

Oxford USD 358 Enrollment Projections & Nonresident Enrollment Capacity School Year 2026-2027

Student Enrollment Projections and Capacity 2026-2027

		Grade Level *Indicates only 1 teacher for the grade level												
School	Total	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Oxford Elementary	154	18	18	*17	24	*20	31	26	x	x	x	x	x	x
Oxford Jr. Sr. High School	152	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	25	24	23	24	25	31

Nonresident Student Enrollment Capacity

USD 358 will have a limited capacity to accept nonresident students for the 2026-2027 school year. Based on the projected enrollment and capacity to operate effectively, USD 358 will accept nonresident students as outlined in the table below. The district reserves the right to assign nonresident students to a school and the process for selection is outlined below. Students living outside of the USD 358 boundary must formally apply for nonresident enrollment and use the application linked below which will be available **on or before June 1, 2026. The completed application must be received by no later than June 30, 2026.** Applications may also be picked up and returned to the USD 358 District Office at 515 N. Water, Oxford, KS 67119. All questions about nonresident enrollment shall be directed to USD 358 Superintendent of Schools, 620-455-2410

- *This policy does not apply to nonresident students who attended during the 25-26 school year.*
- *This policy does not apply to Oxford Online Virtual School. See the virtual school application.*

2026-2027 Nonresident Student Enrollment Capacity **The Number of Nonresident Students USD 358 Can Accept By Grade Level**

		Grade Level												
School	TTL Cnt	KG	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Oxford Elementary	204	10	10	1	12	0	5	10	x	x	x	x	x	x
Oxford Jr/ Sr. High School	179	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	11	12	13	12	11	5

Nonresident Student Enrollment Procedures and Timelines

All eligible nonresident students who completed the application process following the district's guidelines will be accepted as students if capacity exists and the student is confirmed to be a student in good standing. The nonresident student's current district may be required to confirm good standing before acceptance.

Selection Process

by January 1 District capacity determined and posted on the website

January 1-June 15 Nonresident Application Forms made available and accepted

- *The selection process does not apply to Oxford Online Virtual School- Applications and acceptance will be determined by the virtual school principal after reviewing records and visiting with potential candidates.*

Between June 15th and July 15th each year

1. The superintendent or representative will sort and select nonresident student applications that match the approved and published nonresident student enrollment available in the district.
2. The superintendent or representative will ensure that all eligible nonresident student applications are included in the lottery selection process.
3. The names of each nonresident applicant will be entered into the lottery and selected randomly by grade level.
 - a. The lottery selection must be done randomly and the procedure must remain confidential.
 - b. The lottery (*may*) be done physically by selecting the names written on a card from a pool or digitally by entering names into a random selection generator.
4. All students entered into the lottery (*shall*) be drawn and listed in order of selection.
5. The superintendent or designee will review and confirm each student drawn qualifies for nonresident enrollment.
6. Each student selected for enrollment will be assigned to a school as determined by the superintendent or designee.
7. The parent or guardian of each student selected for enrollment will be notified of their acceptance as nonresident students and of the school placement.
8. The parent or guardian (*must*) acknowledge receipt of acceptance and student placement within (*five (5)*) business days from the date of notification or the nonresident enrollment will be denied.
9. The superintendent or designee will confirm that nonresident students have filled all approved open seats until the applicant list for each grade level is exhausted.
10. Applicants not selected for nonresident enrollment will be notified and provided the reason for non-selection by July 30th.
11. The district (*may*) maintain a "waiting list" of nonresident students who were not selected for enrollment but may be eligible for a seat if one becomes available before the 1st day of school.
12. A student meeting one or more of the following criteria shall automatically be deemed not in good standing and may be denied continued enrollment based solely thereon.

Enrollment Criteria for Non-Resident Students

- The non-resident student failed to maintain a 90% attendance rate in the last school year, excluding excused absences under board policy JBD and/or any relevant student handbook language;
- The nonresident student or the student's parent or person acting as a parent provided false or fraudulent information in the application process;
- the nonresident student is not a resident of Kansas;
- the student is currently under a period of suspension or expulsion from any Kansas school district, and such suspension or expulsion will not expire until after the next school year has begun.
- the student has had three or more out-of-school suspensions in the current school year;
- the student has been given a long-term suspension or expulsion by the district in the current school year.

(This section is a change pending June 10th BOE approval as a result of SB 387)

If district administration denies the enrollment application of a nonresident student due to the school district deeming the nonresident student as not in good standing, the parent or person acting as a parent of such student may appeal the decision to the board. A current nonresident student who is determined not to be in good standing shall not be entitled to the appeal process outlined herein. Any student who has been denied enrollment or continued enrollment due to being deemed not in good standing may reapply for nonresident enrollment in subsequent school years. Appeal Process If a nonresident student's application for enrollment is denied because the student is determined not to be in good standing, the parent or person acting as a parent may appeal the administrative decision to the board. If a parent or person acting as a parent wishes to appeal this decision, a written request for an appeal must be submitted to the clerk of the board within 10 days of receiving notice the student's application has been denied for lack of good standing. Such a request shall include the individual's reasons for disagreeing with the administration's decision. The board shall consider any appeal of these decisions and any supplemental documentation provided therewith at the next regularly scheduled board meeting following receipt of the request for Enrollment of Nonresident Students JBCC-8 appeal, and the board's designee shall notify the requester of the result of the appeal in writing within 10 days of the board's decision thereon.

Non-resident students who are accepted and transfer to USD 358 are still required to meet KSHSAA eligibility requirements to participate in athletics and activities.

Go to <https://www.kshsaa.org/Public/PDF/Open%20Enrollment%20and%20Eligibility.pdf>
For specific information about The Kansas State High School Activities Association requirements.