

PROGRAM INFORMATION


New Student Enrollment Process

Step 1: Please call the Program Secretary at 952-681-6172 for intake information.

Step 2: If you are a good fit for the Choice Academy Program, the following will take place (see page 4 for admission criteria):

- Choice Academy will request/obtain your High School Transcript, Graduation Standards from your former school, and Immunization Records.

If you are coming from a district other than Bloomington or Richfield and you wish to earn a diploma from your home school:

- Your former school counselor will fill out the High School Credit Verification form.
- **You will complete an [OLR](#)** 

Step 3: The Choice Academy counselor will send you a registration form through your school email account.

- You will need to complete ALL of the enrollment forms and share them with the Choice Counselor and Choice Program Secretary. Once received, you will be sent a confirmation email with your date and time of Orientation.

Step 4: You must attend the Choice Academy Orientation to start the new student process. Orientation is intended to strengthen students' commitment towards finishing their high school education.

- To remain in the program you must attend both orientation days AND the first day of class.

Missing one of those 3 days, or arriving late postpone your full enrollment until the next month.


Step 5: Become a full-time Choice student.

Once you start orientation, you can NOT go back to your former school for any classes or tests. You are considered a Choice student and your enrollment at your former school has ended.

School Environment

- Choice serves full-time students, in-person, five days a week.
- Choice provides an academic environment where students work independently online (Canvas and Edgenuity) and through traditional paper packets.
- Classrooms have a library-like atmosphere.
- The Choice campus is housed on a single floor with seven classrooms and a lunch room.
- Parking is available in the General Dynamics parking lot.
 - Parking is not allowed in marked spaces with signs labeled “Visitor Only” or “BTC Parking.” Your vehicle may be towed if you park in these spaces.
- Choice Staff include:
 - A Principal and Program Secretary
 - Five core teachers: English, Math, Social Studies, Science, and Electives
 - A School Counselor
 - A Special Education Case Manager
 - A part-time English Language (EL) Supports teacher
 - An ALC Plus coordinator
 - A school-based therapist (insurance required)
- Choice Academy does not provide bus transportation for students. Students will need to find their own reliable source of transportation to get to and from school.
 - City Bus passes are available weekly. Bus passes can only be used for transportation to and from school. Please contact the Program Secretary to receive a bus pass.
 - Homeless or highly mobile (HHM) students can work with the district to arrange for daily transportation. Please contact the Counselor about these services.
 - Through our partnership with Oasis for Youth, additional transportation resources are available on a case by case basis. Please contact the Counselor about these services.

Admissions Details

Per the Minnesota Education Options Program legislation ([MN State Statute 123A.05](#) ), Choice students need to fit one or more of the following to enroll:

1. performs substantially below the performance level for pupils of the same age in a locally determined achievement test;
2. is behind in satisfactorily completing coursework or obtaining credits for graduation;
3. is pregnant or is a parent;
4. has been assessed as chemically dependent;
5. has been excluded or expelled;
6. has been referred by a school district for enrollment in an eligible program or a program;
7. is a victim of physical or sexual abuse;
8. has experienced mental health problems;
9. has experienced homelessness sometime within six months before requesting a transfer to an eligible program;
10. speaks English as a second language or is an English learner;
11. has withdrawn from school or has been chronically truant; or
12. is being treated in a hospital in the seven-county metropolitan area for cancer or other life threatening illness or is the sibling of an eligible pupil who is being currently treated, and resides with the pupil's family at least 60 miles beyond the outside boundary of the seven-county metropolitan area.

Choice does not have the supports necessary to maintain a safe learning environment for students who have a history of the following behaviors:

- **Physical Aggression**
- **Verbal Abuse**
- **Drug Use or Possession**
- **Excessive Disruption of Classrooms**
- **Weapon Infractions**

Students who have been expelled or have a history of the above behaviors will be considered individually. Choice Academy reserves the right to decline any student who is unlikely to be successful given the supports and programming available.

Program Hours

Monday – Friday

8:00am – 2:30pm

Daily Schedules

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Schedule

Period 1	8:00 – 9:00
Period 2	9:00 – 10:00
Period 3	10:00 – 11:00
Period 4	11:00 – 12:00
LUNCH	12:00 – 12:30
Period 5	12:30 – 1:30
Period 6	1:30 – 2:30

Tuesday Advisory/Progress Reviews Schedule

Progress Reviews: First Tuesday & Wednesday of every month

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Period 1	8:00 – 8:45
Advisory PR	8:45 – 9:15
Period 2	9:15 - 10:00
Period 3	10:00 – 11:00
Period 4	11:00 – 12:00
LUNCH	12:00 – 12:30
Period 5	12:30 – 1:30
Period 6	1:30 – 2:30