

Delsea Regional High School District

Choice District Profile for 2024-2025 School Year

Delsea Regional High School District 242 Fries Mill Road Franklinville, NJ 08322 Gloucester County

District grades: 7 - 12

Approved choice grades: 7 - 12

Total number of students enrolled in district: 1,575

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Choice Program

Delsea Regional High School District's mission centers around a collaborative learning community that is passionately committed to educate all students to become life-long learners, develop character, and become valuable members of our community, country, and world. Students at Delsea receive an education that prepares them to be college and career ready while maintaining the "small school feel." The district currently receives students from Elk and Franklin Townships as well as Newfield Borough. Along with rigorous academic courses, Delsea boasts an open enrollment program with 19 AP courses, a National and Statewide award winning Service Learning program, Personal Student Learning Plans (PSLP) focused on addressing individual student learning goals from grades 7-12, a Perkins program comprised of 14 course pathways allowing students preparation in Career and Technical Education that affords articulated credits at local community colleges, state of the art technology, an award winning JROTC program, and a NJ State Teacher of the Year. Work study opportunities through the Option 2 program are available. Delsea has a plethora of extra-curricular activities and continues to excel with championship athletic programs, a fine and performing arts department that promotes a lifelong love of the arts, and clubs and organizations dedicated to serving the needs of the student population and community. All of the above and more will propel us toward achieving our vision of educating, inspiring, and empowering our students and staff to excellence. The pride of the community. The best in the nation.

Choice Seats Availability

The purpose of the chart below is to inform parents of choice seat availability **before** the application deadline on December 1, 2023. After the deadline, the information will be outdated.

The Department of Education limits the number of choice seats that each district can fill. The "maximum number of new choice students that can be enrolled" tells parents how many *new* choice students the district can enroll in the next school year. If more than the maximum number of applications is received, a lottery will be held and a waitlist will be developed. Waitlists will be developed for all approved choice grades even if no seats are currently available. NA indicates the district is not accepting choice applications for those grades.

Maximum Number of *New* Choice Students that can be Enrolled: 14 Delsea Regional High School and Middle School

Grade	Seat availability per grade*
K	Not Available (no waitlist will be developed)
1	Not Available (no waitlist will be developed)
2	Not Available (no waitlist will be developed)
3	Not Available (no waitlist will be developed)
4	Not Available (no waitlist will be developed)
5	Not Available (no waitlist will be developed)
6	Not Available (no waitlist will be developed)
7	Available
8	Available
9	Available
10	Available
11	Available
12	Available

District Choice Policies		Does Policy Apply?
a.	The district accepts Tier 2 students (see choice website <u>definitions of Tier 1 and Tier 2</u> and below).	Yes
b.	The district gives enrollment preference to choice applicants who have a sibling currently enrolled in the choice district and who will continue to be enrolled in the following year, provided the applicant will enroll in a choice-approved grade/program, they meet any program-specific criteria, and the district has seats available in the desired grades.	Yes
C.	The district gives enrollment preference to choice applicants who have completed the terminal grade of the sending district (i.e., students who attend a choice district with grades that terminate before 12th grade and have a natural progression to this choice district), provided there are choice seats available in the choice-approved grades/programs and the students meet any program-specific criteria.	Yes
d.	The district gives enrollment preference to resident students who move before the application deadline. If resident students move and file choice applications for the following year prior to the deadline, the district will give them enrollment preference (i.e., accept them after the enrollment preference students described in b. and c. above, but ahead of other applicants), provided there are choice seats available in the choice-approved grades/programs and the students meet any program-specific criteria. If the district has already reached its approved choice enrollment maximum, this preference will not apply.	Yes
e.	The district gives special consideration to resident students who move <i>after</i> the application deadline. Students in this situation may apply as late applicants and be added to the front of the district's waitlist, provided the students will enroll in a choice-approved grade/program and they meet any program-specific criteria. No additional choice seats above the maximum will be approved by the NJDOE to accommodate these students.	Yes

Transportation Note to Parents

Transportation of choice students is not guaranteed. If a student is eligible for transportation (within 20 miles of the school) and the cost will exceed the maximum amount designated in the Annual Appropriations Act, the parent/guardian will be given aid in lieu of transportation and, in some cases, the option of receiving the transportation and paying the additional amount over the maximum. By Aug. 1, parents should receive notification of their transportation options from the resident district. For more information, read the *Choice School Transportation Procedures* found on the Student Transportation webpage.

Tier 1 students

Choice districts must first fill their available seats with Tier 1 students. If the number of Tier 1 applications exceeds the number of choice seats available, the choice district must hold a lottery to randomly select students. Tier 1 students are students who are enrolled in a NJ public school in their resident school district during the time of application and for the entire year immediately preceding enrollment in a choice district. If a student moved during the school year and attended the resident public school of both their prior and current district of residence, they are also considered Tier 1. Charter school students are Tier 1. To qualify as Tier 1 for kindergarten, a student must be attending their resident district preschool, or a student has a sibling attending the choice district in the current year and the sibling will continue to be enrolled in the following year.

Tier 2 students

Choice districts are not obligated to accept Tier 2 students. If a choice district accepts Tier 2 applicants, they may do so after all the qualified Tier 1 applicants have been accepted. If the number of Tier 2 applications exceeds the number of choice seats available, the choice district must hold a Tier 2 lottery to select students. Tier 2 students include NJ residents who have **not** attended their resident public school for the entire year immediately prior to enrollment in the desired choice district and do **not** otherwise meet the requirements for Tier 1. This includes students who have been attending public school outside their districts of residence or private school. Tier 2 students also include students applying for kindergarten who are **not** attending their resident district preschool and do not have a sibling attending the choice district in the current year.