

SECTION: STUDENTS

TITLE: **ENROLLMENT – NONRESIDENT STUDENTS**

<p>1. Authority</p> <p>2. Definition</p> <p>3. Guidelines</p>	<p>The Board shall operate the schools of the District for the benefit of children who are residents in this District and eligible for attendance.</p> <p>The Board may permit the admission of nonresident students in accordance with terms of this policy if the nonresident is fully maintained and supported in the home of a District resident, as if the child were the resident’s own child and if the resident receives no compensation for maintaining the student in the District.</p> <p>The Board reserves the right to verify the residency of any student(s) and to require a sworn statement of full residential support for the student who resides with a person other than his/her parent, guardian, or custodian. If information contained in the sworn statement of residential support is found to be false, the student shall be removed from school. In addition, the person shall pay all court costs and shall be liable to the school district for the cost of tuition during the period of enrollment.</p> <p>A nonresident pupil is a child who is seeking to attend or is a student in the Wilson Area School District schools and is not a resident student pursuant to Section 1302 of the Pennsylvania School Code.</p> <p>In reference to the child who is seeking to reside at a home in the Wilson Area School District, other than the home of his parents or legal guardian, the Board shall require that appropriate court issued legal documents showing dependency or guardianship or a sworn statement of residential support be filed with the District before an eligible nonresident student may be accepted as a student in the District schools. The Board shall require a resident to submit additional reasonable information in substantiation of the assertions made in the sworn statement of the resident before the District accepts the child as a student. In accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Education, the resident must submit two (2) current items in group 1 on page 2 and one item from group 2:</p>
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1. Signer is a resident of the District:
 - a. Utility bill
 - b. Pennsylvania Department of Transportation identification or driver's license
 - c. Pennsylvania Department of Transportation vehicle registration
 - d. Copy of state/federal program enrollment
 - e. Copy of paycheck stub with name and address of employee and employer
 - f. Residency affidavit

2. Signer is supporting the child gratis:
 - a. Copy of completed IRS form transferring tax exemption of child to resident
 - b. Copy of federal or state tax form which lists child as a dependent of resident
 - c. Copy of completed county form transferring child support payments to resident
 - d. Copy of completed state form notifying Department of Public Welfare of child's new residence
 - e. Copy of insurance policy/card/statement listing child as eligible for services
 - f. Copy of lease/rental agreement identifying the emancipated student as a tenant

This list of verifications, required unless waived by the Superintendent, is designed to establish permanent/legal/court-decreed guardianship of a child and essentially causes the child's parents to abdicate all rights to their children.

Nonresident Children Placed in the District

Any child placed in the home of a resident of this District, by a court or an agency of government, shall be admitted to the schools and shall receive the same benefits and be subject to the same duties as resident children.

Residents of Institutions

A child who is living in or assigned to a facility or institution for the care or training of children located within this District, is not a legal resident of the District by such placement, but shall be admitted to the schools of this District and a charge shall be made for tuition in accordance with statute.

<p>4. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p><u>Nonresident Pupil Tuition</u> Tuition shall be paid for nonresident pupils attending District schools at such rates and amounts as shall be determined annually by the Department of Education under its approved tuition calculation. The School District may request written assurance of payment from those persons responsible for the payment of tuition. Parents/guardians will be responsible for any cost incurred for a specialized program (i.e., vo-tech) that is above the cost of regular Wilson Area School District tuition.</p> <p><u>Nonresident Pupil Conduct</u> The rules and regulations of the School District applicable to the resident pupils shall likewise govern and apply to the activities and behavior of nonresident pupils.</p> <p><u>Nonresident Pupil Transportation</u> Transportation of nonresident pupils to and from the schools within the District shall be the sole responsibility of the nonresident pupil, his/her parent, guardian, or other similar person. No reimbursement of any of the cost thereof will be made by the School District.</p> <p><u>Resident Pupil Who Becomes a Nonresident Pupil</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A pupil who becomes a nonresident pupil during the last report period of any school year may complete that school year without the payment of tuition. The parents/guardians will be responsible for transportation. 2. A pupil who becomes a nonresident pupil at any time between the opening of the school term and the beginning of the last report period shall be transferred from the School District at the time of becoming a nonresident, except in the case of a senior. 3. A senior who becomes a nonresident pupil at any time between the opening of the school term and the end of the first semester may complete his/her senior year within the District upon payment of tuition beginning with the month following the month in which he/she becomes a nonresident. 4. A pupil who becomes a nonresident shall not be entitled to continue attending District schools by establishing residence with some other resident within the District solely for the purpose of continuing to attend District schools. <p>The Superintendent or designee shall develop and disseminate regulations for the enrollment of nonresident students in District schools.</p> <p>The Board reserves the right to at least annually verify claims of residency, dependency, and guardianship and to remove from school attendance a nonresident student whose claim is invalid.</p>
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**Wilson Area School District
RESIDENCY AFFIDAVIT**

I/We attest that all information provided here is correct and current. I/We understand that if residency should change, for any reason, it is the responsibility of the resident to notify the school district and amend the residency affidavit. Any false statements can and will be punishable by law.

I/We _____, currently reside at:

(Parent(s)/Guardian(s))

Address: _____

Phone: (Home) _____ Phone: (Cell) _____

Homeowner's Verification

Homeowner's Name: _____

Phone: (Home) _____ Phone: (Cell) _____

approval has been granted for (child's name) _____ to
reside with _____, at the address identified above.

Homeowner's Signature: _____ Date: _____

-OR-

Landlord's Verification

Landlord's Name: _____

Phone: (Home) _____ Phone: (Cell) _____

approval has been granted for (child's name) _____ to
reside with _____, at the address identified above.

Landlord's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Through my notarized signature, I/we grant the Wilson Area School District permission to investigate the above information that I/we have presented in this affidavit for confirmation and factual accuracy.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature: _____

PLEASE NOTE: A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY PROVIDES FALSE INFORMATION IN THIS SWORN STATEMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENROLLING IN A SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE CHILD IS NOT ELIGIBLE COMMITS A SUMMARY OFFENSE AND SHALL UPON CONVICTION FOR SUCH VIOLATION BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE OF NO MORE THAN \$300.00 FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE PERSON RESIDES OR TO PERFORM UP TO 240 HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE, OR BOTH. IN ADDITION, THE PERSON SHALL PAY ALL COURT COSTS AND SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE COST OF TUITION DURING THE PERIOD OF ENROLLMENT.

Sworn and Subscribed before me

this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

**Wilson Area School District
AFFIDAVIT OF GUARDIANSHIP/GRATIS SUPPORT
UNDER 24 P.S. §13-1302**

Resident Name: _____ Date: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Alternate Telephone: _____

NAME OF CHILD/CHILDREN	DATE OF BIRTH	GRADE

Date child(ren) began/will begin to reside in your home: _____

Are you supporting this child gratis (without personal compensation or gain)?

Yes No

Will you assume all personal obligations relating to school requirements for this child(ren) that may include providing for required immunizations, fees/fines, citations/fines for truancy, attending parent-teacher conferences, or attending meetings/hearings concerning discipline?

Yes No

Do you intend to keep and support the child(ren) continuously and not merely through the school term?

Yes No

Through my notarized signature, I/we understand that the school district, pursuant to guidelines issued by the Department of Education and their own written policy, may require other reasonable information to be submitted to confirm this sworn statement.

Resident(s) Signature

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Sworn and Subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public

In accordance with Wilson Area School District Board Policy #5118.1 – Eligibility of Nonresident Students, I/we have provided two current items from group 1 and one item from group 2 listed below:

****Copies of items provided to be attached****

Group 1:

- ___ Utility Bill
- ___ PA Department of Transportation identification or driver's license
- ___ PA Department of Transportation vehicle registration
- ___ Copy of state/federal program enrollment
- ___ Copy of paycheck stub with name and address of employee and employer
- ___ Residency affidavit

Group 2: (Unless waived by Superintendent)

- ___ Copy of completed IRS form transferring tax exemption of child to resident
- ___ Copy of federal or state tax form which lists child as a dependent of resident
- ___ Copy of completed county form transferring child support payments to resident
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