

Book Policy Manual

Section 200 Pupils

Title Eligibility of Nonresident Students

Code 202

Status Active

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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 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. [\[7\]](#)

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. [\[12\]](#)[\[13\]](#)

#### **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.[\[10\]](#)[\[13\]](#)[\[14\]](#)[\[15\]](#)[\[16\]](#)[\[17\]](#)[\[18\]](#)[\[19\]](#)[\[20\]](#)

### 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.[\[13\]](#)[\[21\]](#)

### Former Residents

Regularly enrolled students completing their senior year who have been enrolled in the school district for at least the previous two (2) years and is on track to graduate according to academic records, are eligible to request a tuition waiver for the remainder of the school year.

Consideration of the tuition waiver shall take into account:

A formal letter of request for a tuition waiver shall be submitted to the Superintendent by the parent/guardian.

- The student has prior satisfactory academic and department records.
- The parent(s)/guardian(s) of the students must present evidence of acceptable living and transportation arrangements. The district will not provide transportation.[\[5\]](#)

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

### **Delegation of Responsibility**

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

Requests for admission of nonresident students on a tuition basis must be submitted in writing to the Superintendent.

All nonresident students must be reported to the Superintendent's office immediately after enrollment.

The Superintendent shall report to the Board for its information the enrollment of nonresident students.

Legal [1. 24 P.S. 501](#)

[2. 24 P.S. 502](#)

[3. 24 P.S. 503](#)

[4. 24 P.S. 1301](#)

[5. 24 P.S. 1316](#)

6. Pol. 200

[7. 24 P.S. 1302](#)

[8. 22 PA Code 11.19](#)

9. Pol. 906

[10. 24 P.S. 2561](#)

11. Pol. 607

[12. 24 P.S. 1305](#)

[13. 24 P.S. 1331.1](#)

[14. 24 P.S. 1306](#)

[15. 24 P.S. 1307](#)

[16. 24 P.S. 1308](#)

[17. 24 P.S. 1309](#) [18.](#)

[24 P.S. 1310](#) [19. 24](#)

[P.S. 2562](#) [20. 22 PA](#)

[Code 11.18](#)

21. Pol. 251

[24 P.S. 1306.2](#)

[24 P.S. 2503](#)

[22 PA Code 11.41](#)

Pol. 103

Pol. 103.1