



**Strong Beginnings, Bright Futures**  
**2021-2022 Schools of Choice Application**  
 Applications Accepted May 10, 2021 thru August 30, 2021

The Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education has opened its doors to all students residing in Wayne County and all contiguous counties. Completed application forms and requested documentation must be **returned to the Director of Instruction's Office by August 30, 2021**. A separate application must be completed for each student desiring to attend the Van Buren Public Schools under the Schools of Choice State Aid Act of 1996, P.A. 300, Sections 105 and 105c.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Initial

Permanent Address for Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

Mailing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

Home/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Entering: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Note: High School Credit requirements for grade level must meet VBPS policies.

District in which you reside: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Van Buren's school of choice option? \_\_\_\_\_

Additional comments/notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

Parent/Legal Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First

List previous schools attended with current/most recent first (attach an additional sheet if necessary):

School District	City, State	Dates Attended	Reason for Leaving
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Please complete the following:

1. Has the student ever been expelled from another school? If yes, please explain: Yes\_\_ No\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

2. Has the student been suspended from another school during the preceding two (2) calendar years? If yes, please explain: Yes\_\_ No\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

3. Has the student been truant or had attendance problems at school during the preceding two (2) calendar years? Yes\_\_ No\_\_

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

4. It is understood that a 9<sup>th</sup> grade student will be athletically **eligible** to participate in sports according to M.H.S.A.A. rules. 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students are athletically **ineligible** for one (1) full semester according to M.H.S.A.A. rules. Yes\_\_ No\_\_

5. Was the applicant previously enrolled in Van Buren Public Schools? If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes\_\_ No\_\_

6. Has the applicant received special education service(s) at any time? If so, please list service(s) and attach IEP form. \*\* Yes\_\_ No\_\_

7. **School of choice student transportation depends on seating availability.** It must be understood that transportation may be provided if the student is dropped off and picked up at a designated Van Buren bus stop. Students must be pre-registered for this service and may take up to 1 month to determine seating space availability.

I am requesting transportation at a designated Van Buren bus stop if available. Yes\_\_ No\_\_

8. It is understood that the student will adhere to the attendance policies that are written in the student handbooks and that tardies/absences will not be excused because of lack of transportation or weather conditions. Yes\_\_ No\_\_

As the parent(s)/legal guardian making application for Schools of Choice under State Aid Act of 1996, P.A. 300, Sections 105 and 105c, my/our Signature(s) on this application signifies my/our understanding and agreement to the Schools of Choice policy and guidelines and to all rules and regulations of student handbooks. It is also understood that if Van Buren Public Schools finds any information that is incorrect or falsified on this application, including affirmation of prior discipline records, this would immediately terminate enrollment of the student on this form. It grants Van Buren Public Schools permission to contact our current district to obtain school records for my/our student, including discipline records.

\*\*Please note that if a nonresident child who is eligible for special education services resides in a contiguous intermediate school district (Macomb, Monroe, Oakland or Washtenaw Counties), Section 105c requires that the enrolling district have a written agreement with the resident district of the pupil for the purpose of providing the pupil with a free appropriate public education and setting forth the responsibility for the payment of the added costs of special education programs and services for the pupil. Additionally, if at any time after a nonresident student who is admitted to Van Buren Public Schools but resides in a contiguous intermediate school district becomes eligible for special education services, said student must obtain a release from his or her resident district via a 105c agreement. If a 105c agreement is not signed and finalized between the contiguous county districts, the student will be required to return to his or her district of residence and will no longer be permitted to attend Van Buren Public Schools.

**NOTE:** Van Buren Public Schools will accept non-resident students without regard to intellect, academic, artistic, athletic, other ability, talent, mental or physical disability, religion, race, color, national origin, sex, height, weight, or marital status. Van Buren Public Schools reserves the right to deny access to a student residing outside the Wayne County if mutual agreement cannot be reached with the student's home district/ISD related to responsibility for added costs through 105c.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

The following items **must be submitted** in order to complete your application

Please return this application & requested documents to:

School of Choice Application  
(Non-Resident) Transportation Form  
Affirmation of Prior Discipline Record

Jeffrey Moore, Director of Instruction  
Van Buren Public Schools  
555 W. Columbia Avenue  
Belleville, MI 48111

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Building Principal's Signature Date

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jeffrey Moore, Director of Instruction Date

Not Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Building Principal's Signature Date

Not Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jeffrey Moore, Director of Instruction Date