



SOUTH COUNTY TRANSITION PLANNING

## Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Rising 9th Graders Early Start at South Mecklenburg or Providence High Schools

June 7, 2023

As part of the June 6, 2023 Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education (CMBE) vote on the upcoming South County boundary changes, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools (CMS) is offering rising Myers Park High School freshmen (in 2023-2024) reassigned to South Mecklenburg or Providence high schools (in 2024-25, as outlined in [the Superintendent's recommendation](#)) an option to enroll in 9th Grade at their to-be-assigned school, with transportation provided. This FAQ pertains specifically to those students and the 2023-24 school year. Additional information about the 2024-25 school year changes will be forthcoming.

- Where can I find the detailed recommendation on the South County redistricting as adopted by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education (CMBE)?
  - The final presentation is posted on the [CMBE website](#).
- Who is eligible for an “early start” at their newly assigned school?
  - **Rising 9th Graders (2023-2024) whose high school assignment will change from Myers Park High School to South Mecklenburg High School or Providence High School in 2024-25 are eligible to start at their newly assigned school this fall.** You can either continue with your Myers Park High School assignment for 2023-24 or select to start at South Mecklenburg or Providence high schools, depending on what your 2024-25 assignment will be. You can enter your address in the [interactive map](#) to see how your school assignment will change. In order to take advantage of this opportunity, families must fill out [this form](#) by the close of business on June 16, 2023.
- Who should fill out the transition form?
  - The form must be filled out by a parent or legal guardian, not by the student themselves.
- Are there any resources available to help me make a decision?
  - South Mecklenburg and Providence high schools have added additional open houses for students to visit and learn more about these schools.
    - [Providence: June 7, 6.30-8:00pm](#) (980-343-5390)
    - [South Mecklenburg: June 13, 4:00-6:00pm](#) (980-343-3600)
- When will I officially be enrolled in the new school?
  - You are officially enrolled as soon as you complete the registration process and enroll in your courses. The online form is to indicate your preference and provide the opportunity for transferring the information to the district and school. It does not automatically enroll you.
  - This enrollment will be effective for your child’s 2023-2024 9th grade academic year.

- How do I register for new classes?
  - School counseling staff will work with students to register for classes based on the offerings at the student's new school.
  - For course questions or to set up a meeting with the South Mecklenburg School Counselor, call 980-343-3600 or attend the Open House on June 13, 4:00-6:00pm.
  - For course questions or to set up a meeting with the Providence School Counselor, call 980-343-5390 or attend the Open House on June 7, 6:30pm-8:00pm.
- How does this decision impact my athletic eligibility?
  - Absent a transfer and approved hardship waiver, students must participate in sports at the high school at which they are registered. The registration deadline is July 30, 2023, for fall sports participation.
  - The 9th graders who choose not to move until their 10th grade year will be eligible as long as it is a reassignment (not a transfer) and they must meet all other eligibility requirements.
  - For additional athletic eligibility information, contact the CMS Athletic Department at 980-343-6980.
- Can I get transportation to either school? How do I request transportation?
  - Yes, transportation will be provided to either school. Please complete the [Intent to Ride form](#).
- Can my older sibling go with me to my newly assigned school?
  - Sibling guarantee is a function exercised during the lottery only. Older siblings are not guaranteed a seat at your newly assigned school.
- If I am currently in a Magnet Program (e.g. Languages at South Mecklenburg), but no longer wish to be enrolled, what do I do?
  - Please make sure you indicate this on [the form](#) and re-enroll in your newly elected school.
- Who should I contact with additional questions?
  - For school boundaries and assignment questions, please contact the Planning Department: [planning@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:planning@cms.k12.nc.us), 980-343-6246.
  - For Providence High School questions, please contact 980-343-5390.
  - For South Mecklenburg High School questions, please contact 980-343-3600.
  - For Transportation questions, please contact 980-343-6715.
  - For Athletics questions, please contact 980-343-6980.
  - For Student Placement questions, please contact 980-343-5335.
  - For Magnet questions, please contact 980-343-5030.