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PERSONS AGE 21 AND OVER The District shall not admit into its public schools any person age 21 or over unless otherwise required by law.

REGISTRATION FORMS

Appropriate registration forms shall be completed annually and signed by the student's parent, legal guardian, or other person having lawful control. Students who have reached age 18 shall be permitted to complete and sign these forms themselves.

MINOR LIVING APART

PERSON STANDING IN PARENTAL RELATION A minor student residing in the District but whose parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control under a court order does not reside in the District shall present a Power of Attorney assigning responsibility for the student in all school-related matters to an adult resident of the District.

MISCONDUCT

Any such student who has engaged in misconduct that results in any of the consequences found in Education Code 25.001(d) shall not be permitted to attend a District school.

EXCEPTIONS

Based on the individual student's circumstance, the Superintendent shall have authority to grant exceptions to the Power of Attorney requirement and to the exclusion for misconduct.

If the parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control of the child under court order resides in the adjacent counties of Andrews, Crane, Midland, Upton, Ward, or Winkler, a tuition fee will be charged in accordance with TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER SCHOOL DISTRICT at FDA(LOCAL).

RESIDENCY REVIEW

The Superintendent shall determine whether a minor student residing in the District separate and apart from a parent, guardian, or other person having lawful control is present in the District for the primary purpose of participating in extracurricular activities.

NONRESIDENT STUDENT IN GRANDPARENT'S AFTER-SCHOOL CARE The parent and grandparent of a nonresident student requesting admission under Education Code 25.001(b)(9) shall provide to the Superintendent the required information on the grandparent's residency and complete a form provided by the District describing the extent of after-school care to be provided by the grandparent.

The Superintendent shall have authority to approve such admissions requests in accordance with criteria approved by the Board.

HOMESCHOOL

Parents who choose to homeschool their child/children must submit a written statement of assurance to the District. After a conference with school personnel regarding the parents' decision to homeschool, they must sign the assurance and the student will be withdrawn. Parents who homeschool their child/children are not subject to the compulsory attendance law under these conditions.

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PLACEMENT ACCREDITED SCHOOLS

Students entering a District school from accredited public, private, or parochial schools after grade 1 shall provide evidence of prior schooling outside the District. They shall be placed initially at the grade level reached elsewhere, pending observation by the classroom teacher, guidance personnel, and the principal. On the basis of these observations and results of tests that may be administered by appropriate District personnel, the principal shall determine the final grade placement.

For the purposes of this policy, "accredited" shall be defined as accreditation by TEA, an equivalent agency from another state, or an accrediting association recognized by the Commissioner of Education.

NONACCREDITED SCHOOLS

Students entering a District school from nonaccredited public, private, or parochial schools, including homeschools, shall be placed initially at the discretion of the principal, pending observation by classroom teachers, guidance personnel, and the principal. Criteria for placement may include:

- 1. Scores on achievement tests, which may be administered by appropriate District personnel.
- 2. Recommendation of the sending school.
- 3. Prior academic record.
- 4. Chronological age and social and emotional development of the student.
- 5. Other criteria deemed appropriate by the principal.

TRANSFER CREDIT

The District shall validate high school credit for courses of transfer students from nonaccredited public, private, or parochial schools by testing or by other evidence that the courses meet State Board requirements and standards.

WITHDRAWAL

Minor students may withdraw from school by presenting a request signed by the student's parent or guardian and stating the reason for the withdrawal. Students 18 or older may request withdrawal without a parent's or guardian's signature.

[For District withdrawal of students no longer in attendance, see FEA(LOCAL)]

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