

ELIGIBILITY OF RESIDENT/NONRESIDENT STUDENTS

The School Board establishes the following residency policy for determining eligibility to attend the schools of this Corporation.

The Board will educate, tuition free, only those students who have legal settlement in the Corporation. Proof of legal settlement will be required for registration in the Corporation.

Where the legal settlement of a student cannot reasonably be determined and the student is being supported by and living with a person whose residence is within the School Corporation, the student may be enrolled without payment of tuition unless the parents are able to support the student and have placed him/her in the home of another person primarily for the purpose of attending school in the this Corporation without establishing legal guardianship or custodianship as required by Indiana law.

The Corporation will not accept foreign students on a Student Visa issued by any other agency than this Corporation. Foreign-exchange students, however, living with a resident host family, will be admitted if the program is approved by the State Board of Education.

Students whose parents do not have legal settlement within the Corporation but who present evidence that they will move into the Corporation within a short period of time may enroll in the schools of this Corporation.

Students who have completed the eleventh grade and have changed their legal settlement to another School Corporation may complete the twelfth grade in this Corporation.

Students who do not have legal settlement in the Corporation but whose parents or guardians are residents and involved in being granted legal guardianship shall be enrolled when the perspective guardian furnishes sufficient notarized documentation that such guardianship is in process.

Nonresident students may be accepted into the Summer School Program provided by this Corporation. The Corporation may charge a fee for nonresidents.

A married student living with a spouse or an emancipated minor shall be eligible to attend school without payment of tuition provided they reside in the Corporation.

CHILDREN OF JOINT CUSTODY DECREES

Children of Joint Custody Decrees may attend school without payment of tuition in this Corporation if one (1) parent has legal settlement in this Corporation and has physical possession of the child(ren).

If the student resides in another School Corporation but attends school in this Corporation (where one (1) parent has legal settlement), it is the obligation of the parents to provide transportation for the student from the home of the nonresident custodial parent.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

The Corporation shall accept nonresident students tuition free if a transfer is requested by a parent or adult student (18 or older) and agreed to by the School Corporation of legal settlement. Other nonresident students may transfer to this Corporation upon payment of transfer tuition. The Board does not encourage or solicit nonresident students and reserves the right, for any reason, to accept or reject all requests for enrollment in the Corporation.

I.C.20-26-11-1 et seq., 20-26-11-19 et seq.

NON-RESIDENT STUDENT ADMISSION

The Board of School Trustees recognizes that a child must be a legal resident of the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation in order to attend its schools. The Board further recognizes that extenuating circumstances often arise and it is for these cases that the following policy is adopted.

It is the intent of the Board that all applicable policies and laws in regard to student transfers shall be strictly enforced. Under no circumstances will the Board or its agents openly solicit enrollment of students from neighboring school corporations.

The Superintendent of Schools shall develop the operational procedures and forms necessary for the implementation of this policy.

Requests by parents or legal guardians of Indiana students who do not reside in the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation but who wish to enroll their child in the school system will be considered for enrollment if:

- Request for enrollment is submitted before July 1 prior to each school year for which admission is sought;
- Non-resident enrollment is for educational reasons;
- Non-resident student is in good standing in their resident school corporation, or, if a returning transfer student, in good standing at Carroll Consolidated School Corporation;
- All required documentation is submitted, is complete, and establishes compliance with Indiana law for admission to public schools (including, but not limited to, birth certificates, immunization records, proof of legal authority (in the case of legal guardianship), attendance, academic and disciplinary transcript from previous school);
- Parents or legal guardians agree to provide transportation to and from the school; and
- When applicable, the parents or legal guardians agree to pay the transfer tuition in a timely manner as established by the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation

The decision on acceptance of a non-resident student will be based upon:

- The student's attendance and academic record at the previous school;
- the student's disciplinary record at the previous school;
- if a returning student, the student's attendance, academic, and disciplinary record at Carroll Consolidated School Corporation;
- class size of the grade level in which the student is enrolling at Carroll Consolidated School Corporation;
- whether Carroll Consolidated School Corporation has the resources to provide the requested or necessary curriculum for the student; and
- whether the transfer will place an undue burden on the programming for resident students or Carroll Consolidated School Corporation.

No Non-resident student on expulsion from another school will be enrolled at the Carroll Consolidated School Corporation.

A Non-resident student who is permitted to enroll in Carroll Consolidated who exhibits repeated attendance or disciplinary problems will be subject to normal disciplinary procedures, and may be declined for consideration for re-enrollment in the following school year.

The School Board of Trustees will review and consider for action applications for enrollment upon completion of enrollment documentation and recommendation of the building principal and Superintendent.

Students transferring to this Corporation from other schools or school systems shall be placed in those classes or at those grade levels for which their previous educational experiences appear to qualify them. For beginning Kindergarten students, participation in Kindergarten Roundup is strongly encouraged to accurately assess readiness. The School Corporation reserves the right to change or modify such placements on the basis of later information, testing, or investigation.

Legal References:

I.C.20-26-11-2

I.C.20-26-11-6

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