

District: Tupelo Public School District
Section: J - Students
Policy Code: JBCB - Non-Resident Students

ADMISSION OF NONRESIDENT STUDENTS

1. The Tupelo Public School District exists to provide a free public education for the residents of the District. The Board recognizes that from time to time nonresident students may request to be enrolled in the schools of the District. Admission of nonresident students is at the sole discretion of the Board. Decisions regarding admission of ~~non-resident~~ nonresident students will be made so that access to facilities, programs, staff and other district resources by resident students will not be limited or otherwise adversely impacted. The Board recognizes the need to balance enrollment numbers between schools as determined by student capacity, teacher unit, and/or building size.
2. The Board authorizes the administration to enroll nonresident students (1) according to the following administrative procedures, (2) in compliance with state law, and (3) only to the extent that such admission does not adversely affect the education of resident students.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

The following administrative guidelines shall be followed in the enrollment of nonresident students.

1. Legal wards of any public welfare department residing in foster homes within the District ~~as well as foreign exchange students residing in homes within the District~~ will be considered resident students.
2. Resident students whose parents move out of the District after the beginning of a semester will be considered a nonresident student and will be required to meet the same conditions as all other nonresident students.
3. A nonresident student shall have a release from the Board of the District of residence prior to applying for admission to this District as a nonresident student. The application for admission of a nonresident student must be approved by the Board prior to formal admission to a school in the District. However, in emergency situations, a nonresident student may be granted temporary admission by the superintendent or designee subject to final approval by the Board.
4. Upon approval by the Board to be admitted as a nonresident student, it will be necessary that the nonresident fulfill all requirements for admission, as would be the case for a resident student.
5. Nonresident dependent children of licensed or instructional employees of the District shall, upon the written petition of the parent or guardian, be granted transfers into the District in accordance with the state law. Reference Policy JBCC-E3.
6. Nonresident dependent children of non-instructional classified employees may be granted transfers into the District at the discretion of the Board. Reference Policy JBCC-E1 AND JBCC-E2.
7. Students who are participating in an *approved* foreign exchange program will be considered nonresident students, and may be admitted to Tupelo High School upon petition by their host family. Tupelo High School may enroll no more than five foreign exchange students per academic year.
8. Transportation will not be provided for nonresident students.
9. With the exception of those students referred to in item 5 above:
 - a. A nonresident student applying for admission to the District will be subject to a background check regarding previous educational achievement and any related school records.
 - b. The Board reserves the right to deny or rescind a student transfer request at any time regarding the admission or continued education of a nonresident student.
 - c. Decisions to deny admission or continued enrollment of a nonresident student will be final and will not be subject to further appeal to the Board.
10. Nonresident students from outside the State of Mississippi may not be admitted to the District, except pursuant to items 5, 6 and 7 above.

*The exception is when a student from an adjacent district lives closer to a school in TPSD than his home district school, which is more than 30 miles away from his home. In this case, transfer shall be granted.

Adopted Date: 5/1/2013
Approved/Revised Date: