



National Trail Local School District

Interdistrict Open Enrollment
2026–2027 School Year

Application Timeline

Application Window: April 1 – July 1, 2026

Parent Notification: By August 5, 2026 *(Notification will be sent verifying if student was accepted or denied)*

How to Apply

- One Completed Application Per Child
- Two (2) Current Proofs of Residency
- Current Report Card
- Court Custody Papers (if applicable)

Submit to: National Trail District Office, 6940 Oxford-Gettysburg Rd. New Paris, OH 45347

Approval Process

Acceptance is based on grade-level capacity, teacher availability, and program space. Class sizes will not exceed Ohio Department of Education guidelines. Specific course requests (7–12) cannot be guaranteed.

Special Education

Students with disabilities (IDEA/504) are considered based on available programs, staffing, and facility capacity. The district is not required to create new programs or make new accommodations solely for open enrollment.

Priority Order (First-Come, First-Served)

1. Resident students
2. Current tuition students
3. Current open enrollment students
4. Siblings of approved students
5. Former district students
6. New applicants

Important Information

- Separate application required for **each** child
- Approval is for **one school year only (must reapply annually)**
- Parents must register student in **BOTH** home district and National Trail
- Transportation provided only from existing district bus stops
- OHSAA rules govern athletic eligibility
- All outstanding fees **must be paid or a payment plan established** each school year. Unresolved balances may result in denial of open enrollment for the next school year.

Questions? Contact: Sindi Hoke, National Trail Local School District
6940 Oxford-Gettysburg Rd. | 937-437-3333 ext. 1100 | shoke@nationaltrail.us

Frequently Asked Questions

Are requests by brothers and sisters considered as one request?

No. A separate application must be completed for each child. Each application is considered individually according to district guidelines.

What if I am approved for open enrollment but move during the school year?

Under most conditions, the student may remain in the current placement. If you change residences, you must notify the school office to update your address information.

Do I need to reapply each school year?

Yes. Open enrollment approval is granted for one school year only. Annual reapplication is required and will be prioritized according to district guidelines.

My child receives special education services. May they participate in open enrollment?

Yes. Participation is based on available programs, staffing, facility capacity, and class size within the district.

May my child ride National Trail school buses?

Open enrollment students may ride district buses provided parents transport the student to and from an existing district bus stop. Bus stop assignments and transportation approval are subject to district transportation guidelines and administrative discretion. Routes may be adjusted due to capacity or operational needs.

May my child participate in interscholastic athletics?

Participation is governed by Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) eligibility rules.

May I return to my home district if I change my mind?

Open enrollment approval is for one school year. It is expected that approved students will complete the school year at National Trail.

Where do I register an approved open enrollment student?

Parents of all approved students must register the student in BOTH the district of residence and National Trail Local School District.

Where do I register my incoming kindergarten student?

Parents must complete an open enrollment application with National Trail and also register the student in their home district.

Important Financial Requirement:

All outstanding fees must be paid in full or a payment plan established each school year. Failure to resolve balances may result in denial of open enrollment for the following school year.



INTERDISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT APPLICATION
 NATIONAL TRAIL LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT - OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
 6940 OXFORD GETTYSBURG ROAD - NEW PARIS, OHIO 45347
 937-437-3333 EXT. 1100

Date _____ Date of Birth _____ Last 4 of SS# _____

Name of Student _____
 (First) (Middle) (Last)

Parent Name: _____

Address _____ Phone Number _____

Present Grade _____ Requested Grade _____ Birth City _____ Mother's Maiden Name _____

Is student Hispanic/Latino? Yes _____ No _____ Male _____ Female _____

Ethnicity: White _____ Black _____ Hispanic _____ Asian/Island Pacific _____ Native American _____ Other _____
 (Mark all that Apply)

Native Language: English _____ Spanish _____ Japanese _____ Other _____

Two proofs of residency attached: Yes _____ No _____ Copy of report card attached: Yes _____ No _____

Copy of Court Custody papers (if needed) attached: Yes _____ No _____

School District of Residence _____

Specific Reason for requesting attendance at National Trail Schools: _____

Individual Education Plan (IEP) No _____ Yes _____ 504 Plan No _____ Yes _____

Has the student been suspended or expelled for 10 or more, consecutive days in the Academic term for which, admission, is sought or in the term immediately preceding? No _____ Yes _____

Reason for suspension/expulsion/exclusion: _____

Do you owe any fees to the previous district that would prevent the National Trail School District from receiving your grade card/transcript? No _____ Yes _____

Any information that is falsified on this form may result in termination of open enrollment status and denial of future open enrollment applications.

APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE NO LATER THAN JULY 1ST OF THE CALENDAR YEAR

DATE STAMP REQUEST RECEIVED:	APPROVED BY _____ DENIED BY _____ REASON(S): _____
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(For office use only)
 EFFECTIVE DATE OF ENROLLMENT CHANGE FOR EMIS RECORDS _____ SSID# _____