

SHALER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

No: 202

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ELIGIBILITY OF NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS

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	<p style="text-align: center;">202. ELIGIBILITY OF NONRESIDENT STUDENTS</p> <p>The Board shall operate the schools of the District for the benefit of children who are residents in this District and eligible for attendance.</p>
<p>1. Authority</p> <p>SC 501 SC 1301 Title 22 Sec. 11.19</p>	<p>The Board may permit the admission of nonresident students in accordance with terms of this policy if the nonresident is fully maintained and supported in the home of a District resident, as if the child were the resident's own child and if the resident receives no compensation for maintaining the student in the District.</p>
<p>SC 1302</p>	<p>The Board reserves the right to verify the residency of any student(s) and to require a sworn statement of full residential support for the student who resides with a person other than his/her parent, guardian or custodian. If information contained in the sworn statement of residential support is found to be false, the student shall be removed from school.</p>
<p>SC 1302 Pol. 906</p>	<p>A nonresident pupil is a child who is seeking or is then in attendance at one (1) of the Shaler Area School District schools who is not a resident student pursuant to Section 1302 of the Pennsylvania School Code.</p>
<p>2. Definition</p> <p>SC 1302</p> <p>SC 1302 Title 22 Sec. 11.19</p>	<p>In reference to the child who is seeking to reside at a home in the Shaler Area School District other than the home of his parents or legal guardian, the Board shall require that appropriate court issued legal documents showing dependency or guardianship or a sworn statement of residential support be filed with the District before an eligible nonresident student may be accepted as a student in the District schools. The Board shall require a resident to submit additional reasonable information in substantiation of the assertions made in the sworn statement of the resident before the District accepts the child as a student. In accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Education, the resident must submit two (2) current items in group 1 on page 2 and one item from group 2:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Signer is a resident of the District:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Utility Billb. Pennsylvania Department of Transportation identification or driver's licensec. Pennsylvania Department of Transportation vehicle registrationd. Copy of state/federal program enrollmente. Copy of paycheck stub with name and address of employee and employerf. Residency affidavit

2. Signer is supporting the child gratis:
 - a. Copy of completed IRS form transferring tax exemption of child to resident.
 - b. Copy of federal or state tax form which lists child as a dependent of resident.
 - c. Copy of completed county form transferring child support payments to resident.
 - d. Copy of completed state form notifying Department of Public Welfare of child's new residence.
 - e. Copy of insurance policy/card/statement listing child as eligible for services.
 - f. Copy of lease/rental agreement identifying the emancipated student as a tenant.

This list of verifications is designed to establish permanent/legal/court-decreed guardianship of a child and essentially causes the child's parents to abdicate all rights to their children.

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.

This policy section is meant to apply to students who, for some unforeseen reason, are unable to reside with his/her parents or legal guardian. The term "unforeseen" is never intended to equate to the issue of wanting to attend Shaler Area because of a lack of confidence in the child's actual school district of residence.

This policy section regarding the establishment of legal custody is never intended to be co-mingled with the policy section Page 4, "Non-Resident Pupil who Becomes Resident Pupil" and deals with a family about to move to Shaler Area.

SC1305

Nonresident Children Placed in the District

SC 1306, 1307,
1308, 1309, 1310
Title 22
Sec. 11.18

Any child placed in the home of a resident of this district by a court or an agency of government shall be admitted to the schools and shall receive the same benefits and be subject to the same duties as resident children.

Residents of Institutions

A child who is living in or assigned to a facility or institution for the care or training of children located within this District, is not a legal resident of the District by such placement but shall be admitted to the schools of this District and a charge shall be made for tuition in accordance with statute.

Nonresident Pupil Tuition

Tuition shall be paid for nonresident pupils attending District schools at such rates and amounts as shall be determined annually by the Department of Education under its approved tuition calculation. The School District may request written assurance of payment from those persons responsible for the payment of tuition. Parents/guardians will be responsible for any cost incurred for a specialized program (i.e., vo-tech) that is above the cost of regular Shaler Area district tuition.

Nonresident Pupil Conduct

The rules and regulations of the School District applicable to the resident pupils shall likewise govern and apply to the activities and behavior of non-resident pupils.

Nonresident Pupil Transportation

Transportation of nonresident pupils to and from the schools within the District shall be the sole responsibility of the nonresident pupil, his/her parent, guardian, or other similar person. No reimbursement of any of the cost thereof will be made by the School District.

Nonresident Pupil Who Becomes a Resident Pupil

Where the family of a nonresident pupil enters into an unconditional contract or lease for the acquisition of a residence with the District before the opening of the school term, and where occupancy of the residence can reasonably be expected to occur on or before October 31, such nonresident pupil shall be entitled to attend schools within the District at the beginning of the school term. If occupancy of the residence does not, in fact, occur on or before October 31, tuition shall be payable for such nonresident pupil for all months beginning with the opening of the school term to the month in which residence is actually established. This policy section is never intended to permit a child to seek temporary or permanent guardianship with a Shaler Area family so as to avoid attending school in their district of residence that precedes the pending move to Shaler Area

Resident Pupil Who Becomes a Nonresident Pupil

Pol. 103

1. A pupil who becomes a nonresident pupil during the last report period of any school year may complete that school year without the payment of tuition.
2. A pupil who becomes a nonresident pupil at any time between the opening of the school term and the beginning of the last report period shall be transferred from the school district at the time of becoming a nonresident, except in the case of a senior.

<p>SC 1302 Title 22 Sec. 11.19</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. A senior who becomes a nonresident pupil at any time between the opening of the school term and the end of the first semester may complete his/her senior year within the district upon payment of tuition beginning with the month following the month in which s/he becomes a nonresident. 4. A pupil who has completed his/her junior year as a resident of the district and becomes a nonresident may attend and complete his/her senior year with the district upon payment of full tuition for his/her senior year. 5. A pupil who becomes a nonresident shall not be entitled to continue attending district schools by establishing residence with some other resident within the district solely for the purpose of continuing to attend district schools. <p><u>Other Nonresident Students</u></p> <p>A nonresident student may be admitted to the 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><u>Nonresident Pupil Residing Temporarily in District</u></p> <p>Any nonresident pupil temporarily residing within the District may be admitted to the schools of the District upon approval by the Board, with or without the payment of tuition.</p> <p>Applications for admission by such nonresident pupil shall be made to the Secretary of the District by the parents or other similar person and shall contain such reasons and other extenuating circumstances as may be reasonable to support the request. Such application shall contain data as to the financial ability to pay if a waiver of tuition is requested.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall develop procedures for the enrollment of nonresident children which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Admit such children only on the proper application of the parent or guardian. 2. Do not exclude any child, otherwise eligible, on the basis of such child's race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, or disability. 3. Verify claims of residency. 4. Make continued enrollment of any nonresident student contingent upon maintaining good standards of behavior and discipline.
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