

Tuition Paying Pupils

1. The Superintendent is empowered by the Board to receive and accept applications by nonresident parent(s) or legal guardian(s) for the admission of their children to the regular education program on a space available tuition basis. This will apply to pupils who are eligible for admission to any grade in Hawthorne High School only. An applicant may be accepted under only the following conditions:
 - a. The Superintendent or his designee certifies that class size is such that admission of an additional pupil would not be detrimental. Further, the Superintendent or his designee certifies that the needs of the pupil are such that no additional expenditures, beyond the private tuition charged, will be needed.
 - b. Both the applicant and his or her parent(s) or legal guardian(s) complete and sign the application form. This will be done annually.
 - c. The Superintendent or his designee conducts an interview with the pupil and/or the parent(s) or legal guardian(s).
 - d. All required academic records and other application support materials have been submitted.
 - e. The administration recommends admission and the Board accepts the applicant.
 - f. The parent(s) or legal guardian(s) signs a Private Tuition Contract with the Board of Education, in the form of the contract approved by the Board.
2. Private tuition admission decisions will be made according to written criteria developed by the Superintendent and approved by the Board of Education. The administration is to select and recommend for approval those pupils who are most likely to succeed in the academic/behavioral environment of the school.



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3. The Board reserves the right to withdraw private tuition status from any pupil admitted under this policy for academic or disciplinary reasons or failure to pay tuition. If this occurs, the home district of the pupil will be notified. Pupils are admitted under this policy with the assumption that their education needs can be addressed at an incremental cost to the district equal to or less than the amount of tuition they are asked to pay. Should it be determined at any time that this is not so, the Board reserves the right to withdraw private tuition status.
4. In accordance with law and the Board's own policy, the decision whether to admit or not or readmit a private tuition pupil shall not be based upon gender, race, religion, economic status or social status.
5. The pupil shall agree to conform to school regulations or be excluded. All such cases of a pupil excluded under this provision shall be reported by the Superintendent and shall be approved by the Board.
6. The Hawthorne Board of Education shall in no event be responsible for the transportation of any nonresident pupil.
7. All tuition and related expenses shall be payable in advance monthly based on current rates (10 payments, 1 per month from September through June). Tuition in arrears by more than two weeks will constitute cause to release the pupil.

Nonresident Tuition Rates

1. The rates for private tuition pupils shall be set annually by resolution of the Board of Education.
2. In addition to the general education tuition costs as determined by the Board of Education, the parent must also pay the actual cost of any and all expenses that the Board incurs related to the services required by the student. If the district determines that the student requires such services after the year commences, the parent shall be expected to pay the prorated cost of such services.



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3. Pupils will be accepted in accordance with this policy on a first come, first served basis. The maximum legal capacity of any classroom of the school will not be exceeded.
4. In succeeding school years, those attending as private tuition pupils will be given preference over new non-resident applicants for attendance in the Hawthorne Public School District.
5. Tuition rates for out-of-district pupils will not be refundable or modifiable.

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