

POST FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 273

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Both Post Falls School District resident and non-resident students may apply for enrollment in Post Falls schools pursuant to the enrollment options program as provided by district policies. A non-resident student (out-of-district student) is one attending schools in a district other than his/her home district. A resident student is one attending school in his/her home district.

A student's residence is that of his/her parent or guardian, providing, however, the residence of a student between the ages of 18 and 21 is determined by the actual bona fide residence of the student without regard to the residency of his/her parent or guardian.

A Post Falls School District resident student may request a transfer to another school within the Post Falls School District. The requesting resident student may be accepted for enrollment at another school within the district when the acceptance would not create a hardship on the Post Falls School District and when the acceptance would meet the standards and guidelines set forth in district policies.

A non-resident student may be accepted for enrollment in the Post Falls schools under the enrollments option program described in I.C. 33-1402, where tuition would be paid by the home district or waived as described in I.C. 33-1404, when the acceptance would not create a hardship on the Post Falls School District and when the acceptance would meet the standards and guidelines set forth in district policies.

In situations where openings are limited, the Superintendent or designee may give priority to certain students. Preference for admission to the Post Falls School District may include, but is not limited to, the following priorities in order of consideration:

1. All in-district students and all those out-of-district students who were enrolled and in attendance in Post Falls schools the prior year providing the out-of-district student remains in continuous attendance in Post Falls schools;
2. Siblings of students described in #1 (above).
3. Out-of-district students included in district-to-district agreements wherein the sending school contracts with the Post Falls School District to educate specific individuals or groups;
4. Out-of-district students whose parents are employed by the Post Falls School District.

No out-of-district student shall be admitted to Post Falls schools when such student has been suspended from or expelled from another school district or is under suspension, expulsion or other disciplinary proceedings in another school district. The application of a resident student for transfer to another school within the district may be rejected when such student has been suspended or expelled from school or is under suspension, expulsion or other disciplinary proceedings.

An out-of-district student who applies and is accepted for admission to the Post Falls schools, but who fails to attend, shall be ineligible to again apply for an enrollment option in the Post Falls schools unless one or more of the standards set out in Items 1 through 4 above are applicable as determined by the Superintendent or his/her designee.

The provisions set out herein are not intended to and shall not prohibit the Board of Trustees from prescribing non-discriminatory preconditions or standards for admission where necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of its existing students and/or to protect its educational process. Standards may include the capacity of a program, class, grade level or school building. Standards may not include previous academic achievement, athletic or other extracurricular ability, disabling conditions, or proficiency in the English language.

The non-resident student, or his/her parent or guardian, shall be responsible for transporting the student to and from the school if the requested admission or transfer is granted.

Legal References: IC 33-1402, 1404 et seq

Applicable Procedural Regulations: 502.3a,

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