



POLICY STATEMENT

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It is the philosophy of the Board, under the mandate of the Education Act, to establish, and set guidelines, regulations, and procedures for the registration and admission of students to our schools in a fair and equitable manner. Administrative regulations will be maintained and will reflect the philosophy of this policy.

1. Non-Resident Students

For the purpose of this policy, non-residents are visa students, students from another country, and others for whom the Board charges a fee.

It is the policy of the Board to admit to its schools, subject to space availability, non resident students, with appropriate fees (see Student Tuition Fees Section), supporting documentation where applicable (see Legal Guardianship Section) under the guidelines of any education agreements, as permissible under the Education Act

2. First Nation Students – Living on a First Nation Territory

First Nation students living on a First Nation Territory are welcomed into the Board's schools through tuition agreements. Fee payments to the Board for these students are determined through the tuition agreements established collaboratively between the Board and the First Nation. It is the policy of the Board to admit to its schools all resident students of tuition fees, as permissible under the Education Act, providing all supporting documentation (see Legal Guardianship) has been received, with the exception of students residing on land exempt from taxation. Students residing on land exempt from taxation will be admitted to the appropriate school providing tuition fees as outlined in the Regulation Made Under The Education Act – Calculation of Fees For Pupils have been received by the Board.

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Students living in the Board's jurisdiction, whose parent(s)/guardian(s) are waiting for landed immigrant status and/or residency, will be admitted to school without a charge of fees in accordance with direction from the Ministry of Education.

4. Permanent Resident Students

Students, living with their family in Ontario, who have been granted permanent resident status by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada, shall be admitted to school without payment of fees.

5. Student Tuition Fees

The Regulations under the Education Act provide for a calculation of tuition fees designed to cover the cost of education on a per pupil basis. In accordance with the Act, the Board will charge tuition fees to cover education costs for resident students.

It is the policy of the Board that administration establish the student tuition fees and prepare a report annually for presentation to Administrative Council for the upcoming school year.

Requests to waive fees should be submitted in writing to the appropriate superintendent of student achievement for consideration and determination by Administrative Council.

6. Legal Guardianship

Section 1 of the Education Act defines a guardian as a person who has lawful custody of a child, other than the parent of a child.

It is the policy of the Board that legal guardianship must be provided at time of registration by any person who is the parent of a student of compulsory school age.