton-Verona's Comprehensive Review

- 1. Grades/GPA. These grades should be submitted from the student's previous school. The student must have at least a 'B' average in all Core Content Areas: English (Reading/Language Arts), Math, Science and Social Studies.
- 2. Test scores. These scores should be submitted from the student's previous school. Primary students will also be required to take an entrance exam to determine if current staffing can meet their needs.
- 3. School Attendance. Two or more years of school-based attendance data should be submitted, if available. The student must have an exemplary attendance record.
- 4. School-based behavior. Two or more years of school-based behavior data should be submitted, if available. The student must have an exemplary behavior record.
- 5. Special Talents, Achievements, Affiliations, and Awards. Consideration of special talents, significant achievements, and awards that demonstrate the applicant's ability to positively impact the Walton-Verona Independent Schools community.

It is the responsibility of the family/student to supply the above-mentioned information. Failure to do so may negatively impact your child's application.

**Complete** Out-Of-District applications must be submitted to Walton-Verona Independent Schools by May 30<sup>th</sup> for the beginning of the next school year. Out-Of-District applications will not be considered for mid-year entrance.

### **Frequently Asked Questions about the Admissions Process**

### How much is tuition for one year?

Full tuition for the next four (4) academic years is as follows:

| School Year   | Annual Tuition Per Student |
|---|----------------------------|
| 2023-2024   | \$2000.00                  |
| 2024-2025   | \$2100.00                  |
| 2025-2026   | \$2200.00                  |
| *Amounts are subject to change at the discretion of the Walton-Verona Independent Board of Education. |                            |

## How do you make your admissions decisions?

We employ a comprehensive review of the applicants. Each application receives an in-depth, holistic review by the superintendent/designee. Admissions offers are made to the applicants within the constraints of physical space/staffing levels.

## Does it matter when I apply?

Applications should be received by May 30<sup>th</sup> for the upcoming school year.

### When will I be notified if my child has been accepted?

For <u>re-admission</u> of current out-of-district students, notices will be sent by June 30<sup>th</sup> as to enrollment status in WVISD.

For <u>new admissions</u>, high school and middle school students will be notified by July 31<sup>st</sup>. For elementary applicants, our goal is to notify parents at least 2 weeks prior to the start of the school year. However, at times, it is necessary to delay this notification if the number of in-district enrollments jeopardizes our classroom capacity requirements. Be aware that elementary notices have potential to be sent after the start of the school year.

#### Does Walton-Verona have a waitlist?

No. If a student does not gain enrollment for the current school year, the student will be required to reapply the following school year.

#### Can tuition students lose their enrollment?

YES. Tuition students may lose their enrollment if they are tardy, have excessive absences, demonstrate poor academic performance, fail to pay tuition in a timely manner, or display behavior problems. If enrollment is revoked, parents will be notified by the last day of the school year.

## Can Out-Of-District students ride district transportation?

NO. Out-Of-District students are not allowed to ride district buses. Walton-Verona Independent Schools will not run bus routes into other school district territories. Parents are responsible for transporting out-of-district students to and from school. Out-Of-District students may ride district transportation for field trips/athletics.

#### How do I apply?

- Download the letter and tuition application from the district website below: Walton-Verona Enrollment Information
- 2. Complete the application. Ensure all information is complete, including your home school district and test scores. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- 3. Submit the completed application to Walton-Verona Independent Schools, 16 School Road, Walton, KY 41094.
- 4. If further information is needed, Central Office will be in contact.