



Frequently Asked Questions

What is a Choice Option School?

- Choice Option Schools are separate schools or programs within the school district that are structured around a unique curriculum or particular instructional methodology. Each Choice Option School has a unique educational approach that differentiates it from traditional neighborhood schools. A Choice Option School will provide equal opportunity for all nationalities, races, ethnic groups, abilities and genders within Bend LaPine Schools.

Is Realms High School Tuition Free?

- YES - All Choice Option Schools are tuition free public schools open to any student residing in the Bend LaPine School District. We do ask our families for a donation connected to different outings and Intensives to help offset our fieldwork costs. These contributions are considered a donation and no student will be turned away if they are unable to pay.

How do I submit an application for Realms High School?

- The 2023-24 Choice Option High School online application can be found on our website. Click on the **OUR SCHOOL** box on the right. You will see the link to the application at the top of the screen. **The deadline for all Choice Option High School applications is 3pm on Jan 20th.** Families will be contacted with results by email shortly after.

What if my son/daughter is placed on the waiting list based on the lottery result?

- Wait lists at Realms High School are used to fill openings when they occur. We will keep the wait list for each grade in place for the current school year only.

Is there a Realms Middle School preference policy? How does it work?

- YES – We have reserved approximately thirty 9th grade spots for incoming Realms Middle School students. If we receive over thirty applicants from RMS, we will hold a separate lottery for those specific spots. If we receive less than thirty applications from RMS, the reserved spots will be open to other applicants. **We do, however, require ALL families to complete the online application.**

Will there be openings for 10th, 11th and 12th grade students for the 2023-24 school year?

- YES - we anticipate a handful of spots will be available for 10th, 11th and 12th grades.

Does Realms High School have a Special Education teacher?

- YES - Realms High School does have a special education team who works to support students on Individualized Education Plans (IEP's).

Does Realms High School have Honors Opportunities?

- YES - Our curriculum has been designed to intentionally include many opportunities for honors students to be challenged at their individual rate and level of learning to earn honors level credits.

Can Realms High School students play school sports at their neighborhood school?

- YES - Students ARE eligible to play on sports teams at their neighborhood high school. For example, if you attend Realms High School High and reside in the Mt. View attendance area you may play on any Mt. View sports teams.

Does Realms High School have any after school programs or student clubs?

- YES - In the past we have offered the following after school programs: photography, art club, board games, academic support, film making and jam band. During our lunch hour we offer many clubs including green team, GSA, and leadership.

Can Realms High School students ride the Bend LaPine school bus to school?

- YES - Students can ride on a school bus to our Brinson campus from any of the neighborhood high schools in the morning. In the afternoon, they will take students back to their neighborhood high school. Students arrive at their neighborhood high school in the afternoon with plenty of time to participate in sports and practice.

What time does school start and finish each day?

- Under our current daily schedule, class begins at 9:00 am and we end our day at 3:20 pm. Realms High School *does* have early release Wednesdays when students are dismissed at 1:40 pm.

Does Realms High School follow the same school calendar as the Bend La Pine Schools?

- The major dates for holidays are the same for all Bend LaPine high schools. Student led conferences at Realms High School are generally on different dates and RHS has different and/or additional professional development days. A detailed calendar of the current school year is provided to our families in August.

Can my son/daughter attend Realms High School part time?

- Typically NO - The Realms High School schedule and approach to learning is designed to be most effective for full time students. By the junior and senior year there is more flexibility to take limited courses.

Do Realms High School students take the same state assessments as other public school students?

- YES - Choice Option School students must take the same state assessments as all public school students.

Do I need to submit an ACR (Area Change Request) for my student to attend Realms High School?

- NO - Choice Option Schools are open to any student residing in the Bend La Pine School District.