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Saint Paul Public Schools Policy

502.00

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502.00 ATTENDANCE AREAS: RESIDENT STUDENTS

I. POLICY PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to define the manner in which designated school attendance boundaries are determined including factors considered for buildings. Additionally, this policy provides clarity for continuity of enrollment.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

1. Every resident student shall be assigned to a designated school determined by attendance boundaries set by the Board of Education. Unless otherwise provided by law, a resident student is a student who resides with the student's parent or legal guardian in the Saint Paul Public School District. Each resident student shall attend the school in the student's own attendance area unless other placement or transfer has been authorized by district administration.
2. Establishment of such attendance areas shall be upon recommendation of the superintendent and approval by the Board and shall be preceded by community participation and discussion. Factors to be considered when establishing attendance areas include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - Size of building/pupil capacity;
 - Distances to be traveled;
 - Improved racial and economic integration;
 - Geographical, topographical or physical obstructions;
3. Once a student is enrolled in attendance at a school in accordance with this policy, the student may be allowed to continue at the same school until completion of the highest grade in that school even if the student's residence changes to another attendance area within the Saint Paul Public School District. In such instances, transportation shall be provided only to students eligible under the Board of Education's Transportation Eligibility Policy.

LEGAL REFERENCES:

CROSS REFERENCES: