

# Elizabethton City Board of Education

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1 Any student entering school for the first time must present:

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- 3 1. A birth certificate or officially acceptable evidence of date of birth at the time of registration;<sup>1</sup>
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- 5 2. Evidence of a current medical examination.<sup>2</sup> There shall be a complete medical examination
- 6 of every student entering school for the first time. This applies to kindergarten, first grade and
- 7 other students for whom there is no health record; and
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- 9 3. Evidence of state-required immunization.<sup>3</sup>
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11 The name used on the records of a student entering school must be the same as that shown on the birth

12 certificate unless evidence is presented that such name has been legally changed through a court as pre-

13 scribed by law. If the parent does not have or cannot obtain a birth certificate, then the name used on

14 the records of such student will be the same as that shown on documents which are acceptable to the

15 school principal as proof of date of birth.

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## 17 CUSTODY

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19 In accordance with state law, no child shall be registered in a school by anyone other than a parent/legal

20 guardian. Documentation is required where custody is in question. Adjudicated (judge signed) divorce

21 decrees and court orders are acceptable as proof of custody. The only acceptable document (other than

22 an adjudicated document) is the power of attorney for the care of a minor child. A parent or parents of

23 a minor child may delegate to any adult person residing in this state temporary care-giving authority

24 regarding the minor child when hardship prevents the parent or parents from caring for the child. This

25 authority may be delegated without the approval of a court by executing in writing a power of attorney

26 for care of a minor child on a form provided by the department of children's services.<sup>4</sup>

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28 Acceptable hardships:

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- 30 A. the serious illness or incarceration of a parent or legal guardian;
- 31 B. the physical or mental condition of the parent or legal guardian or the child is such that care and
- 32 supervision of the child cannot be provided;
- 33 C. the loss or uninhabitability of the child's home as a result of a natural disaster
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35 A local education agency (LEA) is not required to enroll a student with a power of attorney stating a

36 hardship other than one (I) of the three (3) specifically stated in subdivisions (a)(I)(A)-(C).<sup>5</sup>

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38 The following is the only hardship (not listed above) that is accepted by the district:

- 39 • other (please describe) ***Military Deployment***
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2 A student may transfer into the school system at any time during the year if his/her parent(s) or legal  
3 guardian moves his/her residence into the school system. (High school students moving from a block  
4 schedule may experience a loss in credit(s).)

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6 Students shall not be enrolled prior to receipt of permanent records, proof of residence, and other required  
7 documentation (listed above).

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9 Parents, guardians, or legal custodians of students who enter school who have been judged delinquent  
10 for an offense involving murder, rape, robbery, kidnapping, aggravated assault or reckless endangerment  
11 shall notify the principal by providing the abstract of record required by law or other similar written  
12 information. This information shall be shared only with school employees who have responsibility for  
13 classroom instruction of the student. Such information is otherwise confidential and shall not be released to  
14 others except as required by law. The written notification shall not become a part of the student's record.<sup>6</sup>

### 15 16 **DEPENDENTS OF TEACHERS<sup>7</sup>**

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18 If a parent of a student teaches at a school located outside the school system of their residence, the  
19 student may attend that school and must adhere to that school system's tuition requirements.

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21 A parent or guardian teaching in the school system of the parent's or guardian's residence shall be al-  
22 lowed to enroll the parent's or guardian's child at the school where the parent or guardian teaches. This  
23 section does not apply to children of teachers teaching at magnet schools. Nothing in this section shall  
24 be construed to limit the board's authority in student assignment.

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26 If a teacher teaches at a grade's or grades' specific school and a child of that teacher is not within the  
27 age group, that teacher's child shall be eligible to attend a school of appropriate grade within the LEA  
28 by which the parent is employed. This section does not apply to children of teachers teaching at magnet  
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43 Legal References:

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2. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.08(2)(a); TCA 49-6-5004(a)
3. TCA 49-6-5001(c)
4. TCA 34-6-302(a)(1)
5. TCA 34-6-302(a)(2)
6. TCA 49-6-3051
7. TCA 49-6-3113