COPY OF LETTER TO PARENT JANUARY 8, 2021

We are excited to announce that beginning Friday, January 8, 2021, Hampton City Schools will be accepting applications for the school division's Choice Middle School Program for the 2021-2022 school year. The enclosed Choice Middle School Information Sheet highlights choice options and announces the dates and times of open houses to help families make an informed decision.

To ensure equity in selection, seats at these Choice Middle Schools will be filled through a lottery system. When applying for a Choice Middle School, it is important that both child and family have a willingness to work hard toward academic success and show a commitment to the chosen school's mission. Families must also provide transportation to Choice Middle School Programs.

The Choice Middle School Application process will be available online via the Hampton City Schools' website at http://www.hampton.k12.va.us/schools/choiceschools.php. After completing the application online, families will receive a confirmation of submission. All applications should be completed by Monday, February 8, 2021.

Notifications regarding lottery acceptance to a Choice Middle School or placement on the waiting list will be emailed to families during the week of February 22, 2021. In the email you will be provided a link to confirm your Choice Middle School selection no later than March 19, 2021.

Parents may also opt to complete an Out-of-Zone application for a middle school by submitting an Out-of-Zone Application online or to the principal of the respective school after March 1, 2021. Parents will also be able to complete Out-of-Zone applications online via our website at http://www.hampton.k12.va.us/. Out-of-Zone placements are based on space availability and parents must provide transportation. Parents will be notified of an Out-of-Zone placement by August 13, 2021.

We encourage you to call your building principal or visit our website at http://www.hampton.k12.va.us/schools/choiceschools.php to review information on Choice Middle Schools and the many high quality academic offerings available in Hampton City Schools.

Sincerely,

Jeffery Smith, Ed.D. Superintendent

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