

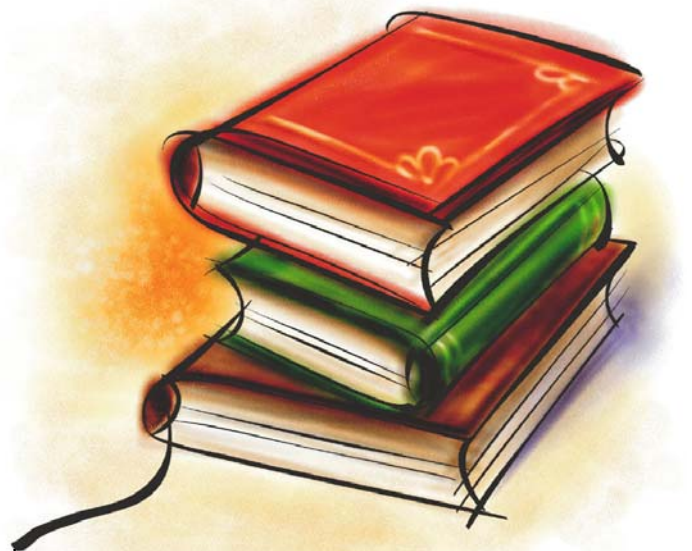
NCLB School Choice

2005-06

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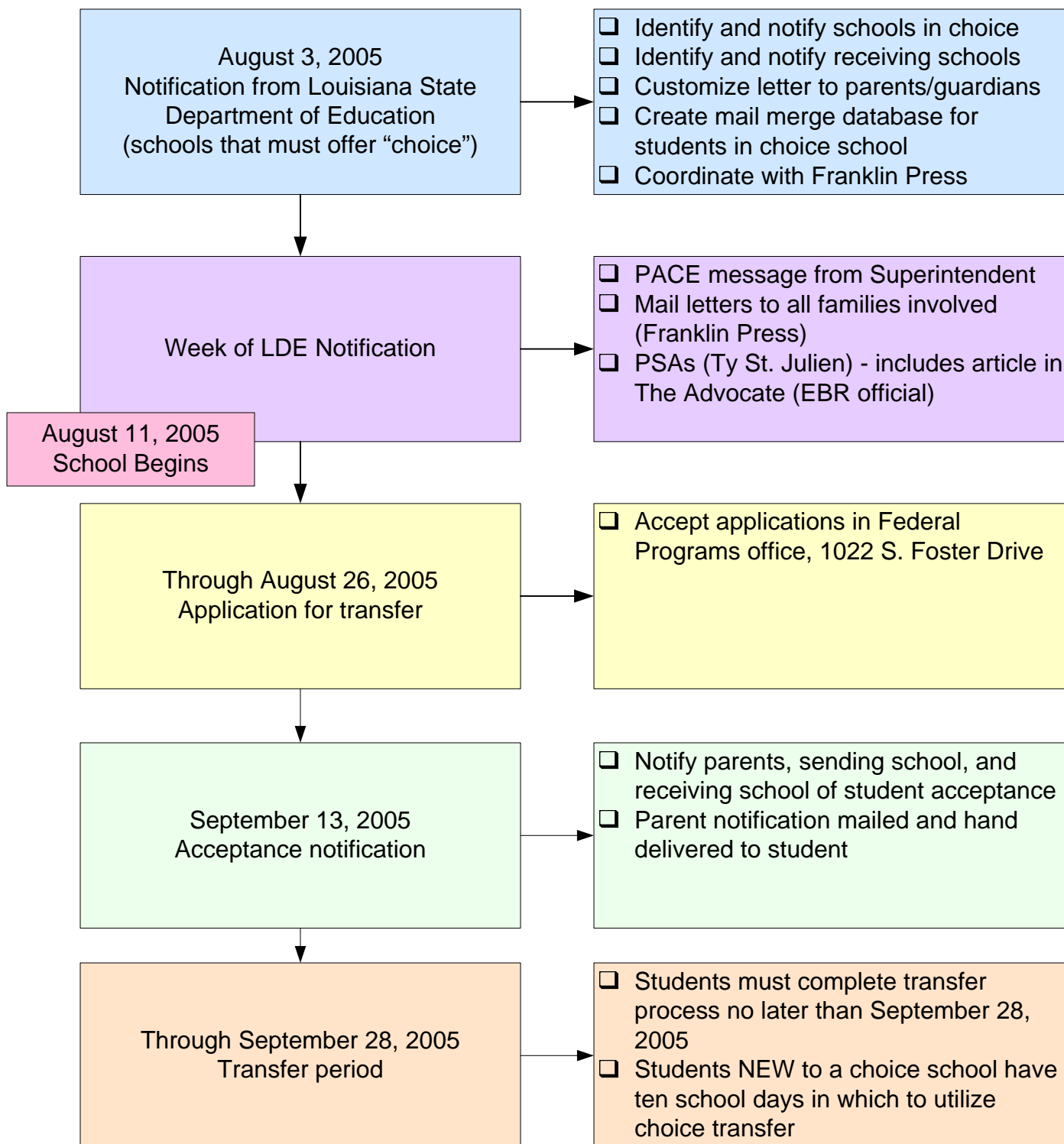
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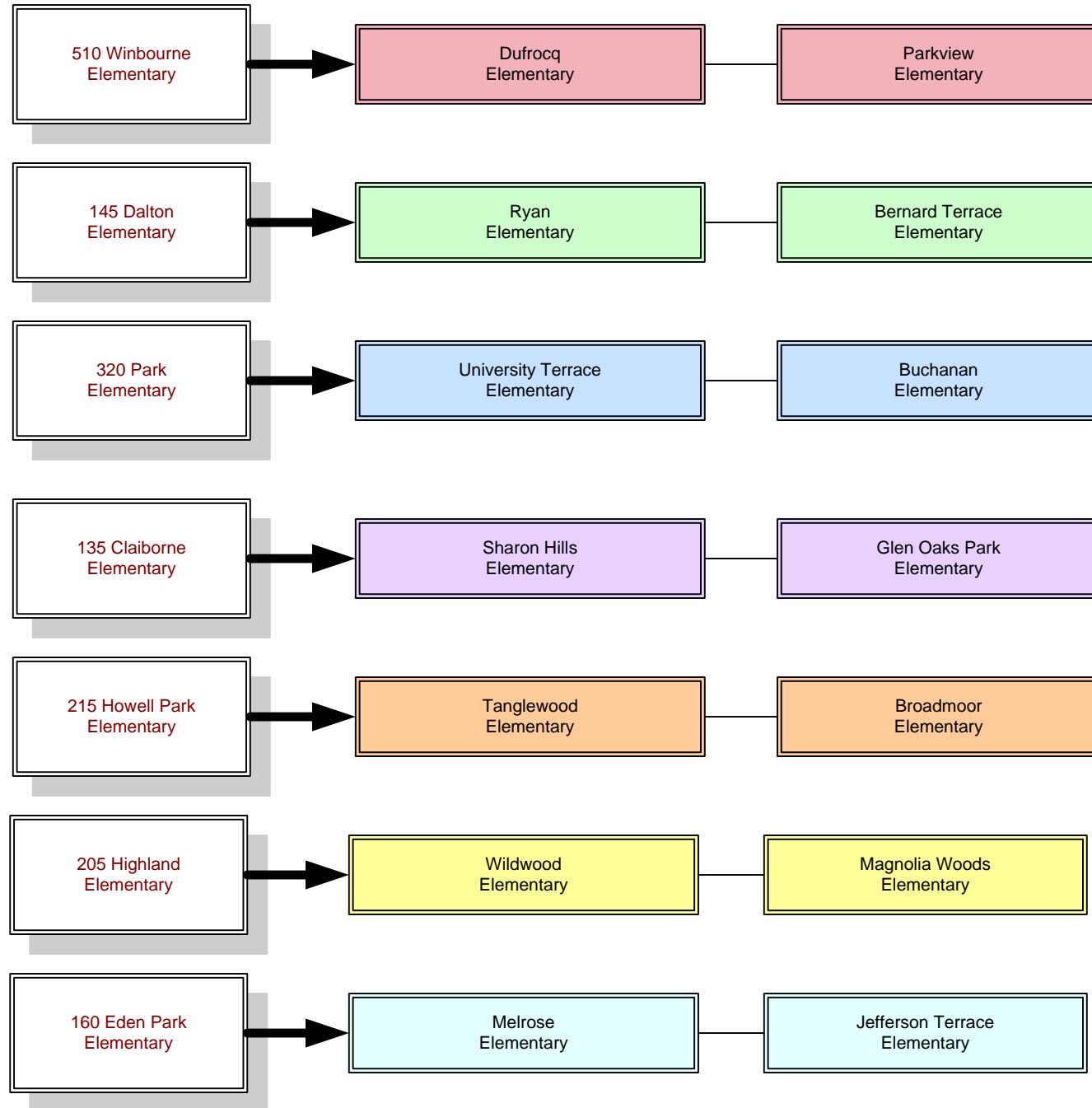
School Choice Timeline for 2005-06

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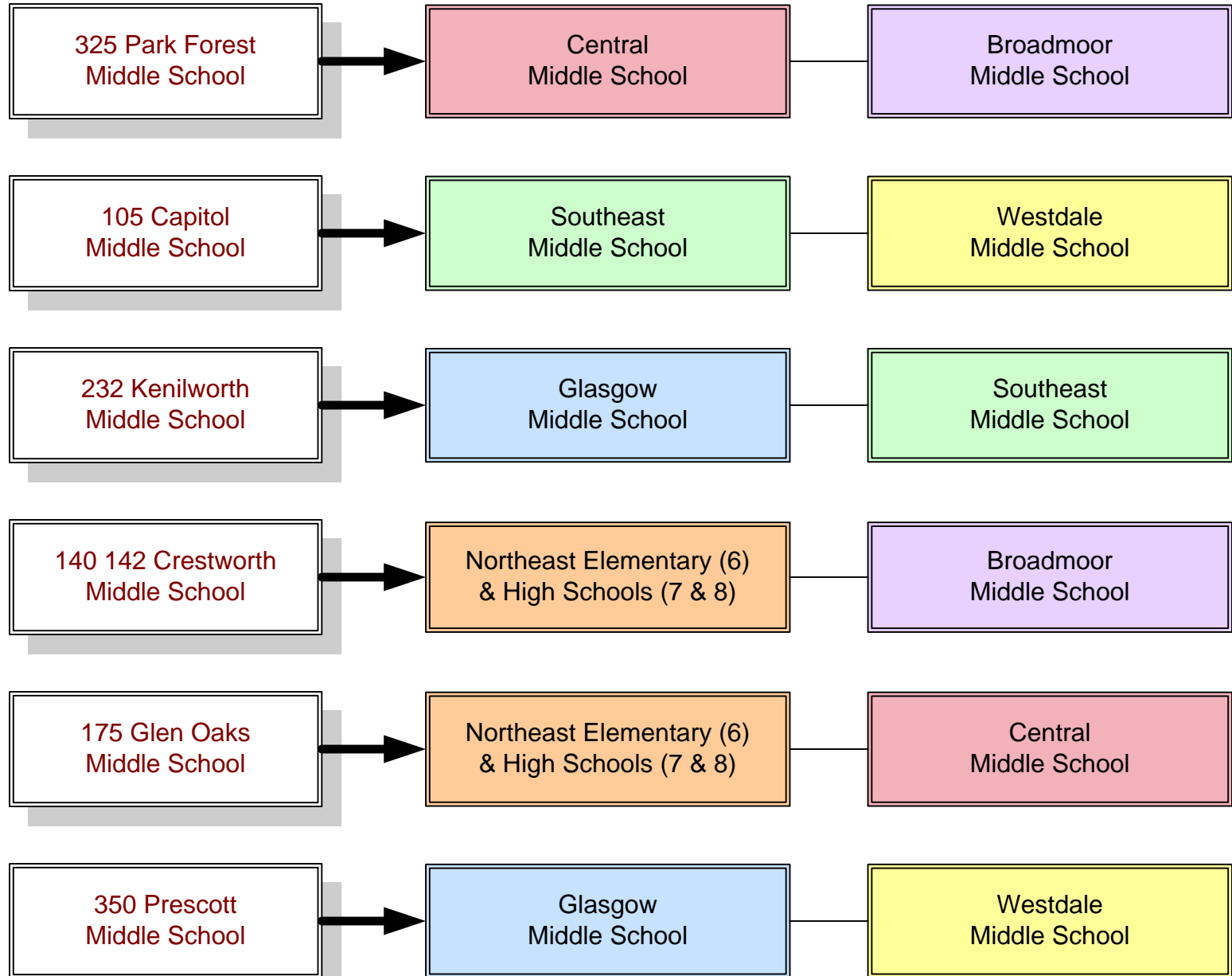
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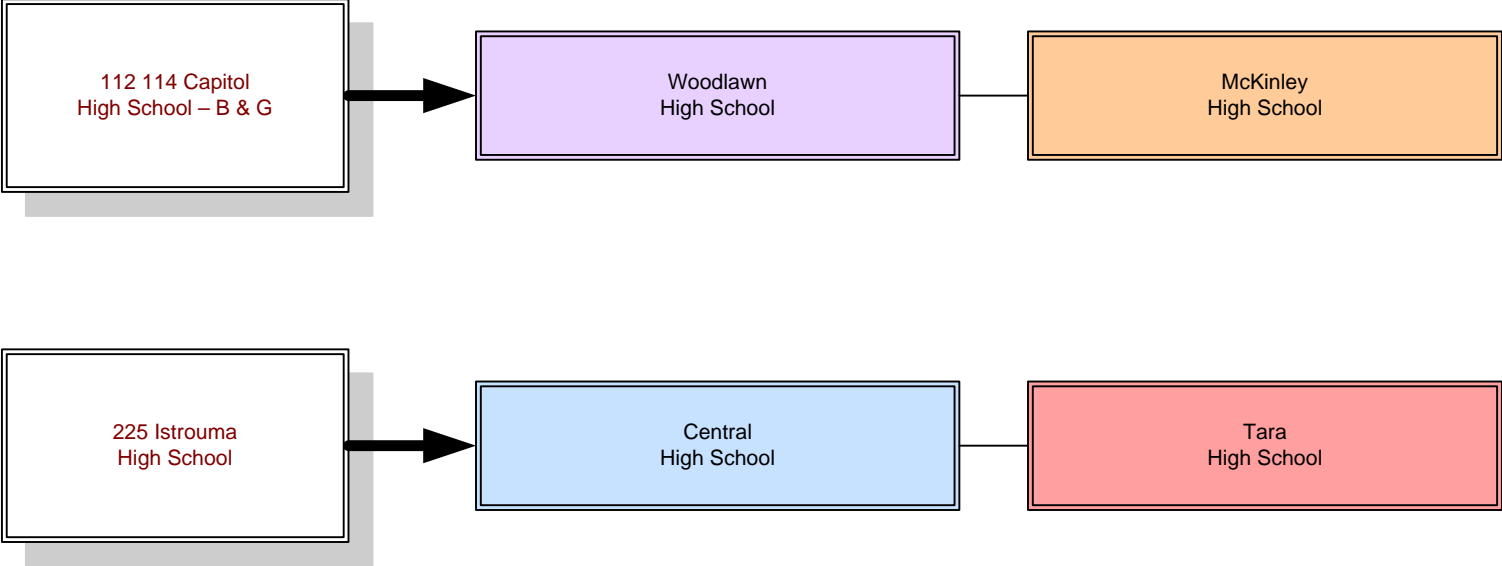
Elementary School "Choice" Options – 2005-06



Middle School "Choice" Options – 2005-06



High School "Choice" Options – 2005-06



NCLB Choice Process

Initial Notification

- Title I notifies parents of choice options through direct mail – mailing includes letter of explanation and application for choice transfer.

Choice Application

- Parents submit application to Title I no later than **August 26, 2005**.

Student Placement

- Title I places the students using the following procedure:
 - Count requests
 - Compare requests to available seats at receiving schools
 - Offers parents a choice transfer
- Limited space problems are resolved using the following criteria:
 - Free/Reduced Lunch
 - Academic Ranking (IOWA, LEAP, GPA)

Choice Transfer Acceptance Notification

- Issue acceptance notifications to parents by direct mail and hand delivery to students at home school no later than **September 13, 2005**. (A list will be sent to sending and receiving schools).

Student Registration Process

- Between **September 14 and 28, 2005**
 - Parent takes acceptance letter and approved application to home school.
 - Guidance makes and keeps a copy of the approved application.
 - Guidance drops the student using **Code 27** on the Entry/Withdrawal screen.
 - Student takes the acceptance letter, approved application, and drop slip to new school for registration.

****Choice students may NOT drop without approved application from Title I.**

****Choice students may NOT register without approved application from Title I.**

Procedure for students new to a “school choice” district

Parents may opt to transfer his/her child to one of the approved receiving schools if the child is new to the “school choice” district.

1. The parent shall be notified of transfer options by the school upon new student registration (issue a copy of the parent letter with attached application).
2. Application must be submitted to the NCLBA, Title I Office within a reasonable amount of time after registration (seven (7) days).
3. The parent shall be notified by the NCLBA, Title I Office within seven (7) days of approval or denial (with reasons).
4. Transfer must be completed by parent/student within ten (10) days of approval receipt by parent.

September 13, 2004

To the Parents of:

«studentname»

«building»

«lot» «street» «apartment»

«city», «state» «zipcode»

Your choice transfer to «Choice_Offered» is approved.

To take advantage of your *Choice* options, please:

1. Take this notification and the attached transfer form to your current home school and officially drop your child(ren) **BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2005.**
2. Register at the approved *Choice* school **NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.** (Your option to transfer will be void after that date).

Important facts to know:

1. Transportation will be provided by EBR, and bus information will be available upon registration at your *Choice* school.
2. A *choice* transfer is valid with transportation until the student's home school is no longer "Academically Unacceptable" or until the student completes the highest grade level of the school to which he or she transfers. Transportation information may be obtained by calling 226-3784.
3. Transfer students may return to the home attendance zone school at any point within the school year.
4. *Choice* transfers are granted only once per year.
5. Transfer students will be required to purchase and wear proper uniforms at the school to which he or she transfers.

Please contact Jan Noble at 922-5556 if you have any questions.