



# CARMAN-AINSWORTH COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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## Schools of Choice Information for Non-Residents

The Schools of Choice plan is designed to allow students who can provide acceptable behavior records for the last two years, can provide their own transportation and be placed into openings that can be accommodated by our existing staff an opportunity to attend CA schools.

Carman-Ainsworth Community Schools will be accepting applications for Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> grade through the Limited State Schools of Choice program for the 2016-2017 school year allowing a limited number of non-resident children to attend Carman-Ainsworth Schools beginning in the Fall of 2016. We will be accepting applications for grades 6 – 12 through the Unlimited State Schools of Choice program. Students accepted under the Schools of Choice Program are allowed to stay in the nonresident district until graduation. **Student transportation must be provided by the parent/guardian.**

If you do not live in the Carman-Ainsworth School District but wish to have your child(ren) attend our schools, you must apply through the State Schools of Choice Program.

If your children are currently attending Carman-Ainsworth but you have moved and no longer live in the Carman-Ainsworth District, you must apply and your child(ren) be accepted through the State Choice Program for them to continue next year. If not, you will need to enroll your child in his/her resident district in the Fall of 2016.

**For grades Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> grade** – Applications will be available **May 16, 2016 – June 14, 2016**. This is only a 30 day window for applications. Under the Limited State School of Choice Program, your application and behavior report must be turned in to Carman-Ainsworth during this 30 day window for it to be accepted. (Includes Dillon (K-3<sup>rd</sup>), Dye, Randels, Rankin (K-5<sup>th</sup>) and Stalker kindergarten)

**For 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades** – Applications will be available **May 16, 2016 – August 26, 2016**. (Includes CA Middle School, CA High School and Carman Park / Baker Career Academy)

### Choice Process

You must pick up and turn in your application form at the Carman-Ainsworth Administration Building at the corner of West Court and Graham Road. The application form will also be available on our website at [www.carman.k12.mi.us](http://www.carman.k12.mi.us) during the application period. If your child is a current Carman-Ainsworth student or incoming first time kindergarten student, this is all you need. If your child is coming from another district, a **BEHAVIOR REPORT covering the last two years** (2014-15 and 2015-16) **is required with your application**. This report must be turned in for your application to be complete and considered for acceptance. If your child has no behavior entries, a note from the school on their letterhead or a printout of the blank behavior screen is needed.

The "limited" version of the state plan allows the District to designate open seats by building and grade. Student behavior records will be evaluated. Students who pass the behavior review will be distributed among buildings and grades requested to determine if we are within our staffing limits. If the numbers are too high, there would be a lottery drawing for that grade/building. Parents will receive a notification letter as to the application outcome two weeks after the close of the application period.

Applications for 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades will have their behavior checked and notification letters mailed intermittently throughout the application period.

If you have questions about this process or require further assistance, please feel free to contact our office at 810-591-3206.

Judy Kalush, Registration & Student Data