



Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board  
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## **Policy Manual – Schools**

### **S.04 Secondary School Students Out-of-Boundary Requests**

(previously known as S.04 Exceptions - Secondary School Boundaries Requests – Grade Eight Students & S.05 Exceptions – School Boundaries and Transfers – Secondary Schools)

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#### **Policy Statement**

The Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of school boundaries for attendance purposes. School attendance boundaries play a significant role for the Board to operate and maintain the system schools as effectively and efficiently as possible to support student achievement. The framework for the consideration of out-of-boundary requests, amongst other factors, reviews the availability of classroom space, the Ministry of Education class size regulation and most importantly, impact on student achievement.

#### **Policy Supports**

S.04 Secondary School Students Out-of-Boundary Requests Procedures

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to identify the process for consideration of exceptions to secondary school boundaries. Exceptions **may** be granted to grade eight students whose parents/**guardians** apply for this exception on or before the first week of February.

#### **Responsibility**

**Superintendent of Education, School Principal and Planning & Accommodation Department**

#### **Regulations**

Education Act S.32(1); **Ont.Reg.132/12 Class Size**

#### **Related Policies**

S.03 Elementary School Boundaries

#### **Related Board Committee**

**Committee of the Whole and Policy Review and Strategic Planning Committee**

#### **Policy Review Date**

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