Due to rising interest in Field, we have put together a brief guide for families considering enrolling at Field for the 2020 school year. Thank you for your interest in Field Elementary.

- The Field Elementary PTO

**How to enroll for non-zoned families**

*If Field is your first choice:

On the School Choice website, part 3 of the application, select “Open Enrollment Transfers” and choose “Space Available,” then select Field and rank it as your first choice. The principal will receive your transfer request and, if space is available, will approve the request and accept your application. Should you have schools ranked below Field, your application at those schools will be declined. You will be contacted by the Field Registrar to complete your enrollment.

*If Field is on your ranked list, but not #1

You may rank Field as one of your choices (following the above directions on how to select Field on the website). Your application will go on a separate list from the “first choice” applications, and you will get a spot if there is space available once all the first-choice transfers have been offered a seat.

**How to enroll for zoned families**

Families who live within the Field attendance zone have priority. However, the earlier you register the better, as the budget for the upcoming school year is finalized in the early spring. This affects the number of classes, teachers, class size, and so on, so for school planning purposes it is recommended to enroll at the PreK/K Roundup or by mid-April 2020.

**Frequently Asked Questions**

*What is a “neighborhood school”?

Simply put, a neighborhood school is a school that does not offer a theme-based curriculum like a magnet school does. Neighborhood schools are not part of the lottery system, and do not receive extra funding for school programs.

*Does a neighborhood school like Field have a Vanguard (GT) program? What about ancillaries?

All schools in HISD have Vanguard (GT) programs. At Field, our students rotate through 4 ancillary classes per week: PE, music, library, and an extra fine arts program (varies by grade level).

*What does “Space Available” mean?

Per the HISD website, “Space-Available Transfers give HISD Parents/Guardians the option of transferring their student to schools in the HISD that have been determined to have available space for district students”

*How is the available space determined?

The district uses numbers based on current enrollment and building capacity with 95 percent as the cut-off rate to determine which schools have available space and how many spaces for the upcoming school year.