

**January 27, 2021**

OUR VISION

The vision of the Paulding County School District is to provide a safe, healthy, supportive environment focused on learning and committed to high academic achievement. Through the shared responsibility of all stakeholders, students will be prepared as lifelong learners and as participating, contributing members of our dynamic and diverse community.

**Schools offering opportunities for HB 251 "Public School Choice" option:**

Elementary

**Baggett**

**Dallas**

**Dugan**

**Hiram**

**Hutchens**

**Nebo**

**New Georgia**

**Northside**

**Panther**

**Poole**

**Ragsdale**

Middle

**Austin**

**Dobbins**

**Jones**

**Ritch**

**Scoggins**

**South Paulding**

High

**EPHS**

**HHS**

**PCHS**

**SPHS**



## Parent School Choice Notification

Dear Parent or Guardian:

As the parent or guardian of a student currently enrolled in our school district, we are writing to notify you that under state law HB 251, you may request to transfer your child to another public school in the Paulding County School District for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year.

### Parent Responsibilities

As a parent or guardian, you may request to have your child transferred to another public school within your school district of residence if the school district has determined that there is available classroom space at the school after all assigned students have been enrolled. Please keep in mind that if you choose to transfer your child to another school in the district, the law requires you to assume all costs and responsibilities related to the transportation of your child to and from the school for as long as your child remains at that school.

School Choice requests for currently enrolled students in grades K-11 must be made through Parent Portal under the "More" option from the Index beginning at 9 a.m. on **February 1, 2021**, through 5 p.m. on **February 15, 2021**. For students who will be entering kindergarten for the 2021-22 school year, parents must complete the School Choice application beginning at 9 a.m. on **February 1, 2021**, through 5 p.m. on **February 15, 2021**. Parents will be notified of the status of their HB251 request via email prior to end of the 20-21 school year.

School choice requests will be reviewed and approved or denied based on a lottery in the event a particular school has available space but the number of transfer requests exceeds the remaining available capacity. Once available classroom space is reached at a school, no more school choice requests will be accepted for that school.

If you have questions or need clarification, please contact the Operations Department at 770-443-8000.

Sincerely,

Dr. Brian Otott

Superintendent

\* For more information regarding the Paulding County School Districts School Choice procedures please see Administrative Regulation [Student Assignment to Schools JBCCA-R](#).