

NONRESIDENT STUDENTS

Any student who resides outside the district may apply to attend a school in the district or file the parental declaration of the intent to provide home-based instruction and enroll for ancillary services, if any. ~~All applications for nonresident attendance or home-based instruction will be considered on an equal basis. The district shall provide information on inter-district enrollment policies to nonresidents on request.~~

~~The _____ Board of Directors annually will inform parents of the interdistrict enrollment options and parental involvement opportunities. Information on interdistrict acceptance policies will be provided to nonresidents on request. Providing online access to the information satisfies the requirements of this policy unless a parent or guardian specifically requests information to be provided in written form. The district will not charge any transfer fees or tuition costs for enrolling eligible nonresident students.~~

A parent or guardian ~~shall~~will apply for admission on behalf of his or her child by completing the appropriate district application. The superintendent ~~shall~~will develop an application form which contains information including, but not limited to, the current legal residence of the child and the school district in which he or she is currently enrolled or receiving home-based instruction, the basis for requesting release from the resident district and the specific building and grade level (elementary) or course offerings (secondary) in which the student desires to be enrolled if accepted by the district.

~~The superintendent will accept or reject an application for nonresident admission based upon the following standards:~~

- ~~A. Whether space is available in the grade level classes, or programs at the requested building. Space availability for the following school year will be considered for returning nonresident students beginning May 15th of each school year. Space availability for the following school year will be considered for new nonresident students beginning July 15th. Applications received outside of these timelines will be rejected and placed on a waiting list until space availability can be measured in accordance with the timelines above.~~
- ~~B. Whether accepting the students would create a financial hardship for the district.~~
- ~~C. Whether significant changes in services, settings, programs, or placements will be required of the district.~~
- ~~D. Whether the student's attendance in the district is likely to create a risk to the health or safety of other students or staff.~~
- ~~E. Whether the student's disciplinary records indicate a history of violent or disruptive behavior or gang membership or the student has a record of convictions for offenses or crimes.~~
- ~~F. Whether the student has been expelled or suspended from a public school for more than 10 consecutive school days.~~
- ~~G. Whether the student is currently under a suspension or expulsion from public school.~~
- ~~H. Whether the information on the application is complete or has been misrepresented.~~

~~Except for students who reside out of state, nonresident students of full-time certificated and/or classified school employees shall be accepted unless the nonresident student:~~

- ~~— A. — Has a history of convictions, violent or disruptive behavior, or gang membership;~~
- ~~— B. — Has been expelled or suspended from school for more than 10 consecutive days; or~~
- ~~— C. — Initial enrollment of a child would displace a resident student; however, once the child is admitted, that child may remain enrolled until he or she completes schooling.~~

~~If a nonresident student is accepted, the student or the student's parent(s) or guardian is responsible for providing transportation for the student.~~

~~A student who resides in a district that does not operate a secondary program shall~~program will be permitted to enroll in secondary schools in this district in accordance with state law and regulation relating to the financial responsibility of the resident district.

~~The Superintendent shall provide all applicants with written notification of the approval or denial of the~~

Standards for accepting or rejecting an application

The superintendent will accept or reject an application for nonresident admission based upon the following standards:

~~within 45 calendar days of receipt. The~~

- A. Whether acceptance of a nonresident student is for would result in the district experiencing significant financial hardship ("financial hardship" does not include routine programmatic costs associated with serving additional disabled or non-disabled students);
- B. Whether in the period of time stated in grade level or class at the letter informing building in which the student desires to be enrolled has the capacity for additional students;
- C. Whether appropriate educational programs or services are available to improve the student's family of the acceptance, condition as stated in requesting release from his or her district of residence;
- D. Whether the student's disciplinary records or other documentation indicate a history of violent or disruptive behavior or gang membership (a gang means a group of three or more persons with identifiable leadership that on an ongoing basis regularly conspires and in no case shall be greater than one acts in concert mainly for criminal purposes);
- E. Whether the student has been expelled or suspended from a public school year. Applications must be renewed prior to for more than ten consecutive days, in which case the student may apply for admission under the district's policy for readmission and reengagement of suspended or expelled students; and
- F. Whether enrollment for a subsequent school year. Acceptance may be revoked for conditions stated in the letter of a nonresident student would conflict with a district innovation academy cooperative under RCW 28A.340.080.

Admission or denial: Notice of decision and appeal of decision

The superintendent in a timely manner will provide all applicants with written notification of the approval or denial of a nonresident student's enrollment application. If the student is to be admitted, the superintendent ~~shall~~ for the superintendent's designee will notify the resident district and make necessary arrangements for the transfer of student records.

If the application is denied, the ~~Superintendent~~ superintendent will notify the parent or guardian of the reason(s) for denial and the right to appeal ~~petition the board of directors, upon five school business day's prior notice, for review of the decision and to have a hearing before the board at its next regular meeting.~~ Following the hearing by the board, a final decision will be promptly communicated to the parent in writing.

~~The final decision of the district to deny the admission of a nonresident student may be appealed to the Superintendent of Public Instruction or his or her designee. See WAC 392-137-190, pursuant to the process detailed in RCW 28A.225.230.~~

~~Eligibility of transfer students to participate in co-curricular activities shall be subject to the rules of the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association.~~

~~Cross References: Board Policy 3120 Enrollment~~

~~Legal References: RCW 28A.225.220 Adults, children from other districts, agreements for attending~~

Children of full-time employees

1. Pursuant to RCW 28A.225.225, a nonresident student who is the child of a full-time certificated or classified employee will be permitted to enroll:

~~At the school—~~

- ~~Tuition~~
 - a. 28A.225.240 Appeal from certain decisions to deny student's request to attend nonresident district—Apportionment of creditwhich the employee is assigned;
 - ~~28A.225.290 Enrollment options information booklet~~
 - ~~28A.225.300 Enrollment options information to parents~~
 - ~~WAC 392-137 Finance Nonresident attendance~~
 - b. 392-137-040 District policies—Procedures and criteria for releaseAt a school forming the district's kindergarten through twelfth grade continuum which includes the school to which the employee is assigned; or
 - c. At a school in the district that provides early intervention services pursuant to RCW 28A.155.065 and/or preschool services pursuant to RCW 28A.155.070, if the student is eligible for such services.

2. The district may reject the application of a student who is the child of resident—a full-time employee if:

- a. Disciplinary records or other evidence supports a conclusion that the student has a history of convictions, violent or disruptive behavior or gang membership; or
- a. The student has been expelled or suspended from a public school for more than ten consecutive days (however, the district's policies for allowing readmission of expelled or

suspended students and admission of the required reengagement procedures under this rule must apply uniformly to both resident and nonresident students applicants seeking admission, pursuant to RCW 28A.225.225(2)(b)); or

b. Enrollment of the nonresident child would displace a child who is a resident of the district.

3. If a nonresident student is the child of a full-time employee and has been enrolled under Section 1 above, the student must be permitted to remain enrolled at the same school or in the district's kindergarten through twelfth grade continuum until:

a. The student completes their schooling; or

b. The student has repeatedly failed to comply with requirements for participation in an online school program, such as participating in weekly direct contact with the teacher or monthly progress evaluations.

Cross References:

3120 - Enrollment

Legal References:

RCW 28A.225.220 Adults, children from other districts, agreements for attending school — Tuition

RCW 28A.225.225 Applications from nonresident students or students receiving home-based instruction to attend district school — School employees' children — Acceptance and rejection standards — Notification

RCW 28A.225.240 Apportionment credit

RCW 28A.225.290 Enrollment options information booklet

RCW 28A.225.300 Enrollment options information to parents

WAC 392-137 Finance — Nonresident attendance

Management Resources:

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Policy News, June 2003 Enrolling children of School Employees

Policy News, September 1999 School safety bills impact policy

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