

Board of Education

ACTION

TITLE: School Choice Staffing Capacity Resolution for 2025-2026

DATE: October 28, 2024

RESPONSIBLE ADMINISTRATOR: Dr. Michael Farrell
Executive Director of Student Services

BACKGROUND/CONSIDERATIONS:

The Board will annually adopt a resolution containing the capacity standards based upon staffing for the District. The resolution will contain the acceptance determination criteria identified by academic program, class, grade level, and individual school. The school is not obligated to add any teachers, other staff, or classrooms to accommodate choice applications. The District may only deny a Standard School Choice application if the District has a lack of capacity by the District having reached ninety percent (90%) of the maximum student population in a program, class, grade level, or school building authorized by the Standards or other State/Federal law.

The listed individual schools/classes in the resolution have the staffing capacity to accept students applying on Standard School Choice Application from January 1, 2025 – May 1, 2025 based upon October 1, 2024 enrollment numbers.

Provisional acceptance shall be determined prior to July 1 with a final decision to be made by July 1 based on the district's available capacity for each academic program, class, grade level, and individual school.

During the 2024-2025 school year 99 students attend Fort Smith Schools using School Choice.

RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends that the Board move to accept this resolution as written.

If the Board agrees, the motion would read: **Move to accept the School Capacity Resolution for the 2025-2026 school year.**