## Prescott Unified School District Enrollment Process for Elementary Schools

All three of our A-Rated K-4 (Abia Judd, Lincoln, and Taylor Hicks) work collaboratively to ensure that all families who would like to attend a PUSD elementary school are accommodated. This document explains the enrollment process, in addition to sharing information about "open enrollment."

## Timeline:

4th Monday in January: Pre-Registration forms go home with all currently-enrolled students.

4th Friday in January: All pre-registration forms are due back to the school

3rd Week of February: Kindergarten Open Houses are held at each individual school

3rd Thursday of February: Online registration opens to all grades for the upcoming school year 4th Thursday of February:

- All students living within the school's attendance boundaries are accepted.
- New students living in PUSD boundaries but outside of their preferred K-4 school's attendance area are accepted, if there is space available at that school.

1st Thursday of March:

- New students living outside of PUSD boundaries will be accepted, if schools are not at capacity. These students must fill out an Open Enrollment application.
  March - August:
  - All students living within the school's attendance boundaries are accepted.
- New students outside of school's attendance boundaries or PUSD boundaries will be accepted, if space is available in their grade level at their requested school. (see below).

## Open enrollment procedure for new-to-PUSD K-4 students. (Students not living in the attendance area of the K-4 school the new family is requesting to attend.)

NOTE: <u>Abia Judd ES, Lincoln ES, and Taylor Hicks ES are ALL 'A-Rated' schools by the AZ State Board of Education.</u> All use the same curriculums for each subject, and have excellent teachers, and strong test scores. All three offer Art, Music, PE, a full library, after-school clubs, and a full-time Registered Nurse. Busing is available from Prescott ONLY within each school's attendance area. (PUSD has buses that run to/from Prescott Valley and Chino Valley as well, which stop at each PUSD K-4 school.)

- 1. The family of a new PUSD student contacts the school they would like to attend.
- 2. Based on current enrollment, the school confirms whether or not they can accept additional out-of-area students in the grade(s) being requested.
  - a. If space is available for out-of-area students at the family's first-choice school in the grade(s) requested, the new out-of-area student is enrolled in their first choice school. Students living outside PUSD's boundaries fill out an Open Enrollment application.
  - b. If space is not available at the first-choice school, the family is advised which of our other two A-Rated K-4 schools has space available in the grade(s) requested.
- 3. Because balanced enrollment and lower class sizes benefit all students, out-of area students will be directed first to the school with the lowest class sizes in the requested grade(s).
- 4. Families may ask to be placed on a waiting list at their first-choice school, in case enrollment later decreases at that school.