

# THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ELIGIBILITY OF  
NONRESIDENT STUDENTS

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| 202. ELIGIBILITY OF NONRESIDENT STUDENTS                          |   |
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| <p>1. Purpose<br/>SC 501, 502, 503</p>                            | <p>The School Reform Commission shall operate district schools for the benefit of students residing in the City of Philadelphia who are eligible for attendance.</p>  |
| <p>2. Authority<br/>SC 1301, 1316<br/>Pol. 200</p>                | <p>The SRC may permit the admission of nonresident students in accordance with law and SRC policy.</p> <p>Before any eligible nonresident student may be accepted as a student in district schools, the SRC requires that appropriate documentation verifying the student's eligibility be submitted. The SRC reserves the right to verify claims of residency, dependency and guardianship and to remove from school attendance a nonresident student whose claim is invalid.</p> <p>Admitted nonresident students shall receive the same benefits and be subject to the same responsibilities as resident students.</p> |
| <p>Pol. 810</p>   | <p>The SRC shall not be responsible for transportation to or from school for any nonresident student residing outside school district boundaries.</p>   |
| <p>SC 1316, 2561<br/>Pol. 607</p>                                 | <p>Tuition rates shall be determined annually in accordance with law. Tuition shall be billed on a semi-annual bases in advance of attendance.</p>  |
| <p>3. Guidelines<br/><br/>SC 1302<br/>Title 22<br/>Sec. 11.19</p> | <p><u>Nonresident Children Residing With A District Resident</u></p> <p>Any nonresident child of school age residing with a district resident shall be admitted to district schools in accordance with law and regulations without payment of tuition provided that the student lives full-time and not just for the school year with district resident(s) who, without receiving compensation, have assumed legal dependency/guardianship or full residential support of the student.</p>  |

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| <p>Pol. 906</p>  | <p>The SRC shall require that appropriate legal documentation showing dependency or guardianship or a sworn statement of full residential support be filed with Superintendent or designee before an eligible nonresident student may be accepted as a student in district schools. The SRC may require a resident to submit additional, reasonable information to substantiate a sworn statement, in accordance with guidelines issued by the Department of Education.</p> <p>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 SRC policy.</p> |
| <p>SC 1305</p>   | <p><u>Nonresident Children Placed In Resident's Home</u></p> <p>Any nonresident child of school age placed in the home of a district resident by a court or government agency, with such resident being compensated, shall be admitted to district schools in accordance with law.</p>   |
| <p>SC 1306, 1307,<br/>1308, 1309,<br/>1310, 2561,<br/>2562<br/>Title 22<br/>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 to the sending district for tuition in accordance with law.</p>   |
| <p>SC 1306.2,<br/>1318</p>   | <p><u>Juveniles Incarcerated In Adult Facilities</u></p> <p>A juvenile who is eligible for educational services and is confined to an adult local correctional institution following conviction for a criminal offense shall receive educational services from the school district in the same manner and extent as an expelled student.</p>   |
| <p>SC 1306.2<br/>Pol. 132</p>  | <p>A juvenile who is eligible for educational services and is confined to an adult local correctional institution following a charge for a criminal offense shall receive educational services from the school district in the same manner and extent as a student placed in an alternative education program for disruptive students.</p>   |
| <p>SC 1316</p>   | <p><u>Former Residents</u></p> <p>Regularly enrolled students whose parents/guardians have moved out of the school district may be permitted to attend district schools, upon district approval and payment of tuition by the parent/guardian or the district of residence.</p>  |

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| <p>Pol. 251</p> <p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>Pol. 103</p> | <p><u>Homeless Students</u></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 SRC policy, law and regulations.</p> <p>The Superintendent or designee shall develop administrative procedures for the enrollment of nonresident students which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Admit such children only on the proper application of the parent/guardian.</li><li>2. Do not discriminate against any eligible child.</li><li>3. Verify claims of eligibility.</li><li>4. Deny admission where the educational facilities or program maintained for district students is inadequate to meet the needs of the applicant.</li><li>5. Make continued enrollment of any nonresident student contingent upon maintaining good standards of citizenship and discipline.</li></ol> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 501, 502, 503, 510, 1301, 1302, 1305, 1306, 1306.2, 1307, 1308, 1309, 1310, 1316, 1318, 2503, 2561, 2562</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 11.18, 11.19, 11.41</p> <p>School Reform Commission Policy – 103, 103.1, 132, 200, 251, 607, 810, 906</p> |
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