

Students

Nonresident Twelfth Grade Student Attendance

Definition

A nonresident student is a student who:

1. Resides outside of the school district; or
2. Resides within the school district on a temporary basis; or
3. Resides within the school district on a permanent basis but with pay to the person(s) with whom the student is living; or
4. Resides within the school district for the sole purpose of obtaining school accommodations; or
5. Is a child placed by the State of Connecticut Department of Children and Families or by other agencies in a private residential facility. Under this circumstance, however, children may attend local schools with tuition paid by the home district unless a special education student's Planning and Placement Team determines that attendance in local schools and programs does not constitute an appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment. Children not requiring special education who live within the district as a result of placement by a public agency, other than another school board and except as provided otherwise in this paragraph, are resident students. Students requiring special education who are placed by a public agency other than another school board may attend local schools, with special education cost reimbursements in accordance with statutes, unless the student's Planning and Placement Team determines that attendance in local schools and programs does not constitute an appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment.

Nonresident Twelfth Grade Students

Twelfth grade students who become nonresident students during the course of their senior year, may attend the Region 10 Public Schools on a tuition-free basis in accordance with the provisions of this policy. In order to be eligible for such tuition-free attendance, the student must have attended at least all of their eleventh grade year at Lewis S. Mills High School.

To be considered for tuition-free attendance such students' parents, or the student, if aged eighteen (18) or older, must first apply to the Principal of Lewis S. Mills for a tuition waiver. In considering such applications, the Principal of Lewis S. Mills may consider the student's disciplinary history, if any, grades, attendance and overall positive contribution to the school community. Whether a student receives special education services or Section 504 accommodations shall not be considered by the Principal in his or her consideration of such applications.

If the Principal initially approves the application it shall be considered by the Board of Education at its next scheduled Board meeting. Until such time the nonresident twelfth grade student shall attend the Region 10 Public Schools on a tuition free basis.

Application for Nonresident Student Attendance

Except as may be otherwise permitted by law, parents/guardians or twelfth grade students eighteen (18) years of age or older must complete the Application for Nonresident Attendance found under Administrative Regulation 5113.1A in order for to be considered for nonresident student attendance. Completed applications should be delivered to Superintendent's Office.

Student Conduct

Nonresident twelfth grade students attending the Region 10 Public Schools will be governed by the same student discipline and behavior policies applicable to resident students. Nonresident, twelfth grade tuition-free attendance is a privilege and not a right. Accordingly, such attendance may be revoked at the sole discretion of the Superintendent.

Special Education/Section 504

Any nonresident twelfth student accepted into the Region 10 Public Schools who requires special education services or Section 504 accommodations, or who after admission is considered to be a candidate for special education services or Section 504 accommodations, shall not be referred to a Region 10 planning and placement team or 504 team, but shall be referred to the planning and placement team or 504 team in the community where the student would otherwise be attending school for all special education decisions. The Region 10 Board of Education will not be responsible for any special education or Section 504 costs of nonresident students unless required by law.

Transportation

Nonresident twelfth grade students enrolled in the Region 10 Public Schools, pursuant to this policy, must make their own transportation arrangements at their own cost and expense. Upon acceptance for attendance, students over the age of eighteen, or parents or guardians shall inform the Principal of Lewis S. Mills High School of their intended daily transportation arrangements and shall likewise inform the Principal whenever there is a need to change such arrangements.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

4-176e through 4-185 Uniform Administrative Procedure Act.

10-76d Duties and powers of boards of education to provide special education programs and services.

10-186 Duties of local and regional Boards of education re school attendance. Hearings. Appeals to state Board. Establishment of hearing board.

10-253 School privileges for students in certain placements and temporary shelters.

United States Code

42 U.S.C. §11432 Grants for state and local activities for the education of homeless children and youths.

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