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## **NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS**

- I. The Board of Education affirms that its primary responsibility is to provide the best possible educational opportunities for the children who are legal district residents and who are of legal age to attend school. The Board of Education will consider acceptance of non-resident students where circumstances permit, as noted in this policy.
- II. A non-resident student shall be defined as a student whose parents or legal guardian(s) reside outside the boundaries of the Madison Central School District.
- III. It shall be the policy of the Madison Central School District to accept non-resident students for attendance in the school district subject to the following guidelines:
  - A. All non-resident student(s) must complete an application between January 1<sup>st</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup> for placement annually. Applications must be filed with the School Principal no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> and will be on a first come, first served basis. The parents/guardians must present proof of a student's good academic and disciplinary standing before admission to Madison Central School.
  - B. All non-resident student applications will be subject to approval by the Superintendent of Schools, School Principal, and the Board of Education.
  - C. Non-resident students will be accepted on the following conditions:
    - 1. A proper educational program exists at Madison Central School.
    - 2. No additional staffing is needed.
    - 3. Space is available. The acceptable number of students per class will not be exceeded as noted below.

GRADE	<u>RANGE</u>
K-3	15-19
4-6	16-20
7-12	17-21

D. The tuition will be established annually by the Board of Education. The tuition fee provides for the basic educational program. It will not exceed the rate prescribed by the Commissioner of Education, according to the Seneca Falls Formula.

Tuition rates will be payable in full prior to the start of each semester. If payment is not received by the beginning of each semester, the student(s) will not be allowed to attend that semester.

E. Transportation will be the parent/guardian responsibility.

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- F. A non-resident student's continued attendance will be dependent on a student maintaining a passing average in all subjects in compliance with the District's Code of Conduct and Student Attendance Policy. A student who is denied continued attendance in the District for disciplinary reasons is entitled to due process procedures for a student disciplinary hearing in accordance with the provision of the Education Law Section 3214. A student who is denied continued attendance for academic reasons shall be entitled to an informal conference with the Superintendent of Schools before any decision is made to terminate a student's attendance during or at the end of the school year for this reason.
- IV. In the case whereby a non-resident parent, guardian, or grandparent of a non-resident student pays property taxes in the Madison Central School District for the current school tax year, the amount of tax shall be deducted from the assessed tuition.
- V. Non-resident students whose behavior is judged by the Superintendent or his/her designee to be unmanageable, disruptive or in violation of the Code of Conduct may be denied continued attendance in the school district, according to the due process procedures in the Education Law Section 3214.
- VI. Children of parents or guardians who have moved out of the school district during the school year may be permitted to complete the semester. Seniors may request to be allowed to complete the school year. The decision will be based on academic, behavior and attendance records of the senior.
- VII. Students from other nations who are living with district residents may be enrolled at the discretion of the Superintendent and the Board of Education.
- VIII. Children placed in foster homes, free family homes, and similar circumstances will be admitted in accordance with the law. The appropriate outside agency or district will be billed for tuition where applicable.
- IX. School districts may also contract with other school districts for the instruction of non-resident pupils. If class size enrollment allows, a child residing outside the Madison Central School District may be permitted to attend a unique class, course, or program at Madison Central School District provided that the course or class is not available in his/her own school district.
- X. All approval of non-resident students shall be reviewed annually and permission to attend as a non-resident student may be revoked at the discretion of the District for academic or disciplinary reasons in accordance with the procedures set forth in this policy. While attempts will be made to continue the attendance of approved non-resident students from one year to the next, factors such as student-teacher ratio and staffing needs may force the District to withdraw permission to attend, and to limit its acceptance of any non-resident students in any given year. Students whose attendance cannot be continued for these

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reasons will be entitled to an informal conference with the Superintendent prior to any final decision being made.

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