

Policy Manual – Schools

S.04 Secondary School Students Out-of-Boundary Requests

(previously known as S.04 Exceptions - Secondary School Boundaries Requests – Grade Eight Students & S.05 Exceptions – School Boundaries and Transfers – Secondary Schools)

Policy Statement

The Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of school boundaries for attendance purposes. School attendance boundaries play a significant role for the Board to operate and maintain the system schools as effectively and efficiently as possible to support student achievement. The framework for the consideration of out-of-boundary requests, amongst other factors, reviews the availability of classroom space, the Ministry of Education class size regulation and most importantly, impact on student achievement.

Policy Supports

S.04 Secondary School Students Out-of-Boundary Requests Procedures

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to identify the process for consideration of exceptions to secondary school boundaries. Exceptions may be granted to grade eight students whose parents/guardians apply for this exception on or before the first week of February.

Responsibility

Superintendent of Education, School Principal and Planning & Accommodation Department

Regulations

Education Act S.32(1); Ont.Reg.132/12 Class Size

Related Policies

S.03 Elementary School Boundaries

Related Board Committee

Committee of the Whole and Policy Review and Strategic Planning Committee

Policy Review Date

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