

Information Regarding HB251 for the 2016-2017 School Year

RCPS Capacity for the 2016-2017 School Year:

Please note: after calculating the RCPS student population with the maximum class size formula provided by the Georgia Department of Education, there are no seats available for the 2016-2017 school year. All RCPS schools are at full capacity for School Year 2016-2017, and therefore there are no available seats.

HB251 and RCPS Responsibilities and Timelines:

RCPS will have a single enrollment period each school year beginning July 1st. Requests for transfers under House Bill 251 will only be allowed during this period of the year; requests under House Bill 251 will not be accepted or kept on file during any other time during the school year.

Annual notification – By **July 1** of each year, RCPS shall notify parents regarding which schools have capacity and which of these schools parents may choose to request a transfer for their children.

Denials Based on Capacity

The Georgia Department of Education recommends using the following definition for capacity:

- 1) Capacity of the school building based on established health and safety provisions and
- 2) Class-size capacity by grade and subject, based on State law and rule.