

Resident Internal School Choice Details

Dear Fond du Lac School District Families,

The internal school choice application period for the Fond du Lac School District runs from Monday, February 2, 2026, to Thursday, April 30, 2026, at 4 PM. During this time, parents/guardians can apply for their child to attend a school outside their designated attendance area.

If your child has already been accepted under internal school choice and has remained continuously enrolled, reapplication is not required. Approval covers all school years in the requested building as long as appropriate attendance is maintained. **Please note: younger siblings are not automatically approved for school choice, even if an older sibling is already accepted and attending. A separate application must be submitted for each younger sibling to avoid placement at their home school.**

When reviewing internal school choice requests, the criteria shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- a. **Space Availability:** Transfers are subject to space availability at the receiving school.
- b. **Staffing Balance:** Staffing levels must remain reasonably balanced.
- c. **Approval Authority:** The Director of Pupil Services must approve all transfers and cancellations.
- d. **Parent/Guardian Responsibility:** Transportation is the responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- e. **Attendance Records:** Will be reviewed during the decision process.

Waitlist Process: Students denied school choice will be placed on a waiting list. If space becomes available, the district will use a random selection process.

Deadlines and Exceptions: The district voluntarily participates in this program. Applications submitted after **Thursday, April 30, 2026**, will not be considered until **June 2026**. Late applications will be reviewed case by case, subject to available space. No applications will be accepted after the school year begins, except in extenuating circumstances, which will also be reviewed individually.

How to Apply: Applications are available at all Fond du Lac elementary and middle schools and the Administration Center (72 W. 9th Street, Fond du Lac).

For questions, contact Wendy Burgess in the Pupil Services Department at (920) 906-6524.