

**BATH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
SCHOOLS OF CHOICE APPLICATION
2026-2027**

Student's Name _____ Date of Birth _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Grade in **2026-2027** _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Parent/Guardian's Address _____
(street address including city and zip code)

Telephone (Home) _____ Work _____ Cell _____

Student's current school district _____ Telephone _____
(Name) (Address)

Please list any sibling(s) [names and grades] _____

***** THE FOLLOWING SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED *****

1. Has the student been suspended in the last two years (including in-school suspensions) or *ever* been expelled from school?

Yes ____ No ____

2. If yes, give detail below. If additional space is needed for explanation, please attach another page.

Date _____ Reason _____

3. Are charges for suspension or expulsion pending against the student? Yes ____ No ____

4. Has this student been convicted of a felony? Are there any felony charges pending? Yes ____ No ____

5. *Does the student currently receive special education services or related services (i.e. speech, OT, PT)? Yes ____ No ____

6. Does the student currently receive services under Section 504? Yes ____ No ____

7. Please describe the services provided in item #5 or #6 above. _____

(*Please see item #9 on reverse side)

The Schools of Choice guidelines are on the reverse side of this form by signing below, I certify all of the information provided above to be true, and I acknowledge and accept the policies and stipulations of Bath Community Schools District Schools of Choice program. **I understand untrue or incomplete information will disqualify and remove the applicant from Bath Community Schools District program and the student will be immediately returned to his/her home school.**

I give Bath Community Schools permission to send for and receive all school records including any disciplinary action records or withdrawals to avoid such action.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Return this form to: Bath Community Schools, Courtney Vietzke, Central Office, 6175 Clark Rd. Bath, Michigan 48808

Fax: 517-641-6958 or by email courtneyvietzke@bathschools.net

OFFICE USE ONLY

Verification of Application Information Completed by: _____ Date _____

Building/Grade Placement _____ Approved ____ Denied ____

Chris Hodges, Superintendent

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY August 12, 2026 by 3:00 P.M.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. The buildings available for Schools of Choice students and the number of spaces in each building will be determined by the Bath Community Schools District.
2. Priority will be given for students who reside in the same household as students enrolled under the section 105 or 105c in the immediately preceding school year, semester or trimester.
3. All applications will be screened for accurate information. This may involve contacting the former school district.
4. Your acceptance is conditional until Bath Community Schools receives and reviews all school reports.
5. The Bath Community School District **registration** process for selected students must be **completed by Monday, August 17, 2026**. If students are not registered by that date, the Bath Community School District will assume that the application for Schools of Choice has been withdrawn and will offer the position to the next eligible student.
6. a.) If your child is currently eligible for special education services and *you reside outside of the Clinton County RESA area*, (outside of Bath, Dewitt, St. Johns, Fowler, Pewamo-Westphalia, Ovid-Elsie) the Bath Community School District is required to secure a cooperative agreement regarding reimbursement for special education costs from your resident district in order to register your child in our school district.
b.) If *you reside outside of the Clinton County RESA area*, (outside of Bath, Dewitt, St. Johns, Fowler, Pewamo-Westphalia, Ovid-Elsie), and your child is found to be eligible for special education services *after* admission to the Bath Community School Districts, please be advised that the district is required to obtain a cooperative agreement regarding reimbursement for special education costs from your resident district in order for your child to remain in our school district.
7. Once registered, students may remain in the Bath Community Schools District until graduation if the student complies with all guidelines for Schools of Choice. The only exceptions are cited in 7b above or under *Code of Conduct* below.
8. Athletic eligibility at the secondary level may be affected. Students who transfer by choice from one school to another and do not otherwise satisfy the MHSAA transfer regulations are ineligible for interscholastic athletics for one full semester. Questions concerning athletic eligibility should be directed to Erik Harrelson, Athletic Director at 517-641-6724.

ATTENDANCE

Students are expected to arrive and depart from school on time. It is expected that parents will pick up students on time when they are attending an after school or evening event.

CODE OF CONDUCT

All Student Code of Conduct rules, procedures, and policies will apply to all students who enter Bath Community Schools under the Schools of Choice guidelines and procedures (see student handbooks).

TRANSPORTATION

Parents of Schools of Choice (SOC) students are expected to provide transportation to and from school for their students. SOC parents may arrange with our Transportation Department for pick up and drop off locations within our district boundaries. Please contact the Transportation Department at 517-641-6723 for details and transportation forms.

TIMELINES

Applications begins	July 28, 2026
Application deadline	August 12, 2026 @ 3:00P.M.
Notification date	August 14, 2026
Non-Resident Students must register by	August 17, 2026
First Day of School	August 19, 2026

QUESTIONS

You may contact Bath Community Schools at 517-641-6721 or email courtneyvietzke@bathschoools.net, if you have any questions regarding our Schools of Choice program.

**AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION TO BATH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS FOR
CONSIDERATION OF ENROLLMENT**

I give my permission for the release of information to Bath Community Schools regarding my child. This includes all discipline records within the past two years and any educational records requested including 504 accommodations, IEP records, etc. **PLEASE READ REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING CONSIDERATION FOR ENROLLMENT.**

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Child's Name

Date of Birth

School Currently Attending

Resident School District

****Please provide the names and address of all Schools/Districts your child has attended (*a separate form must be completed for each school attended within the last two years – please duplicate form as necessary*).**

School District and School Address

School Year of Attendance (Example: 2023-24)

Parents please fill in the above portion and return to: Bath Community Schools, 6175 E Clark Road, Bath, Michigan 48808. This completed form is required for each school attended during the last two years.

Dear School Administrator:

Please provide the following information regarding the student indicated above that previously attended your school:

- Has this student had any suspensions from your school/district in the past two years?
- Has this student *ever* been expelled from your school/district? (If yes, please explain.)
- Does this student have 504 accommodations or does this student have a current IEP? (If yes, please explain)

Signature of Previous

School Administrator: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name of Previous School Administrator: _____

Phone Number of Previous School Administrator: _____

School and District Name: _____

Please fax to Bath Community Schools

517-641-6958

If you have any questions, please contact Chris Hodges (Phone) 517-641-6721 (Fax) 517-641-6958

The Board will accept applications for enrollment by nonresident pupil applicants residing in districts within Clinton County Regional Education Service Agency (CCRESA) and within a contiguous intermediate school district based upon the following criteria.

Limitations

- A. The Board shall annually review staffing capabilities, facility use, enrollment projections, and other pertinent criteria to determine the grades, schools, and special programs, as well as the number of pupil openings, which are available for enrollment by nonresident pupil applicants under the State School Aid Act.

Admission Criteria

- A. The determination to enroll a nonresident pupil application shall be based on the criteria articulated in the State School Aid Act and the same criteria for resident applicants for admission into a grade or a specialized, magnet, or intra-district choice school or program.
- B. The Board expressly reserves its statutory right to refuse to enroll a nonresident applicant if the applicant is or has been within the preceding two (2) years, suspended from another school or if the applicant has ever been expelled from another school.
- C. A nonresident applicant convicted of a felony offense may be refused enrollment if the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee determines that the applicant presents a threat to the health, safety, or welfare of District students or personnel.
- D. A written agreement between the resident district and the Choice district must be in place regarding students who apply through School of Choice 105c and receive special education services/programs as to the responsibility of payment for the added costs of required services/programs for the student.

Transportation

The District will not provide transportation to those nonresident pupil applicants who are granted admission to the District.

HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE: (read carefully) The parent(s) or student if over 18 years of age making application for participation in the Bath Community Schools "Open Enrollment" project agree(s) to hold harmless each contiguous public school district, its' employees, and Board of Education members for any decision in the selection process and/or potential participation or actual participation as an "Open Enrollment" child/student relative to academic achievement, or-curricular participation student discipline related to behavior, and/or all other aspects of participation as a member of a student body. Please release all information regarding the above named student(s) to the receiving school district. Information should include all documents in the following categories: CA60 and CA39 records, MEAP scores, EDP, portfolios, disciplinary files, psychological evaluations, social worker or teacher consultant records, report from other agencies, i.e. Department of Social Services, mental health recommendations, grade reports transcripts, records of special education placement, evaluation or referrals and any other pertinent information. By Board Policy and Sec. 105 & 105c of the State School Aid Act, you may not attend any Clinton County Public School or a contiguous district until that school has received up-to-date immunization records.