
RELEASE OF RESIDENT STUDENTS

A student who resides within the boundaries of the District shall be released to (1) attend another school district or, (2) enroll for ancillary services, if any, in another district as specified in the parental declaration of intent to provide home-based instruction, provided the other district agrees to accept the student, if:

- 1) a financial, educational, safety or health condition affecting the student would be reasonably improved as a result of the transfer;
- 2) attendance at the school in the nonresident district is more accessible to the parent's place of work or to the location of child care;
- 3) there is some other special hardship or detrimental condition affecting the student or the student's immediate family which would be alleviated as a result of the transfer. Special hardship or detrimental condition, includes a student who becomes a resident of the District in mid-year. That student may apply for a release to complete the current school year only in his or her former district of residence, if transferring mid-year would create a special hardship or detrimental condition.
- 4) the student is a child of a full-time certificated or classified school district employee.

In all cases in which a resident student is released, the student or the student's parent(s) shall be solely responsible for transportation. A parent or guardian shall request the release of his/her student by completing the appropriate District application, including the basis for the request and the signature of the Superintendent, or designee, of the resident school district. The Superintendent or designee shall grant or deny the request for release according to the above-stated criteria and promptly notify the parent in writing of his/her decision.

If the request is granted, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the nonresident district and make necessary arrangements for the transfer of student records. If the request is denied, the Superintendent or designee shall notify the parent of the right to petition the Superintendent upon five school business days' prior notice, for review of the decision. Following the review, a final decision shall be promptly communicated to the parent in writing.

If the review results in further denial, the written decision shall inform the parent or guardian of the right to appeal such decision to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Resident parents shall be informed of inter-district enrollment options annually. The District shall make available for public inspection the Superintendent of Public Instruction's annual information booklet on enrollment options in the state at each school building, the District office and local public libraries.



<i>Legal References</i>	<i>RCW 28A.225.220</i>	<i>Adults, Children from Other Districts, Agreements for Attending School—Tuition</i>
	<i>RCW 28A.225.230</i>	<i>Appeal from Certain Decisions to Deny Student's Request to Attend Non-resident District—Procedure</i>
	<i>RCW 28A.225.290</i>	<i>Enrollment Options Information Booklet</i>
	<i>RCW 28A.225.300</i>	<i>Enrolling Children of Certificated and Classified School Employees</i>
<i>Management Resources</i>	<i>Policy News, February 2001</i>	<i>Federal Budget Implicates Policy</i>
	<i>Policy News, June 2003</i>	<i>Enrolling Children of School District Employees</i>



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