

Normandy Q&A-Parents Updated July 24, 2014

The following Q&A provides responses to questions received by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education from parents and students within the Normandy School District. The information will be updated regularly on the Department's Normandy website at www.dese.mo.gov/Normandy. If you have further questions, please email them to Normandy@dese.mo.gov.

What is the accreditation status of the Normandy Schools Collaborative?

The district will have a new school status as a state oversight district. This status will remain in effect no longer than three years, and the Department will continuously review student progress. The Normandy Schools Collaborative Board will make quarterly reports to the State Board of Education.

Will students who transferred in 2013-14 be allowed to remain in the transfer program?

Students who are currently transferring to other districts will be allowed to continue if the receiving district accepts transfer students and a tuition payment as defined by the Department calculation formula.

What about kindergarten students who live in the district? Will they be allowed to transfer?

In an effort to accommodate families, 2014-15 incoming kindergarten students are eligible to transfer only if they had a sibling who was in the transfer program and is eligible to continue. In those cases, the kindergarten student is eligible to enroll in the same district as the sibling.

Is there an appeals process for denied transfers?

No. The transfer policy is set by the State Board of Education.

How does Normandy Schools Collaborative's status as a state oversight district affect new transfers?

There will be no new student transfers.

If students continue to transfer, how will the district prevent bankruptcy?

The proposed budget for the next school year includes funds for current transfers, based on the tuition payment determined by the Department's calculation formula.

Will transportation for current transfer students be provided?

No transportation costs will be provided.

Will students graduating from Normandy be issued an accredited diploma?

Graduates will receive a diploma. For information about college admissions, please check http://dese.mo.gov/sites/default/files/unaccredited_school.pdf.