

281—16.15(82GA, HF877) Open enrollment not applicable. Iowa’s open enrollment statute (Iowa Code section 282.18) is not applicable for the parent or guardian of an eligible child who desires to access an approved program in a school district not of the child’s residence. Approved programs are open to all eligible Iowa children, regardless of a child’s district of residence. Accordingly, it is neither necessary for a parent or guardian to file an open enrollment application, nor will open enrollment applications for approved preschool programs be allowed.

Participation by a child in an approved program under these rules does not provide “good cause,” as defined in Iowa Code section 282.18(4) “b,” for the child’s parent or guardian to file for open enrollment after the deadlines specified in Iowa Code section 282.18, subsections 2 and 4, by claiming continuous enrollment in the receiving district. (See also 281—subrule 17.8(7).)