

Superintendent or designee will have the responsibility to approve or deny requests for admission to the school district students who do not meet the domicile or residence requirements in 4120. Applications from residents of the school district will be given consideration before others. Admission may be granted for up to one full school year. An application must be submitted each subsequent school year in which admission is desired.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

A non-domiciled North Carolina student may be admitted and enrolled, at the discretion of the Superintendent or designee if the following conditions are met:

1. The parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian must submit a request in writing which explains why, in the opinion of the parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian, the student needs to attend school in the school district. An explanation of need may be considered when:
 - there are compelling, specific circumstances indicating that the student should continue his or her education in the school district (as, for example, when the student is in his or her senior year when the parent, legal guardian or legal custodian becomes domiciled outside the school district); or
 - there is an extraordinary, compelling, specific family need (as, for example, when a parent, legal guardian, or legal custodian is clearly unable to care for the child); or
 - other extraordinary, specific and compelling need or hardship is demonstrated.

Any reason having to do with athletics or participation in athletics is not a valid or sufficient explanation of need. The Superintendent shall maintain compliance with the guidelines of the North Carolina High School Athletic Association.

2. The Superintendent or designee has determined that space is available in the school district and in the particular school or program in which the student seeks to enroll.
3. The student must demonstrate that he or she was in good standing in the previous school attended by that student, in terms of academics, discipline, attendance and other measures of standing and progress in the school district. The student also must satisfy the requirements in policy 4115, Behavior Standards for Transfer Students.
4. With the initial application, the student must furnish a transcript and other student record data, including evidence of compliance with the North Carolina immunization requirements.
5. If the student is transferring from another school district in North Carolina, the student must submit a release approved by the Superintendent or designee of the other school district from which the transfer is being made.
6. If the student resides with an adult who is not the student's parent, legal guardian, or legal

custodian, the student must furnish the school district with a notarized written document showing that the parent, legal guardian or legal custodian consents to the student attending school in the school district and authorizes the adult with whom the student lives to make all decisions relating to the student's education, including, but not limited to, any decisions relating to placement, services, field trips, medical treatment, grading and reporting, discipline, participation in extracurricular activities and participation in athletics.

7. If the student is asserting residency in the school district, sufficient evidence must be provided with the initial application, such as a copy of utility bills.
8. If a student's address changes, it is the responsibility of his/her parent or guardian to notify the principal of the school which the student attends immediately. The principal can again require verification of residency.

RESCINDMENT/RENEWAL OF DISCRETIONARY ADMISSION

Admission may be granted for the duration of a student's stay in a school. That is, a student being approved to attend Pre-K at a school may continue to attend that school until the student is promoted to the Middle School grades. When this occurs, the parent, guardian, or legal custodian must submit a Student Transfer request to the principal of the school to which admission is requested. Also, such long term approvals are contingent upon the admission criteria outlined herein.

If it is determined, at any point in the school year, that a class room has exceeded the maximum number of students allowed based on the student teacher ratio, those out of district students' admission approval may be rescinded. This action will be made on a case by case basis beginning with the latest approved being re-considered first. Additionally, factors such as disciplinary infractions, academic standing, and attendance will be considered in determining which student's admission approval will be rescinded.

Nonresident students who are admitted based upon false or misleading information on their application will have their application voided and said acceptance will be rescinded. To be renewed, all admission criteria must continue to be met and the student must be in good standing in terms of academics, discipline and other measures of standing and progress in the school district.

Legal Reference: G.S. 7B, art. 35, 35A, art. 6; 50-13.1 to 13.3; 115C-231, -364 to -366.2

Cross Reference: Behavior Standards for Transfer Students (4115); Appeal of Admission Decisions (4140), Domicile or Residence Requirements (4120)

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