

PINE GROVE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: ELIGIBILITY OF
NONRESIDENT STUDENTS

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202. ELIGIBILITY OF NONRESIDENT STUDENTS	
1. Purpose SC 501, 502	The Board shall operate the school district for the benefit of children residing in this district and 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 appropriate legal documentation showing dependency or guardianship or a sworn statement of full residential support to be filed with the Board Secretary before an eligible nonresident student may be accepted as a student in the district. 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 Pol. 906	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 906, Public Complaints.
3. Guidelines	The Board shall not be responsible for transportation to or from school for any nonresident student residing outside school district boundaries.
SC 1301, 1302	<u>Bona Fide Residence</u> Pupils shall be admitted to the Pine Grove Area School District in accordance with the provisions of Sections 1301 and 1302 of the Public School Code of Pennsylvania.

	<p>Residence in the district is established by a parent/guardian when that person maintains and uses eating, sleeping, and other domestic accommodations in the district to the extent that the Board is convinced that these accommodations constitute a nontransient home. The owner of a property in the district does not qualify as a bona fide resident unless s/he maintains and uses the property at his/her home with full domestic accommodations which are normally associated with living in a home.</p> <p><u>Nonresident Children Placed In The District</u></p> <p>SC 1305 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 children.</p> <p><u>Future Residents</u></p> <p>SC 1316 A child otherwise eligible for attendance whose parent/guardian has executed a contract to buy, build, or rent a residence in this district for occupancy within sixty (60) calendar days, may be enrolled without payment of tuition for the sixty (60) calendar days previous to the anticipated date of residency. An Intent to Establish Residence Agreement form must be signed by the parents/guardians.</p> <p>If the child does not become a resident of the district by the end of the period for which free attendance is given, tuition will be charged for each day after the sixty (60) day grace period but prior to residency.</p> <p>Parents/Guardians of children who claim admission on the basis of further residence shall be required to demonstrate proof of the anticipated residency.</p> <p><u>Foreign And Foreign Exchange Students</u></p> <p>8 U.S.C. Sec. 1101 A nonresident student may be admitted to this district without payment of tuition where attendance is justified on the grounds that the student is visiting this country as an exchange student through a recognized foreign exchange program. Other foreign students who are not part of a recognized foreign exchange program will be subject to the SC 1302 requirements as outlined in this policy.</p>
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<p>SC 1306, 1307, 1308, 1309, 1310 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 the schools of this district and a charge shall be made for tuition in accordance with statute.</p>
<p>SC 1316</p>	<p><u>Former Residents</u></p> <p>Regularly enrolled children whose parents/guardians have moved out of the school district may be permitted to continue attendance under certain conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If migration is within the last half of any grading period, they may be permitted to complete that period in the district. 2. If migration is within the last semester of their senior year, they may complete that year without tuition payment. <p>The entrance or leaving of any nonresident pupils shall be immediately reported by the respective principals to the secretary.</p>
<p>SC 1302 Title 22 Sec. 11.19</p>	<p><u>Other Nonresident Students</u></p> <p>Pupils in the Pine Grove Area School District, living with persons other than their parents/guardians, are not to be enrolled until investigation has been made by the administration and their tuition or nontuition status has been determined.</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>Affidavits shall be secured in duplicate on school district forms from the legal representative of any student whose residence is questionable. One (1) copy shall be placed in the student's cumulative folder and one (1) copy forwarded to the Superintendent's office.</p>
<p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Superintendent shall develop procedures for the enrollment of nonresident students which:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Admit such students only on the proper application and submission of required documentation by the parent/guardian.

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Pol. 103	<ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Do not exclude any eligible student on the basis of race, creed, color, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, or handicap/disability.3. Verify claims of residency.4. Make continued enrollment of any nonresident student contingent upon maintaining established standards of attendance, discipline and academics.5. Deny admission where the educational facilities or program maintained for district students is inadequate to meet the needs of the applicant.
SC 1316, 2561 Pol. 607	<p>The Superintendent shall recommend to the Board for their approval the admission of qualified applicants.</p> <p>Tuition rates shall be determined in accordance with statute. Tuition shall be charged monthly, in advance of attendance.</p> <p>References:</p> <p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 501, 502, 1301, 1302, 1305, 1306, 1306.2, 1309, 1310, 1316, 2503, 2561</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 11.18, 11.19, 11.41</p> <p>Board Policy – 103, 200, 607, 906</p>