

## AP 306 – OUT-OF-PROVINCE STUDENT REGISTRATION

### Background

The School District welcomes students from other Provinces within Canada where space is available. The British Columbia *School Act* states that subject to section 74.1, a person may enrol in an educational program provided by a board of a school district and attend any school in British Columbia if (a) the person is of school age, (b) the person is a resident in British Columbia, and (c) the board providing the educational program determines that space and facilities are available for the person at the school where the educational program is made available. Students meeting these criteria are eligible for funding from the Province of British Columbia. As out-of-province students do not meet the criteria of ordinarily resident in British Columbia fees must be charged to cover the cost of delivering education services.

### Procedures

Fees for out-of-province tuition:

Per *Policy 2 - Board Operations* the Board will set annually fees for out-of-province tuition.

#### 1. Tuition Fees

Out-of-province students are not “ordinarily resident” in the District. The *School Act*, section 82 requires that the Board provide educational programs free of charge only to those students resident in its District. For the purposes of Section 82 a student is resident in the District:

- If the student is ordinarily a resident in the District;
- The parent of the student is also ordinarily resident in British Columbia.

Tuition fees will therefore be charged to students who are not “ordinarily resident.”

Fees must be paid before the student’s program commences.

#### 2. Academies

The School District operates, or partners with, independent academies that may attract students from out of province.

Out-of-province tuition fees will be communicated to the academies by June 30th of each school year for distribution to parents in advance of the next school year.

The academy will provide to the school district a list of all students participating from out of province by September 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### 3. Local Sports Teams

Local sports teams (e.g., hockey) may attract players to their rosters from out of province.

Out-of-province tuition fees will be communicated to local sports teams by June 30th of each school year for distribution to parents in advance of the next school year.

The sports team will provide the school district a list of all students participating from out of province by September 1st.

4. Students may also attend the School District for reasons other than academies and sports teams.
5. Approval of Applications

All out-of-province students will register at the school they are requesting to attend.

Schools will ensure that out-of-province students are directed on arrival to the International Student Program office for a compliance review and appropriate invoicing.

Reference: Sections 20, 22, 23, 65, 82, 85 School Act

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