

RESIDENT STUDENTS

Students who are residents of the school district community will attend the school district without paying tuition.

The residence of a student means the place, abode, or dwelling of the student. Generally, the legal dwelling of minors is the same as their parents. However, a child may establish a dwelling with someone other than the parents and attend public school in that school district without paying tuition if the primary purpose for residing in the school district is not for obtaining a free public education. Further, emancipated minors or individuals who have reached the age of majority and who are still eligible to attend an Iowa secondary school may declare their residence independent of the residence of the parents.

Each case involving the bona fide residence of a student will be decided upon its individual merits by the superintendent.

Legal Reference:        Lakota Cons. Ind. School v. Buffalo Center-Rake Comm. School Dist., 334 N.W. 2d 704 (Iowa 1983).  
                              Mt. Hope School District v. Hendrickson, 197 N.W. 47 (Iowa 1924).  
                              Oshel v. Creston Community School District, DPI Admin. Doc. 570 (1981).  
                              33 D.P.I. Dec. Rul. 80 (1984).  
                              Iowa Code §§282.2, .6, .7, 285.4, 442.4  
                              1930 Op. Att’y Gen. 147.  
                              1938 Op. Att’y Gen. 69.  
                              1946 Op. Att’y Gen. 197.  
                              1956 Op. Att’y Gen. 185.

Cross Reference:        501 Student Attendance

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