

POLICY

SOMERSET COUNTY
BOARD OF EDUCATION

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1. PURPOSE

To establish guidelines and procedures for receiving students from other counties after September 30th into the public schools of Somerset County.

2. GUIDELINES

A. Eligibility Requirements

- (1) All children who are of legal school attendance age and whose legal residence is in the County shall be able to attend the schools of this County as prescribed by the student Assignment Policy and Attendance Eligibility Somerset County and the requirements delineated in this policy.
- (2) A student desiring to transfer to Somerset County Public Schools after September 30th while maintaining residence in another county shall be governed by the following procedures:
 - (a) A parent must make application in writing to the Superintendent of Schools.
 - (b) After investigation of the circumstances and consultation with appropriate personnel, a recommendation shall be made regarding the acceptance of that student.
 - (c) A student who has been expelled for the year in the county from which he/she wishes to transfer will not be accepted in Somerset County Public Schools.
 - (d) If the recommendation is to accept the student, the parent/guardian is subject to tuition which shall be based upon the County's actual share of the average cost per student. Tuition must be paid in advance, upon a semester basis.
 - (e) The Superintendent of schools shall then assign the student to a school. However, public transportation will not be provided and must be assumed by the parent/guardian.

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- (f) Records, grades and attendance from the previous school attended will become an integral and viable part of the student's records at the school assigned. For example, an "E" in a subject/course in a marking period(s) at the former school will be included on the Somerset County report card. If a student had 10 days absence, he/she will have 10 days absence at the Somerset school.
 - (g) The student, if accepted, shall become a bona-fide member of the school system and shall be governed by all policies, rules and regulations established by Somerset County as well as the school he/she is in attendance.
- (3) A student who establishes legal residence in Somerset County after September 30th and who has been expelled for the year in the county from which he/she transferred will not be accepted in Somerset County Public Schools until the succeeding school year.
- (4) A student, 16 years of age or older, who establishes legal residence with a parent/guardian in Somerset County following the second marking period and who has not been enrolled in a public or private school since the beginning of the school year will need to have a transcript evaluation for appropriate placement in an educational program, in Somerset County unless meeting one or more of the following conditions:
- (a) Is identified as a special education student who needs specialized educational offerings or services.
 - (b) Has a physical or emotional condition resulting in a medical recommendation for enrollment.
 - (c) Has evidence of conditions that produced extreme hardships on the family which necessitated not enrolling the child in a school prior to establishing residence in Somerset County.
 - (d) Is placed in school by order of a court.
 - (e) As determined by the Superintendent and/or his/her designee
- B. Right of Appeal**
Decisions based on the above policy governing student transfers from other counties after September 30th may be appealed in writing to the Board of Education.