



RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL & SCHOOL UNION 73

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Ralph C. Mahar Regional School Choice Application

(Return this completed application to the Superintendent's Office)

APPLICATION FOR GRADE (Please Circle): 7 8 9 10 11 12

Student Full Last Name: _____ Student Full First Name: _____

Student Full Middle Name: _____ Gender: Male _____ Female _____ Non-binary _____

Street Address: _____ Town: _____ Zip: _____

Mailing Address (If Different): _____

Primary Telephone Number: _____ Secondary Telephone Number: _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): _____ City/State of Birth: _____

Previous School: _____ Street: _____

City or Town: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____ email address _____

Student Resides with (name and relation): _____

Has the student ever attended Ralph C. Mahar Regional, Petersham Center School, or Orange Elementary? Yes ____ No ____ I

If yes, which school (Please Circle): RCM PCS OES

Does this student have any siblings currently enrolled in Ralph C. Mahar Regional, Petersham Center School, or Orange Elementary? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, which school (Please Circle): RCM PCS OES

☐ I certify the above information to be complete and accurate. I shall advise the Ralph C. Mahar Regional School of any changes in residence before or after enrollment.

Signature of Student: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature of Parent: _____ **Date:** _____

CHOICE POLICY is located on the reverse of this page

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 76, Section 12, any child, with the consent of the school committee of the town where he/she resides, may attend, at the expense of said town, the public schools of another town, upon such terms as may be fixed by the two committees.

In accordance with this law it is the policy of the Ralph C. Mahar Regional School District to admit non-resident students under the following local conditions:

1. The administration will determine the number of spaces in each academic program available to choice students.
2. That resident students be given priority placement in any classes or programs within the district.
3. When the number of requests exceeds the number of available spaces, the selection of non-resident students for admission will be in the form of a random drawing. There will be two drawings for this purpose. The first will take place after the last day of the current school year, but no later than July 1st. The second will be conducted during the week immediately preceding the opening of the next school year and will be based on the unexpected additional openings.
4. Any student who is accepted for admission under the provisions of this policy is entitled to remain in the district until graduation from high school except if there is a lack of funding of the program.
5. The Ralph C. Mahar School District is not responsible for the transportation of school choice students. Parents/guardians must arrange for the transportation of their school choice student(s) to and from school.

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The Orange Elementary, Petersham and R.C. Mahar Regional School Districts are Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employers and do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, gender identity, national origin, sexual orientation, ethnicity, gender, religion, disability or age.

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