

Bethlehem Township School District Choice Profile for 2027-2028 School Year

Bethlehem Township School District
280 Asbury-West Portal Road
Asbury, NJ 08802
Hunterdon County

District grades: Pre-K-8
Approved choice grades: K-8
Total number of students enrolled in district: 345

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Choice Program

The Bethlehem Township School is a high performing district comprised of two schools: Thomas B. Conley Elementary which houses students in grades PreK through five and Ethel Hoppock Middle School which has students from grades six through eight. The district offers students a full range of academic, enrichment, and co-curricular opportunities including sports, clubs and activities. Our district-wide 1:1 initiative provides students in grades K-5 with a district owned iPad and students in grades 6-8 with a Chromebook in order to engage with the curriculum and instruction taking place in the classrooms. We foster inquiry based instruction through our programming in science and STEM programs. Our holistic approach to teaching language arts provides students with opportunities to engage in everything from direct instruction to self-selected reading and writing activities.

We prepare our students to be life-long learners by teaching them how to think critically, collaborate with others and to explore their passions within our curriculum. Students will benefit from the newly adopted Response to Intervention (RTI) framework that will provide each student with what they need in order to be successful in school and beyond.

The combination of small class sizes and a dedicated, well trained teaching staff makes Bethlehem Township School District one of Hunterdon County's and New Jersey's best places to learn and grow.

Choice Seats Availability

*The purpose of the chart below is to inform parents of choice seat availability **before** the application deadline in early December. After the deadline, the information will be outdated.*

The Department of Education limits the number of choice seats that each district can fill. The “maximum number of new choice students that can be enrolled” tells parents how many *new* choice students the district can enroll in the next school year. If more than the maximum number of applications is received, a lottery will be held and a waitlist will be developed. ***Waitlists will be developed for all approved choice grades even if no seats are currently available. NA indicates the district is not accepting choice applications for those grades.***

Maximum Number of New Choice Students that can be Enrolled: 2

Grade	Seat availability per grade
K	Available
1	Available
2	Available
3	Available
4	Available
5	Available
6	Available
7	Available
8	Available
9	Not Available
10	Not Available
11	Not Available
12	Not Available

District Choice Policies	Indicate Yes/No/NA
The district accepts Tier 2 students (see definitions of Tier 1 and Tier 2).	Yes
The district gives enrollment preference to choice applicants who have a sibling currently attending the choice district and who will continue to attend in the following school year, provided there are choice seats available in the choice-approved grades/programs and the students meet any program-specific criteria.	Yes

District Choice Policies	Indicate Yes/No/NA
The district gives enrollment preference to choice applicants who have completed the terminal grade of the sending district (i.e., students who attend a choice district with grades that terminate before 12th grade and have a natural progression to this choice district), provided there are choice seats available in the choice-approved grades/programs and the students meet any program-specific criteria.	N/A
The district gives enrollment preference to resident students who move <i>before the application deadline</i> . If resident students move and file choice applications for the following year prior to the deadline, the district will give them enrollment preference (i.e., accept them after the enrollment preference students described in b. and c. above, but ahead of other applicants), provided there are choice seats available in the choice-approved grades/programs and the students meet any program-specific criteria. <i>If the district has already reached its approved choice enrollment maximum, this preference will not apply.</i>	Yes
The district gives special consideration to resident students who move <i>after</i> the application deadline. Students in this situation may apply as late applicants and be added to the front of the district's waitlist, provided the students will enroll in a choice-approved grade/program and they meet any program-specific criteria. No additional choice seats above the maximum will be approved by the NJDOE to accommodate these students.	Yes