

Nonresident Students

Consistent with Chapter 28A.225 RCW, any student who resides outside the Orchard Prairie School District may apply to attend a school in the district. All applications for nonresident attendance will be considered on an equal basis.

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee will develop an application form which the parent or guardian will complete to apply for the nonresident student's admission. The form will gather information such as the child's current legal residence, the school district where the student is currently enrolled, the basis for requesting release from the resident district, and grade level in which the student desires to be enrolled if accepted by the district.

The district will use the Standard Choice Transfer System in the Education Data System (EDS) to process the choice transfer requests.

Standards for accepting or rejecting an application

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee will accept or reject an application for nonresident admission based upon the following standards:

- A. Whether acceptance of a nonresident student would result in the district experiencing financial hardship;
- B. Whether in the grade level or class where the student desires to be enrolled has the capacity for additional students;
- C. Whether appropriate educational programs or services are available to improve the student's condition as stated in requesting release from his or her district of residence;
- D. Whether the student's disciplinary records or other documentation indicate a history of violent or disruptive behavior or gang membership (a gang means a group of three or more persons with identifiable leadership that on an ongoing basis regularly conspires and acts in concert mainly for criminal purposes);
- E. Whether the student has been expelled or suspended from a public school for more than ten consecutive days, in which case the student may apply for admission under the district's policy for readmission and reengagement of suspended or expelled students;
- F. Whether enrollment of a nonresident student would conflict with a district innovation academy cooperative under RCW 28A.340.080; and
- G. Whether the student has repeatedly failed to comply with requirements for participation in an online school program, such as participating in weekly direct contact with the teacher or monthly progress evaluations.

When capacity constraints exist under Section B above, preference shall be given to non-resident students enrolled in the previous school year. Nonresident students must reapply yearly.

Admission or denial: Notice of decision and appeal of decision

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee, in a timely manner, will provide all applicants with written notification of the approval or denial of a nonresident student's enrollment application. If the student is to be admitted, the superintendent or the superintendent's designee will notify the resident district and make necessary arrangements for the transfer of student records.

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Notification

RCW 28A.225.240 Apportionment credit

RCW 28A.225.290 Enrollment options information booklet

RCW 28A.225.300 Enrollment options information to parents

WAC 392-137 Finance -- Nonresident attendance

Management Resources:

2018 - December 2018 - December Policy Issue

2015 - October Policy Issue

Policy News, June 2003 Enrolling children of School Employees

Policy News, September 1999 School safety bills impact policy

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