

Calvert County Public Schools
1305 Dares Beach Road
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**Policy Statement #3720 (Students) of the Board of Education
Regarding the Enrollment of Residents and Non-Residents in and the Setting of Tuition Rates for
Calvert County Public Schools**

I. Purpose

- A. To govern residency requirements for children of legal school age enrolling in Calvert County Public Schools
- B. To provide specific guidelines for the admission process for non-resident children of legal school age who wish to attend Calvert County Public Schools
- C. To set tuition rates for certain non-resident students who are domiciled with individuals who are not legal residents of Calvert County

II. Definitions

- A. Admission – right to access instruction in Calvert County Public Schools
- B. Custody – a court’s determination that grants the right to make important, long term decisions for a child. This includes aspects of the child’s upbringing, including but not limited to: education, medical and dental care, religious upbringing and financial decisions.
- C. Court Appointed Guardian – a legal guardian of a child or student who is appointed by the court
- D. Domicile – Residence, dwelling, home
- E. Emancipated minor - A child who has been granted the status of adulthood by a court order or other formal arrangement
- F. Informal Kinship Care – a living arrangement in which a relative of a child who is not in the care, custody, or guardianship of the local department of social services provides for the care and custody of the child due to a serious family hardship
- G. Legal Resident – an individual who primarily resides in a fixed, permanent and principal home which is located in Calvert County
- H. Tuition – a fee paid for instruction in Calvert County Public Schools

III. Policy Statement

- A. The Board of Education of Calvert County is committed to educating all students who are domiciled with parent(s), guardian(s), or a relative(s) providing informal kinship care who are legal residents of Calvert County. To that end, any child of legal school age who is domiciled with parent(s), guardian(s), or relative(s) providing informal kinship care who is a legal resident of Calvert County; or a child of legal school age who is considered homeless according to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Act of 2001; or a child of legal

school age who is considered emancipated and is himself/herself a legal resident of Calvert County; will be accepted for enrollment in the school of his/her attendance area.

- B. Any child of legal school age of non-resident parent(s), guardian(s) or relative(s) is required to apply for admission.
- C. The Board of Education will annually set tuition rates for admitted students who are not legal residents of Calvert County. The Board will set separate tuition rates for Maryland residents and non-residents.

IV. Delegation of Authority

- A. The Superintendent of Schools is directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy in accordance with all local policies and local, state, and federal laws and regulations and to communicate this policy and accompanying procedures to all relevant parties.

V. Exceptions

- A. There are no exceptions to this policy. However, the Board, by majority vote, may temporarily suspend all or part of this policy. Suspension of all or part of this policy, however, in no way relieves the Board of its obligation to comply with the pertinent local, state, and federal laws and regulations or the rules and regulations of the Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education.

VI. Review

- A. This policy will be reviewed at the end of three years, or sooner, if approved by majority vote of the Board of Education in public session.

VII. Effective Date

- A. This policy is effective June 8, 2017.

Citations

State Law: § 7-101 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

State Reg.: COMAR 13A.05.09.02B(3)(a)-(b)

Federal Law: McKinney-Vento Homeless Act of 2001

Adm. Reg.:

Neg. Agr.:

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