Ross SD | AR 5111.1 Students

DISTRICT RESIDENCY

Criteria for Residency

A student shall be deemed to have complied with district residency requirements for enrollment in a district school if he/she meets any of the following criteria:

- 1. The student's parent/guardian resides within district boundaries. (Education Code 48200)
- 2. The student is placed within district boundaries in a regularly established licensed children's institution, a licensed foster home, or a family home pursuant to a court-ordered commitment or placement. (Education Code 48204)
- 3. The student has been admitted through an interdistrict attendance option, such as an interdistrict attendance agreement, "school district of choice" transfer, or Open Enrollment Act transfer. (Education Code 46600, 48204, 48301, 48356)

(cf. 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance) (cf. 5118 - Open Enrollment Act Transfers)

- 4. The student is an emancipated minor residing within district boundaries. (Education Code 48204)
- 5. The student lives with a caregiving adult within district boundaries and the caregiving adult submits an affidavit to that effect. (Education Code 48204)
- 6. The student resides in a state hospital located within district boundaries. (Education Code 48204)
- 7. The student is confined to a hospital or other residential health facility within district boundaries for treatment of a temporary disability. (Education Code 48204, 48207)
- (cf. 6183 Home and Hospital Instruction)
- 8. The student's parent/guardian resides outside district boundaries but is employed within district boundaries and lives with the student at the place of employment for a minimum of three days during the school week. (Education Code 48204)

Determination of Place of Residence

In determining the place of residence the following rules shall be observed:

- 1. It is the place where one remains when not called elsewhere for labor or other special or temporary purpose, and to which he or she returns in seasons of repose. Specifically, people intend to remain or return after a temporary absence.
- 2. There can only be one residence. Specifically, ownership of property does not alone constitute residency. Residency requires both the act and intent to reside at the property.

- 3. A residence cannot be lost until another is gained.
- 4. The residence of the parent with whom an unmarried minor child maintains his or her place of abode is the residence of such unmarried minor child.
- 5. The residence of an unmarried minor who has a parent living cannot be changed by his or her own act.
- 6. The residence can be changed only by the union of act and intent.
- 7. A married person shall have the right to retain his or her legal residence in the State of California notwithstanding the legal residence or domicile of his or her spouse. (Government Code 244)

Proof of Residency

Evidence of residency within the district shall be established by documentation showing the name and address of the parent or legal guardian within the school district, including, but not limited to, one or more of the following documentation: (Education Code 48204.1)

- 1. Valid California driver's license or state issued identification card with photograph
- 2. Property tax payment receipt
- 3. Rental property contract, lease, or payment receipt
- 4. Utility service contract, statement, or payment receipt
- 5. Pay stub
- 6. Voter registration
- 7. Correspondence from a government agency
- 8. Declaration of residency executed by the student's parent/guardian
- 9. If the student is an unaccompanied youth as defined in 42 USC 11434a, a declaration of residency executed by the student
- 10. If the student is residing in the home of a caregiving adult within district boundaries, an affidavit executed by the caregiving adult in accordance with Family Code 6552
- (cf. 5141 Health Care and Emergencies)

The Superintendent or designee shall make a reasonable effort to secure evidence that a homeless or foster youth resides within the district, including, but not limited to, a utility bill, letter from a homeless shelter, hotel/motel receipt, or affidavit from the student's parent/guardian or other qualified adult relative.

However, a homeless or foster youth shall not be required to provide proof of residency as a condition of enrollment in district schools. (Education Code 48852.7, 48853.5; 42 USC 11432)

(cf. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children) (cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)

A parent/guardian seeking residency status on the basis of his/her employment within district boundaries shall submit proof of the employment which may include, but not be limited to, a paycheck stub or letter from his/her employer listing a physical address within district boundaries. Such evidence shall also indicate the number of hours or days per school week that the parent/guardian is employed at that location.

Safe at Home/Confidential Address Program

When a student or parent/guardian participating in the Safe at Home program requests that the district use the substitute address designated by the Secretary of State, the Superintendent or designee may request the actual residence address for the purpose of establishing residency within district boundaries but shall use the substitute address for all future communications and correspondence and shall not include the actual address in the student's file or any other public record. (Government Code 6206, 6207)

(cf. 3580 - District Records)

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