

ADMISSION OF NON-RESIDENT TUITION STUDENTS

This policy applies to individual non-resident whose tuition is paid by other school units that do not maintain a contract for services with M.S.A.D. #29 or whose tuition is paid by non-resident parents.

1. M.S.A.D. #29 shall accept individual non-resident tuition students by written request only. Requests must be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools who will be responsible for making enrollment decisions.
2. Admission of non-resident tuition students shall be based on the availability of space within an existing program or class that the student would be attending. The availability of space in a particular program or class shall be determined by the Superintendent or his/her designee and may include consideration of the overall number of students in that program or class, any applicable state or local mandates for program or class size, the particular demands on teacher time presented by students currently scheduled for that program or class, and a reasonable estimate of the number of new students from within the District who may join that program or class during the school year in question.
3. All requirements for entry into M.S.A.D. #29 programs that apply to resident students (such as age, health, examinations and immunization requirements) also apply to tuition students.
4. Tuition students are expected to meet the same academic, extracurricular and behavioral standards and are subject to the same disciplinary procedures as resident students.
5. The Superintendent may revoke the admission of a non-resident tuition student if the Superintendent determines that the student cannot obtain an appropriate education in an existing program. In the case of students with disabilities, the Superintendent's decision shall be made in consultation with the student's IEP team and in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
6. Admission of a tuition student shall be valid through grade 12.
7. M.S.A.D. #29 will charge an annual tuition fee. The tuition rate will be set by the Board and reviewed annually. The Board may offer a discounted rate for students

who are the children of non-resident M.S.A.D. #29 employees.

Should a sending school unit fail to pay tuition as due, the Superintendent shall notify the Commissioner of the Department of Education for payment, as provided by 20-A M.R.S.A. § 581(2). Failure by a parent to pay tuition as due shall be grounds for revoking the admission of the non-resident tuition student.

8. M.S.A.D. #29 will not furnish transportation for non-resident students except where the student can otherwise use normal bus runs offered by the school.
9. The Board will be provided an annual accounting of all non-resident tuition students.

Cross Reference: JFAB – Admission of Non-Resident Students
JFAB-E – Non-Resident Students – Tuition Fees

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