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Netcong Elementary School

Morris County

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2018-2019 CHOICE DISTRICT PROFILE

District Grades:	PK-8	School Choice Contact Information
Approved Choice Grades:	K-8	Mrs. Kathleen E. Walsh, Acting Chief School Administrator
Students Enrolled in the District:	310	973-347-0020, x218

Choice Seats Available for 2018-2019	
Maximum number of <u>NEW</u> students that can be accepted: 0 Districts may have more seats than they are able to accept.	
Applications will be accepted and a waitlist developed should more seats become available. A lottery will be held should applications be received and seats become available.	
Grade	Seat Availability
K	0
1	0
2	0
3	0
4	0
5	0
6	0
7	0
8	0

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The mission of the Netcong School District is: “A tradition to nurture, inspire, empower, and achieve, by all, for all.” We strive to offer a comprehensive and rigorous academic program with extra-curricular opportunities embedded throughout the year. The sense of family and community tie into the mission statement. All are welcome at Netcong.

District Choice Policies	Indicate Yes/No/NA
a. The district accepts Tier 2 students (see definition below).	Yes
b. The district gives enrollment preference to students who have a sibling currently attending the choice district, provided they will enroll in a choice-approved grade/program and they meet any program-specific criteria.	Yes
c. The district gives enrollment preference to choice students 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 with a natural progression to this choice district), provided they will enroll in a choice-approved grade/program and they meet any program-specific criteria.	Yes
d. The district gives enrollment preference to resident students who move <i>before the application deadline</i> . 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 ahead of other applicants, but after the enrollment preference students described in b. and c. above), provided there are choice seats available in the choice-approved grades/programs and the students meet any program-specific criteria. <i>If the district has already reached its approved choice enrollment maximum, this preference will not apply.</i>	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 \$1000, the parent/guardian will be given \$1000 as aid in lieu of transportation and, in some cases, the option of receiving the transportation and paying the additional amount over \$1000. By Aug. 1, 2018, parents should receive notification of their transportation options from the resident district. For more information, read the Transportation Procedures for choice 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 (2017-18) immediately preceding enrollment in a choice district. If a student moved during the school year and attended the resident public school of his/her old district of residence, he/she is also considered Tier 1. 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. Charter school students are considered to be Tier 1. To qualify as Tier 1 for kindergarten, a student must be attending a state-funded preschool in his or her resident district or a student resides in a district that does not offer a state-funded preschool program or a student has a sibling currently attending the choice district. Most students applying for kindergarten are in Tier 1.

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 would include students who have been attending public school outside their districts of residence or private school. **Choice districts are not obligated to accept Tier 2 students.** If a choice district accepts Tier 2 applicants, they may do so only after all of 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.