

**Child Accounting – Eligibility of Resident/Nonresident Students**

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The Board of Education establishes the following procedures for determining eligibility to attend schools in this District:

**Resident Students**

- A. The Board will educate tuition free, those students who are legal residents of the District. Proof of residency and a certified birth certificate, or other reliable proof of student identity with an affidavit explaining the inability to produce a certified copy of the child's birth certificate, will be required for registration in the District.

The District may count a pupil as a “resident pupil” if the District has evidence that the pupil meets one of the following criteria:

1. Students, who are home-schooled or private-schooled, and are residents of Wyandotte, may enroll on a part-time basis in grades 1-12 in nonessential elective courses. Enrollment will be subject to all course enrollment requirements, i.e., course prerequisites, deadlines, etc.
2. Students who are living with relatives in the District under guardianship papers or with a notarized affidavit from the parents/legal guardians and residing relatives stating that the student needs to live with the relative for the purpose of acquiring a suitable home and not for educational reasons.
3. Students with an F-1 Visa and residing in the District.
4. Foreign students participating in a bona-fide foreign exchange program and living with a resident host family will be admitted tuition-free.
5. Students, residing in the District but not living with their parents, guardian, or person who qualifies in place of the parent, shall be ineligible to attend school in the District unless said students can be considered emancipated minors by court decree and have proven the establishment of an independent residence in Wyandotte.
6. Students where one parent or legal guardian resides in Wyandotte and the other parent or legal guardian is a resident of a different school district, the parents or legal guardians may decide which district to enroll their child(ren). Whichever district is chosen, the student will be considered a legal resident of that district.
7. Students who are homeless as per the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.
8. Students from a military family who have been placed in the home of a Wyandotte resident, who is either the non-custodial parent or a person serving as loco parentis under special power of attorney executed under applicable law while the custodial parent has been assigned to active duty shall be enrolled in the District. The student may elect to maintain school enrollment in his/her “home” school during this placement situation.

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- B. The Board, as delegated to the Superintendent, may release resident students to another school district, upon the request of the parents or guardians and recommendation of administration.

**Nonresident Students**

- A. Nonresident students residing within Wayne County, whose parents or guardians do not reside within the District, may enroll as a student if released by the sending school district, with approval from Wyandotte's Superintendent.
- B. Nonresident students enrolled in one (1) of the three (3) Center-based Special Education Center Programs, must first comply with all enrollment requirements of the student's home district; be eligible for enrollment as outlined in the student's IEP; and be recommended for attendance by the home school district.
- C. Nonresident students residing within Wayne County may be accepted as long as the Board of Education elects to be a District of Choice. The District will follow the regulations established by the State of Michigan for Districts of Choice. Nonresident students must comply with the following entrance requirements:
  - 1. There must be posted openings in the requested grade level.
  - 2. There can be no suspensions and/or expulsions within the previous two (2) school years.
  - 3. Nonresident students new to the District will be enrolled through a lottery process.
  - 4. Nonresident students who have siblings attending in the District will not go through the lottery process for enrollment, but must comply with all other requirements.
  - 5. Students, who were attending school during the most recent school year as a resident, may elect to remain as a student, without going through the lottery process, as long as they meet all other requirements.
  - 6. Nonresident home-schooled or private-schooled students may enroll, if space is available, on a part-time basis in grades 1-12 in nonessential elective courses. Enrollment will be subject to space availability and all course enrollment requirements, i.e., course prerequisites, deadlines, etc.
- D. Nonresident children of School District employees may enroll in the District through the District of Choice option and requirements. Employee's children will not be subject to the lottery process.