

**PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
DEPARTMENT OF STUDENT SERVICES
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ASSIGNMENT**

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools boasts the only educational park in Michigan. The 305-acre site is the home of three comprehensive high schools: Canton, Plymouth and Salem. Students are assigned to a building as their “home” school for counseling, records, sports and graduation. All course offerings are available to students who can participate interchangeably at the three schools. Curriculum offerings are broad; including, for example, auto mechanics, foreign languages and calculus.

A random selection process does the assignment of students to one of the three high schools. This random process assigns schools WITHOUT considering racial make-up, talent, or socio-economic background of the students. Random assignment provides a systematic method for placing students (a method unaffected by district population shifts).

PROCESS

1. High school assignments are made without reference to the student’s home address or to the middle school the student attends. Each student who receives an assignment has a chance of attending any of our three high schools. Assignments can be found in the Demographic Section under Membership in MiStar. **There are no “redraws.”** Because the process is random, twins, triplets, etc. may receive different high school assignments. The family will be given the option to keep the random assignments given for each child, or request the students be placed using one of the child’s random placement. This request must be submitted in writing. This decision is irrevocable.
2. The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools’ Board of Education has approved only one way to request a high school assignment. This is by using the “Sibling Rule”.
3. Students who are new to the District in grades 9-12 will receive their random assignment as part of the enrollment process. New students to Plymouth-Canton Community Schools in grades 7 and 8 will be randomly computer assigned to a high school by the Department for Student Services. Older siblings will receive their high school assignment first, which allows younger siblings to enact the Sibling Rule. Assignments will be mailed to the student’s home, middle school and assigned high school. (If a student was randomly assigned to a high school and subsequently, a sibling is randomly assigned to a different high school, the first random assignment will not be altered.)
4. Non-public school students can obtain their high school assignment and prove residency by scheduling an appointment with the Department for Student Services (734) 416-2760 after the student completes the 7th grade.

SIBLING RULE

Siblings are eligible to attend the same high school. Before high school assignments are made in the spring of their 6th grade year, students are asked if they want to use the “Sibling Rule” or be randomly assigned with other students in their grade. This decision is irrevocable. Assignments are mailed to the student’s home. If the student was given a random assignment in error (see below), a letter must be submitted to the District requesting a change based on Sibling Rule. The District will then respond to the family in writing.

To enact the Sibling Rule for a student whose older sibling no longer attends Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, the family will need to provide evidence that:

1. The older sibling attended or was assigned to a high school (i.e. diploma, report card, etc.)
2. The two students are siblings (i.e. birth certificates, etc.)