

Cornwall Board of Education Out-of-District Student Policy

The Board of Education may approve requests for school attendance in the district for children living outside the district on a student-by-student basis.

Non-resident students may be accepted as tuition students in the schools under all the following conditions:

1. Any student who desires to attend Cornwall Consolidated School, but does not live in Cornwall, will be charged the tuition rate as determined by the Cornwall Board of Education. For applicants living outside Region One, in the event that there are substantial costs or fees for educating a child beyond the tuition rate, those costs or fees shall be the responsibility of the parent or guardian, as described in Paragraph 6 below.

2. All applicants are acceptable on a "space available" status, with no increase needed in staff.

3. Out-of-district students must comply with all school rules and participate appropriately in the educational program. Out-of-district students who do not conform to these expectations may be disenrolled after a hearing before the principal.

4. Parents or guardians of out-of-district students shall be responsible to provide their own transportation to and from school.

5. The Board will consider the presence of a sibling in the school as a factor in acceptance.

6. This policy does not obligate the Board to provide services that create unique programs that do not currently exist for students. If an out-of-district student is enrolled or continues at Cornwall Consolidated School pursuant to a tuition agreement, and such child is eligible for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act ("IDEA"), Cornwall Consolidated School shall not act as the local education agency for such child, and the tuition student's district of residence remains responsible for the provision of a free, appropriate education and meeting all associated procedural requirements. In instances where special or additional services are provided for an out-of-district student, Cornwall Consolidated School shall charge a supplemental tuition or fee based upon the actual costs associated with providing the special or additional services.

7. Admission is subject to administrative review of the educational records.

8. Students will not be accepted if an expulsion process is pending against them.

9. Admission is probationary, subject to periodic review. Admission of out-of-district students must be re-approved annually.

10. Enrollment of out-of-district students under this policy shall be conditioned upon the execution of a written agreement concerning the terms and conditions of enrollment as outlined herein, signed by the parent or guardian.

11. The tuition rate will be set annually by the Board of Education. Tuition is to be paid in two equal installments, on or before August 15th and on or before January 15th. Failure to pay this charge shall result in the student not being allowed to attend. Payments are to be made by check payable to the Town of Cornwall and mailed to "Cornwall Finance Director, PO Box 97, Cornwall, CT 06753." If tuition and other costs or fees are not paid in August, the student will not be allowed to attend at the start of the school year. If tuition and other costs or fees are not paid in January, the student will not be allowed to attend school beyond January 31. Students who withdraw or transfer from Cornwall Consolidated School will not be refunded tuition or other costs or fees.

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