

CHAMPAIGN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
Champaign, Illinois

PUPIL SELECTION FOR WASHINGTON SCHOOL, SEPTEMBER 1968

Pupil assignment in order better to utilize school facilities and to end racial isolation has taken place through redistricting and bus schedule revision in such a manner as to eliminate Washington Elementary School as a regular attendance center and to make it available as a voluntary attendance center operated cooperatively with the University of Illinois.

It is proposed that a description of the school and its program, both immediate and long-range, be drawn up and made known to the parents of elementary school children within Unit 4.

Interested parents should be given an opportunity to request admittance for their children. A date should be set by which time all applications should be received.

The selection of pupils to attend should be made by Unit 4 staff members

The following criteria for the selection of pupils should be used:

1. There should be an approximately equivalent number of pupils at each grade level, kindergarten through grade six.
2. Class size should be as near as possible the same as that for other schools.
3. The classes should represent the range of intelligence and achievement potential to be found in the District as a whole.
4. The proportion of pupils drawn from each reorganized attendance center should be approximately equal for each grade level.
5. The range of pupils of varying socio-economic backgrounds should approximate that of the community.
6. Each class should be racially balanced and the proportion of whites to non-whites should fall within the range recommended by the Equal Educational Opportunities Committee.
7. There should be an approximately equal number of boys and girls.
8. If parents request admittance for more than one child, the admittance of any one child should mean priority consideration for admittance of other children of the same family for whom admittance is sought.
9. The classes described at Washington are general classes and admission will be limited to pupils who would otherwise be attending general classes elsewhere. Building assignments for other classes will be made separately.

10. Pupils other than sixth graders should be regarded as having a continued enrollment at Washington but the nature of the situation requires that special consideration be given requests to withdraw after the first year if the program is considered by the parents not to be meeting the needs of their child.

It should be clearly understood that the cooperative involvement of the University of Illinois in Washington School by no means bears any direct relationship to automatic admittance either to the University High School or to the University itself.

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