## **SHALER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## Section: Pupils Title: Enrollment in District Adopted: May 18, 2005 JISED: December 13, 2006: August 19, 2009: November 17, 201

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|                | 200. ENROLLMENT IN DISTRICT   |
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| 1. Authority   | The Board shall enroll school age students eligible to attend district schools, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, Board policy and administrative regulations.  |
| 2. Definitions | School age shall be defined as the period from the earliest admission age for the district's kindergarten program until graduation from high school or the end of the school term in which a student reaches the age of twenty-one (21) years, whichever occurs first.  |
|                | District of residence shall be defined as the school district in which a student's parents/guardians reside.  |
| 3. Guidelines  | School age resident students and eligible nonresident students shall be entitled to attend district schools.  |
|                | The district shall not enroll a student until the parent/guardian has submitted proof of the student's age, immunizations, a completed Parent Registration Statement and two proofs of residence as required by law and regulations.  |
|                | The district shall administer a home language survey to all students enrolling in district schools for the first time.  |
|                | The district shall normally enroll a school age, eligible student the next business day, but no later than five (5) business days after application.  |
|                | The district shall immediately enroll identified homeless students, even if the student or parent/guardian is unable to produce the required documents.   |
|                | The district shall not inquire about the immigration status of a student as part of the enrollment process.   |
|                | Enrollment requirements and administrative regulations shall apply to<br>nonresident students approved to attend district schools, in accordance with<br>Board policy.  |
|                | <u>Residency Eligibility</u><br>When the parents of a student reside in different school districts, the student<br>may attend school in the district of residence of the parent with whom the<br>student lives for a majority of the time, unless a court order or court approved<br>custody agreement specifies otherwise. |

| <ol> <li>Delegation of<br/>Responsibility</li> </ol> | If the parents of a student share joint custody and time is evenly divided, the parents may choose which of the two (2) school districts the student will enroll in for the school year.<br>If the student is an emancipated minor, as defined under Pennsylvania law, the resident school district shall be the one in which the student is then living.<br>The Superintendent or designee shall annually notify students, parents/guardians and staff about the district's admissions policy by publishing |
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|  | such policy in the student handbook, parent newsletters, district website and<br>other efficient methods.  |
|  | The Superintendent or designee shall develop and disseminate administrative regulations for the enrollment of eligible students in district schools.   |
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|  | References:  |
|  | School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1301, 1302, 1303a   |
|  | State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 11.11, 11.12, 11.41, 12.1   |
|  | Board Policy – 138, 201, 202, 203, 216.1, 251  |
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