

ADMISSION OF NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS

The Board of Education affirms that its primary responsibility is to provide the best possible educational opportunities for the children who are legal district residents and who are of legal age to attend school.

However, a non-resident student may be admitted to district schools upon payment to the district of the Board-adopted tuition charge, if and only if:

1. I. there is sufficient space and facilities to accommodate the non-resident student;
2. no increase in the size of faculty or staff will be necessary to accommodate them;
3. the non-resident student meets the district's criteria for admission; and
4. the admission of such non-resident student is and continues during the enrollment period to be in the best interests of the district.

A written application of the parents/guardian must be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools annually, on or before May 15th each year. Late requests will be considered in the order in which they were received. The Superintendent will determine the residency of the student based on questionnaires (Form 18) and an interview. The Superintendent will, after consultation with the Board of Education, accept or reject the application.

Tuition shall be payable to the District Treasurer. It must be paid in full on or before the July 15 preceding the beginning of the school year, or in two equal installments on or before July 15 and the following January 1.

The following categories of non-resident students may be accepted into the district on tuition-free basis at the discretion of the Board:

1. Future residents. Children of families who have signed a contract to buy or build a residence in the school district may be enrolled during the semester (60 days) in which they expect to become residents. A copy of the signed contract shall be provided to the Superintendent for review and approval before such children may be enrolled in the district's schools. Parents shall be required to transport their children to and from school until such time as they move into their residence in the school district.
2. Former residents. Students who begin the school year as bona fide district residents and who subsequently move out of the district, may continue to attend district schools, tuition-free, through the end of current school year.
3. Children of Employees. The children of a currently employed staff member may attend district schools, tuition-free, provided all other criteria for admission are met.
4. Foreign Exchange Students. When a non-resident student is associated with a well-established and officially recognized student exchange program and the A host family resides in the district, he/she may attend district schools tuition-free.

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Transportation

The district shall not be responsible for the transportation of non-resident students accepted on either a tuition or tuition-free basis. The district may, at its discretion, provide transportation to a non-resident student from a stop along a regular transportation route within the district; in no event shall such transportation be made available if it would result in either overcrowding the vehicle or added expense to district taxpayers.

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