

EPHRATA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ELIGIBILITY OF
NONRESIDENT STUDENTS

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202. ELIGIBILITY OF NONRESIDENT STUDENTS	
1. Purpose SC 501, 502, 503	The Board shall operate district schools for the benefit of students residing in this district who are eligible for attendance.
2. Authority SC 1301, 1316 Pol. 200	The Board may permit the admission of nonresident students in accordance with Board policy.
SC 1302 Title 22 Sec. 11.19	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.
SC 1302	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.
SC 1302 Pol. 906	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.
SC 1316, 2561 Pol. 607	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.
3. Guidelines SC 1305	<u>Nonresident Children Placed In Resident's Home</u> 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.

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<p>SC 1306, 1307, 1308, 1309, 1310, 2561, 2562 Title 22 Sec. 11.18</p>	<p><u>Residents Of Institutions</u></p> <p>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.</p>
<p>SC 1316</p>	<p><u>Prospective Residents</u></p> <p>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 January 1, may be enrolled without payment of tuition.</p> <p>If the student does not become a resident of the district by the end of the period for which free attendance is given, tuition shall be required until residency is established.</p> <p>Parents/Guardians of students who claim admission on the basis of future residency shall be required to demonstrate proof of the anticipated residency.</p>
<p>SC 1316</p>	<p><u>Former Residents</u></p> <p>Regularly enrolled students whose parents/guardians move out of the school district after April 1 may be permitted to finish the school year with the payment of tuition. Permission to complete the school year without tuition may be granted based upon many factors including discipline record, academic record, available space, and special circumstances of the students.</p>
<p>SC 1302 Title 22 Sec. 11.19</p>	<p><u>Other Nonresident Students</u></p> <p>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.</p>
<p>Pol. 251</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative regulations for the enrollment of nonresident students, including provisions for tuition students in the event of nonpayment.</p>

<p>SC 1316, 2561</p>	<p>The Superintendent shall recommend to the Board for its approval the admission of qualified nonresident students.</p> <p><u>Tuition</u></p> <p>The district, when accepting a student who is not a resident of the district, shall assess tuition charges in accordance with statute. Acceptance of tuition students shall be determined on a case-by-case basis, recommended by the Superintendent and upon approval of the Board.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for developing administrative procedures regarding payment of tuition charges and exclusion of the student in the event of nonpayment.</p> <p>Invoicing procedures shall be administered through the business office.</p> <p>Tuition shall be charged monthly, in advance of attendance.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 501, 502, 503, 1301, 1302, 1305, 1306, 1306.2, 1307, 1308, 1309, 1310, 1316, 2503, 2561, 2562</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 11.18, 11.19, 11.41</p> <p>Board Policy – 000, 103, 103.1, 200, 251, 607, 906</p>
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