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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

The Board may permit the admission of nonresident students in accordance with Board policy.[\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)

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 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.[\[7\]](#)

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.[\[7\]](#)[\[9\]](#)

The Board shall not be responsible for transportation to or from school for any nonresident student residing outside school district boundaries.

Tuition rates shall be determined annually in accordance with law. Tuition shall be charged monthly, in advance of attendance.[\[5\]](#)[\[10\]](#)[\[11\]](#)

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.[\[12\]](#)

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 s/he shall be admitted to district schools, and a charge shall be made for tuition in accordance with law.[\[10\]](#)[\[13\]](#)[\[14\]](#)[\[15\]](#)[\[16\]](#)[\[17\]](#)[\[18\]](#)[\[19\]](#)

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 within three (3) months of admission of said student may be enrolled with payment of tuition.[\[5\]](#)

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

Tuition payment shall be deferred for three (3) months pending presentation of satisfactory evidence to the district that residence within the district has been established.

If an affidavit of residence is completed indicating an occupancy within three (3) months after the student's enrollment, all tuition due shall be forgiven. If an affidavit and proof of residence is not provided within three (3) months, all tuition due shall be submitted within thirty (30) days. The student may be permitted to remain and pay tuition for the remainder of the current school year, but shall be removed from the rolls if residence is not established within the first year of enrollment or immediately if tuition is not paid on time.

Former Residents

Regularly enrolled students whose parents/guardians have moved out of the school district may be permitted to finish the semester with payment of tuition.[\[5\]](#)

Students who have been enrolled in the District from 9th through the beginning of their 12th grade year whose parents/guardians are district residents for any part of the senior year (effective with the first student day) may complete the year without payment of tuition.[\[5\]](#)

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.[\[7\]](#)[\[8\]](#)

The district shall immediately enroll homeless students, even if the student or parent/guardian is unable to produce the required documents, in accordance with Board policy, laws and regulations. [\[20\]](#)

Tuition

Tuition charged pursuant to this Policy shall be calculated based on the rate set by the Pennsylvania Department of Education for tuition charges for pupils of other districts.

Delegation of Responsibility

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

The Superintendent shall present to the Board for its consideration the admission of qualified nonresident students under this Policy.

Replaces the Following Policies:

Policy 6005 – Tuition originally adopted April 10, 1963 and revised September 11, 1967, November 13, 1978, July 1, 1982, September 9, 1985 and November 11, 1985.

Policy 6005.1 – Admission and Attendance of Non-Resident Students adopted June 24, 1991