

No Child Left Behind Public School Choice Accountability
For
“High Priority” Title I Schools

- **Public School Choice:** NCLB mandates that **ALL** students enrolled in a High Priority Title I school identified for improvement, corrective action, or restructuring be afforded the opportunity to transfer to another public school in the school district that is in good standing. Priority for first choice will be given to the lowest achieving, low-income students.
- **Prior Public School Choice Participation:** During school year 2010-2011, SHS had 563 students who were eligible to participate in Public School Choice since students who have previously transferred under PSC have the right to finish the highest grade level at their “choice school”. Eighteen SHS students exercised that option. TPHS had 456 students who were eligible to participate in Public School Choice. Two TPHS students exercised that option.
- **Transportation:** Transportation for those wishing to transfer to a school in the district that is in good standing must be provided by the school system. If funds are not available for all students to be transported, priority for transportation will be given to the lowest achieving, low-income students.
- **Parent Notification:** Parents must be provided written notice about the school’s improvement status, the Public School Choice, the Public School Choice option and the possibility for Supplemental Educational Services tutoring no later than 14 calendar days before the start of school.
- **Monroe County School System’s NCLB Status:** The Monroe County School System is in “Target” NCLB status.
- **Monroe County School System’s “High Priority” Title I Schools:** Tellico Plains High School is in “School Improvement I-Improving” status for failing to make adequate yearly progress (AYP) on their graduation rate (see attached chart). TPHS will be in “Good Standing” in school year 2011-2012. Sweetwater High School is now “Good Standing”.
- **Transfer Option:** Students from Tellico Plains High School who wish to transfer under their NCLB Public School Choice option may move to Sequoyah High School, a school which is in “Good Standing” under NCLB.
- **Public School Choice Transfer Timeline:** Families will have until Friday, 20 August 2010 to decide if they wish to transfer.
- **NCLB Information:** For further information on the accountability factors of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, please contact Monroe County’s Accountability and Parent Involvement Facilitator Lee Anne Strickland at 423.442.7104.
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