

RANCHO SANTA FE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Policy No. 6028: CONTINUED ENROLLMENT OF CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS ARE TEMPORARILY NOT RESIDING IN THE DISTRICT

- A. The Superintendent may continue to allow enrollment of a child(ren) whose parent or legal guardian is a resident of the District during the period when the parent or legal guardian will be temporarily residing outside of the District due to renovation or construction work, including the construction of a new home, that requires the parent or legal guardian to leave the resident in the District. The superintendent's determination to approve or not approve the continuing enrollment of a child under this Board Policy is within her/his discretion as long as the rules in this Board Policy are fully complied with.
- B. The Superintendent may continue to allow enrollment of a child(ren) whose parent or legal guardian is a resident of the District during the period when the parent or legal guardian will be temporarily residing outside of the District only if all of the following rules are fully complied with.
1. The parent or legal guardian has resided in the District for not less than two (2) continuous years prior to the time when the temporary absence will commence.
 2. The parent or legal guardian must file a written request with the Superintendent prior to any temporary absence. The written request shall contain details of the planned renovation of construction work, reason(s) why the parent or legal guardian must temporarily reside outside of the District during such work, the anticipated length of time of such work, and the promise that once the work is completed the parent or legal guardian will promptly reside again in the District.
 3. The parent or legal guardian will cooperate with the Superintendent with regard to any inquiry the Superintendent may make regarding the written request or regarding relevant information if the request is granted.
 4. The District will not be responsible for the transportation to and from school for any child who is granted continuing enrollment under this Board Policy.
 5. A permit for continuing enrollment is valid only for the school year for which it is approved, or for six (6) months, whichever period is longer. If the parent or legal guardian wishes to extend the temporary absence for a longer period, then the parent or legal guardian must file an additional written request(s) with the Superintendent. A permit for continuing enrollment may be revoked any time if the Superintendent determines that the parent or legal guardian provided inaccurate information in the written request, is not cooperating with

any inquiry from the Superintendent, or is not planning on residing back in the District.

- C. A determination by the Superintendent to not approve a continuing enrollment of a child or to revoke an approval is within her/his discretion. Any appeal to the Board is limited, and it must be made in writing and received by the Superintendent within ten (10) days of the date of the Superintendent's determination. The appeal must contain the specific reason(s) for the appeal. The review by the Board is limited to an investigation of whether the determination by the Superintendent violated any rule in this Board Policy or whether the determination by the Superintendent is without merit.
- D. It is the long established policy and practice in the District that only residents of the District may enroll their children in the District. This Board Policy establishes a new, narrow exception to that long established policy and practice. The Board reserves the right to delete or amend this Board Policy whenever it reasonably believes that this new, narrow exception jeopardizes the long established policy and practice of denying all other requests for inter-district attendance requests from parents or legal guardians who are not residents of the District, and denying all petitions or requests for transfers of property into the District.
- E. Education Code section 35756.5 guarantees that any election regarding a proposed transfer of territory to a school district will include all voters within the school district only if the pupil attendance is 900 or less. The Board is aware that if the District grows to more than 900 pupils it will lose the protection of section 35756.5. This means that an election could be called and limited to those voters residing in the territory seeking to be added to the District, and excluding all those voters currently residing within the District. The Board reserves the right to delete or amend this Board Policy whenever it reasonably believes that the enrollment of children under this Board Policy jeopardizes the protection under section 35756.5.

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