

Decatur County Board of Education

Monitoring: Review: Annually, in March	Descriptor Term: Attendance of Non-Resident Students	Descriptor Code: 6.204	Issued Date: 07/13/17
		Rescinds: 6.204	Issued: 10/08/98

1 Students residing outside the boundaries of the school system may attend schools within the school system under
2 the following conditions:

- 3 1. They must be approved by the director of schools of schools.¹
- 4 2. They must pay a tuition fee established annually by the board. Annual tuition may not exceed per student,
5 per annum, an amount equal to the amount of local funds actually used for school purposes by the school
6 system per student during the preceding school year minus any funds received from the student's resident
7 system. Tuition for out-of-state non-resident students shall be charged at the same rate as the average
8 cost per student (state and local funds) in the system attended.²
- 9 3. Non-resident students must make application at least two weeks prior to the first day of school.³
- 10 4. Requests from students from adjoining states to attend school shall be considered on a case-by- case
11 basis.⁴
- 12 5. Students who become residents of the school system shall be refunded any unused portion of the tuition
13 on a pro-rata basis.
- 14 6. When payment is not made on all or any part of the required tuition for a previous year, the student(s)
15 shall be excluded from future attendance until all prior and current tuition is paid.
- 16 7. If a teacher of this school system has a residence outside the school system, his/her children may be
17 allowed to attend if the appropriate tuition requirements are met, provided that there is available room
18 and teaching capacity and other determinations made by the board according to applicable law.⁵

Legal References

1. TCA 49-6-3104;
TRR/MS 0520-01-03-.03(11)(f)—(i)
2. TCA 49-6-3003; TCA 49-6-403(f)
3. TCA 49-6-3105
4. TCA 49-6-3108
5. TCA 49-6-3113; TCA 49-6-3103