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Purpose

The Board shall operate district schools for the benefit of students residing in this district who are eligible for attendance.[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)

Authority

{X} The Board may permit the admission of nonresident students in accordance with **law and Board policy**.[\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)[\[7\]](#)[\[8\]](#)[\[9\]](#)

The Board shall require that appropriate legal documentation showing dependency or guardianship or a sworn statement of full residential support be filed with the Board Secretary before an eligible nonresident student may be accepted as a student in district schools. The Board may require a resident to submit additional, reasonable information to substantiate a sworn statement, in accordance with guidelines issued by the PA Department of Education.[\[7\]](#)[\[8\]](#)

The Board reserves the right to verify claims of residency, dependency and guardianship and to remove from school attendance a nonresident student whose claim is invalid.[\[10\]](#)

If information contained in the sworn statement of residential support is found to be false, the student shall be removed from school after notice is given of an opportunity to appeal the student's removal, in accordance with Board policy.[\[7\]](#)[\[9\]](#)

{X} The Board shall not be responsible for transportation to or from school for any nonresident student residing outside school district boundaries, **except in accordance with law and Board policy**.[\[11\]](#)

Tuition rates shall be determined annually in accordance with law. Tuition shall be charged monthly, in advance of attendance.[\[9\]](#)[\[12\]](#)[\[13\]](#)

Guidelines

Nonresident Children Placed in Resident's Home

Any child placed in the home of a district resident by a court or government agency shall be admitted to district schools and shall receive the same benefits and be subject to the same responsibilities as resident students. [\[6\]\[14\]](#)

Residents of Institutions

A child who is living in or assigned to a facility or institution for the care or training of children that is located within this district is not a legal resident of the district by such placement; but the student shall be admitted to district schools, and a charge shall be made for tuition in accordance with law. [\[7\]\[12\]\[14\]\[15\]\[16\]\[17\]\[18\]\[19\]\[20\]](#)

Students Experiencing Educational Instability

The district shall immediately admit students experiencing homelessness, foster care and other forms of educational instability, even if the required documents are unavailable, in accordance with Board policy, law and regulation. [\[5\]\[11\]\[14\]](#)

Children of Active Duty Military Families

Children of active duty military families shall be eligible for enrollment in this district in accordance with the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, state law and Board policy. [\[5\]\[8\]\[10\]\[21\]](#)

Other Nonresident Students

A nonresident student may be admitted to district schools without payment of tuition where attendance is justified on the grounds that the student lives full-time and not just for the school year with district residents who have assumed legal dependency or guardianship or full residential support of the student. [\[10\]\[22\]](#)

The Board shall require that appropriate legal documentation showing dependency or guardianship or a sworn statement of full residential support be filed with the Board Secretary before an eligible nonresident student may be accepted as a student in district schools. The Board may require a resident to submit additional, reasonable information to substantiate a sworn statement, in accordance with guidelines issued by the PA Department of Education. [\[10\]\[22\]](#)

If information contained in the sworn statement of residential support is found to be false, the student shall be removed from school after notice is given of an opportunity to appeal the student's removal, in accordance with Board policy. [\[10\]\[23\]](#)

{X} Prospective Residents

A student eligible for attendance whose parent/guardian has executed a contract to buy, build or rent a residence in this district for occupancy by October 1 may be enrolled [\[9\]](#)

(X) at the beginning of the school year, provided that the anticipated date of residency is not later than October 1 of the same school year.

If the student does not become a resident of the district by the end of the period for which

(X) free attendance is given,

tuition shall be required until residency is established.

Parents/Guardians of students who claim admission on the basis of future residency shall be required to demonstrate proof of the anticipated residency.

{X} Former Residents

Regularly enrolled students whose parents/guardians have moved out of the district may be permitted to finish the [\[9\]](#)

(X) semester

(X) without payment of tuition and

(X) when the student is completing the senior year and will graduate.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative regulations for the enrollment of nonresident students.

The Superintendent shall

{X} report to the Board for its information the enrollment of nonresident students.

NOTES:

Incarcerated Juveniles

Convicted – SC 1306.2, 1318

Charged – SC 1306.2

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Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (MIC3)

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