## ST. JAMES-ASSINIBOIA SCHOOL DIVISION

Great Schools for Growing and Learning

POLICY: JC

LL# 88345

EEAA EEAA-R JFAB-R IIB IIB-R

## **SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS**

Under normal circumstances a student will attend the designated neighborhood school in the catchment area where the family home is located. However, school admission policy in the Division shall be considered flexible in order to meet the requirements of the provincial schools-of-choice legislation. If a family wishes to send children to other schools within the Division, their requests shall be considered by the principal, providing there is space/seats available in the receiving school, and the parent provides the necessary transportation, if required.\* The number of seats in a classroom are different for grade levels as determined by provincial legislation and Division class size policy IIB. Principals, when considering these requests, must also take into consideration previous trends of student migration into the catchment area.

When there is a question of space/seat availability, principals shall maintain a waiting list, on a first-come, first-served basis, of any out-of-catchment, within Division and/or out-of-Division area students seeking admission. Out-of-Division students are only considered for admission once all students that live within the Division have been placed. Seat availability takes into consideration the following: the number of seats available according to provincial legislation, Division class size policy, and the actual physical space available in a school for each grade level as determined by the Principal.

Due to the specific <u>physical</u> space requirements of a Kindergarten classroom as outlined by the Province (larger area, washroom facilities), additional Kindergarten classrooms will be added only where there are sufficient in-catchment area registrations to warrant the additional classroom.

## Note:

- \* Transportation eligibility will be determined according to Policy EEAA as well as Regulations EEAA-R and JFAB-R. Non-resident students are not eligible for any divisional transportation services, nor will they be provided transportation allowances or subsidies in any form.
- \* Students already enrolled in a school out of the catchment area where the family home is located may transition to the next level within the same family of schools without making a special request. Transportation eligibility continues to be determined according to Policy EEAA as well as Regulations EEAA-R and JFAB-R.

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