

6-18-1904. General provisions.

(a) The transfer of a student under the Arkansas Public School Choice Act of 1989, [§ 6-18-206](#) [repealed], or the Public School Choice Act of 2013, [§ 6-18-1901](#) et seq., is not voided by this subchapter and shall be treated as a transfer under this subchapter.

(b) (1) A student may accept only one (1) school choice transfer per school year.

(2) (A) A student who accepts a public school choice transfer may return to his or her resident district during the school year.

(B) If a transfer student returns to his or her resident district or enrolls in a private or home school, the student's transfer is voided, and the student shall reapply if the student seeks a future school choice transfer.

(c) (1) A transfer student attending a nonresident school under this subchapter may complete all remaining school years at the nonresident district.

(2) A present or future sibling of a student who continues enrollment in the nonresident district under this subsection and applies for a school choice transfer under [§ 6-18-1905](#) may enroll in the nonresident district if the district has the capacity to accept the sibling without adding teachers, staff, or classrooms or exceeding the regulations, rules, or standards established by law.

(3) A present or future sibling of a student who continues enrollment in the nonresident district and who enrolls in the nonresident district under subdivision (c)(2) of this section may complete all remaining school years at the nonresident district.

(d) (1) The transfer student or the transfer student's parent is responsible for the transportation of the transfer student to and from the school in the nonresident district where the transfer student is enrolled.

(2) The nonresident district may enter into a written agreement with the student, the student's parent, or the resident district to provide the transportation.

(e) For purposes of determining a school district's state aid, a transfer student is counted as a part of the average daily membership of the nonresident district where the transfer student is enrolled.

History

Acts 2013, No. 1227, § 6; 2015, No. 560, § 5; 2017, No. 1066, §§ 1, 2; 2019, No. 315, § 266.