



January 2024

Dear Parent/Legal Guardian:

The Alabama Accountability Act of 2015 was created to provide school choice to students attending certain designated schools. The Act also includes a provision for financial assistance through an income tax credit to a parent who transfers a student from a Priority School to another public or non-public school of the parent's choice.

Clanton Middle School, Chilton County High School, and Jemison High School have been designated a Priority School pursuant to the Act. This designation does not reflect progress that is in fact occurring at your school. Strategies are currently being implemented to ensure that your child receives the best education possible.

As a result, we are required to notify you of your options as follows:

- **Option 1** – Your child may remain or enroll in his or her assigned school and may continue to take advantage of the programs provided by the Chilton County Board of Education.
- **Option 2** – Your child may transfer to a comparable school that is not included on the annual list of Priority Schools in the same local system that has available space and is willing to accept the student.
- **Option 3** – Your child may transfer to a qualifying non-public school in Alabama that is willing to accept the student.

Parents who elect to utilize the transfer process (Options 1, 2, or 3) must complete an appropriate Student Transfer Form. The form is available by contacting mpknowles@chiltonboe.com.

This Student Transfer Form must be submitted to Chilton County Board of Education by **March 31, 2024**, for the 2024-2025 school year.

Finally, please be aware that this letter is an important income tax document. Please retain a copy of it and the Student Transfer Form for preparation of your upcoming state income tax return. You will need to submit the Student Transfer Form with your state tax return to the Alabama Department of Revenue if you request a tax credit pursuant to Alabama Act No. 2015-434 and Alabama Act 2023-418.

If you have any questions regarding this notification, please feel free to contact (205) 280-3000.

Sincerely,


Superintendent