

Students

OPEN ENROLLMENT ACT TRANSFERS

PARENTAL NOTIFICATION:
OPTION TO TRANSFER

[Date]

To the parents/guardians of students at [name] School:

On January 7, 2010, California adopted an Open Enrollment Act in an effort to compete for Federal funding through the *Race to the Top* funds. The intent of the Act was to give parents of children attending the 1,000 lowest achieving schools in the state the opportunity to attend another school for the 2011-2012 school year. Due to parameters and restrictions in the bill defining how the list of 1,000 schools was developed, some schools with high API (Academic Performance Index) scores are included.

The California State Department has designated [name] School as one of the 1,000 schools, even though the school's API of "[API score]" ranks as one of the top in the state. An API of "800" is the statewide performance target established in the 1999 Public School Accountability Act.

This letter is to inform parents that they may apply for a district transfer for any child enrolled at [name] School to attend a school in our district or another district that has a higher score on the Academic Performance Index (API) for the [year] school year. Submission of an application to transfer must be submitted to the district office of the school district where you wish to enroll your child prior to February 28, [year]. Please contact [name] School if you would like a transfer request. Parents or guardians are responsible for transportation of their student to the new school.

For more information about how the Open Enrollment List is created, please visit the CDE's web site: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/eo/op>. Any questions regarding the Open Enrollment Act can be directed to [principal] at [number] or the Superintendent, [name] at [number].

Sincerely,

[name]
Superintendent

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