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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Jefferson Parish Public School System believes that all children can learn and deserve a high-quality education that develops their unique talents and builds upon their individual strengths.

In accordance with Act 853 Louisiana Public School Choice Policy, we are informing you of the opportunity you have to enroll your child in a higher performing school. The school in which the student seeks to enroll must have open seats in the child's grade level. If you choose to take advantage of this school choice transfer opportunity, the following guidelines apply:

1. **TRANSFER REQUEST PROCESS:** Applications **must** be returned to the Compliance Office, no later than August 19, 2019.
2. **TRANSPORTATION/ATTENDANCE:** Transportation will not be provided by the District and is the responsibility of the parent.
3. **ADVANCED ACADEMIES/MAGNET PROGRAMS/CHARTERS:** Jefferson Parish Public School System Advanced Academies, Magnet Programs, and Charter Schools are not included as receiving schools for School Choice Transfer applicants. These schools operate as choice schools and have their own application process and entrance requirements.
4. **LHSAA ELIGIBILITY:** Students receiving approval for a School Choice Transfer are subject to LHSAA eligibility regulations. For more information, please contact JPPSS's Athletics, Health, and Physical Education Department at 504-349-8645.
5. **REMAINING AT RECEIVING SCHOOL:** Students on an approved Act 853 transfer may remain at the school until the terminal or last grade of the receiving school, unless the family moves to an attendance zone where the new school is a lower performing school.
6. **NEW RESIDENT:** Several levels and processes are involved in reaching a decision on a transfer request, therefore, once all open seats are filled students transferring into the Jefferson Parish Public Schools will not be considered for an Act 853 transfer until the beginning of the following year.

If you would like to apply for a transfer, applications will be available August 8th through August 19th on the website at jpschools.org and at the Compliance Office at 501 Manhattan Blvd., Harvey. If you have questions or concerns about the District's policy regarding Public School Choice, please contact, Gretchen Williams at gretchen.williams@jppss.k12.la.us or 504-365-5312.

Note: Enclosed you will find a list of eligible A, B, and C schools, however, this does not mean all schools will have open seats to admit transfer students. The list of schools with open seats will be finalized based on enrollment and staffing on or before August 30, 2019. Please select at least three (3) school choices to which you are interested in transferring your child.