



## Board of Director's Policy Students 500 Series

**Policy # 500.42**

### **Residence**

#### **Resident Students**

Only students who are residents of Illinois School District 50 and Illinois School District 79 may attend Prairie Crossing Charter School without payment of tuition charge, except as provided below or in State law. A student's residence is the same as the person who has legal custody of the student.

A person asserting legal custody over a student, who is not the child's natural or adoptive parent, shall complete a signed statement, stating: (a) that he or she has assumed and exercises legal responsibility for the child, (b) the reason the child lives with him or her, other than to receive an education in the District, and (c) that he or she exercises full control over the child regarding daily educational and medical decisions in case of emergency. If the School knows the current address of the child's natural or adoptive parent, the School shall request in writing that the person complete a signed statement or Power of Attorney stating: (a) the role and responsibility of the person with whom their child is living, and (b) that the person with whom the child is living has full control over the child regarding daily educational and medical decisions in case of emergency.

A student whose family moves out of District 50 or District 79 during the school year will be permitted to attend school for the remainder of the year without payment of tuition.

When a student's change of residence is due to the military service obligation of the student's legal custodian, the student's residence is deemed to be unchanged for the duration of the custodian's military service obligation if the student's custodian made a written request.

If, at the time of enrollment, a dependent child of military personnel is housed in temporary housing located outside of District 50 or District 79, but will be living within District 50 or District 79 within 60 days after the time of initial enrollment, the child is allowed to enroll, subject to the requirements of State law, and must not be charged tuition.

#### **Admission of Non-Resident Students Pursuant to an Agreement or Order**

Students who are not residents of District 50 or District 79 may attend Prairie Crossing Charter School, per the School's Admissions policy, but must pay a tuition charge equal to the average Per Child Tuition Charge (PCTC) for resident students attending the School.

#### **Homeless Children**

Any homeless child shall be immediately admitted, even if the child or child's parent/guardian is unable to produce records normally required to establish residency. Board of Education policy 6:140, Education of Homeless Children, and its implementing administrative procedure, govern the enrollment of homeless children.

#### **Challenging a Student's Residence Status**

If the Executive Director or designee determines that a student who is not a resident of District 50 or District 79 is attending at the School without paying tuition, he or she on behalf of the Board shall notify the person who enrolled the student of the tuition amount that is due and immediately begin proceedings to determine whether future attendance is allowed, per the School's Admissions policy. The notice shall be given by certified mail, return receipt requested. The person who enrolled the student may challenge this determination and request a hearing as provided by The School Code, 105 ILCS 5/10-20.12b.

**LEGAL REF.:**

McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. § 11431 et seq.

105 ILCS 5/10-20.12a, 5/10-20.12b, and 5/10-22.5.

105 ILCS 45/ and 70/.

23 Ill.Admin.Code §1.240.

Israel S. by Owens v. Board of Educ. of Oak Park and River Forest High School Dist. 200, 601 N.E.2d 1264 (Ill.App.1, 1992).

Joel R. v. Board of Education of Manheim School District 83, 686 N.E.2d 650 (Ill.App.1, 1997).

Kraut v. Rachford, 366 N.E.2d 497 (Ill.App.1, 1977).

**Adoption Dates:**

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