



Allegheny Valley School District
300 Pearl Avenue
Cheswick, PA 15024

ELIGIBILITY OF NONRESIDENT STUDENTS (Board Policy 202, Adopted July 14, 2008)

STUDENTS LIVING WITH A RESIDENT ADULT OTHER THAN A PARENT (PA Dept. of Education 24 P.S. § 13-1302)

PA School Code §11.19

A non-resident child is entitled to attend the district's public schools if that child is fully maintained and supported in the home of a district resident as if the child were the resident's own child and if the resident receives no personal compensation for maintaining the student in the district. Before accepting the child as a student, the board of school directors of the district shall require the resident to file with the secretary of the board of school directors either appropriate legal documentation to show dependency or guardianship or a sworn statement that the child is a resident of the district, the child is supported fully without personal compensation or gain, and that the resident will assume all personal obligations for the child relative to school requirements and intends to so keep and fully support the child continuously and not merely through the school term. The resident's receipt of public payments, such as Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), maintenance on public or private health insurance, pre-adoptive support or other payments for or on account of the child, may not be deemed to be personal compensation or gain under this section. The school board may require other reasonable information to be submitted by the resident to substantiate the sworn statement in accordance with guidelines established by the Department, as authorized by section 1302(2) of the Public School Code of 1949 (24 P.S. § 13-1302(2)).

The enrollment requirements outlined in § 11.11 (relating to entitlement of resident children to attend public schools) also apply to a nonresident child living with a district resident.

The Allegheny Valley School District, under the **Guidelines For Reasonable Information to Substantiate Sworn Statement by Resident Under 24 P.S. §13-1302**, has adopted **Board Policy #202** requiring the following additional information before the district is required to accept the child as a student. **In addition, the Board may require a resident to submit additional, reasonable information to substantiate a sworn statement, in accordance with guidelines issued by the Department of Education such as appropriate legal documentation to show dependency or guardianship, which may include a custody order.**

1. Proof of residency within the Allegheny Valley School District
 - Current Utility Bill, or
 - Deed or Lease, or
 - Department of Transportation identification or drivers license, or
 - Pennsylvania Department of Transportation vehicle registration, or
 - Property tax bill, or
 - Copy of State/Federal program enrollment, (examples include, but not limited to, TANF or CHIP), or
 - Current credit card bill
2. Proof that resident is supporting the child gratis
 - Copy of completed county form or court order transferring child support payments to resident, if applicable, or
 - Copy of completed State form notifying Department of Welfare of child's new residence, if applicable,
 - Copy of lease/rental agreement identifying the child as a tenant, if applicable, or
 - Sworn statement by the resident

A resident's receipt of payments, such as Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Transitional Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), pre-adoptive support, child support, maintenance on public or private health insurance, support from the military or military personnel or other payments for or on account of the child shall not be deemed to be personal compensation or gain.

A Sworn Statement by resident shall be satisfactory evidence of:

1. Resident will assume all personal obligations for the child relative to school requirements.
2. Resident intends to so keep and support the child continuously and not merely through the school term.



**SWORN STATEMENT BY RESIDENT UNDER §13-1302
TO BE COMPLETED BY RESIDENT ONLY**

Instructions: Please complete the following statement. If the potential student is living, or will be living, in a household with more than one resident adult who will assume responsibility for the student, all such adult residents must complete and sign this statement.

This is a legal document. You may ask to see a copy of 24 P.S. §13-1302 and/or School Board Policy #202 prior to signing this document, and consult with an attorney if you have any questions or do not understand any portion of this document.

1. Name of RESIDENT _____
2. Do you live in the Allegheny Valley School District and does the child live with you?
Yes _____ No _____
3. Child's Full Name _____ Birth Date _____ Grade _____
Name of Last School Attended _____ District _____
School Address _____

Date child began/will begin to reside in your home _____

4. Are you supporting this child gratis (without personal compensation or gain)?
Yes _____ No _____
5. Will you assume all personal obligations related to school requirements for this child that may include providing for required immunizations, uniforms, fees/fines, citations/fines for truancy, attending parent-teacher conferences, or attending meetings/hearings concerning discipline?
Yes _____ No _____
6. Do you intend to keep and support the child continuously and not merely through the school term?
Yes _____ No _____

Through my notarized signature, I/We understand that the Allegheny Valley School District, pursuant to guidelines issued by the Department of Education and their own written policy, may require other reasonable information to be submitted to confirm this sworn statement.

Signed by resident(s) **AND** notarized _____

Sworn and subscribed to before me by the above named this _____ day of the month of _____ in the year _____.

Notary Public _____ Commission Expiration _____

Per 24 P.S. §13-1302, a person who knowingly provides false information in the above statement for the purpose of enrolling a child in a school district for which the child is not eligible commits a summary offense and shall, upon conviction for such violation, be sentenced to pay a fine of no more than three hundred dollars (\$300) for the benefit of the school district in which the person resides or to perform up to two hundred forty (240) hours of community service, or both. In addition, the personal shall pay all court costs and shall be liable to the school district for an amount equal to the cost of tuition calculated in accordance with §2561 during the period of enrollment.



PARENT PERMISSION TO RELEASE INFORMATION
LEGAL DOCUMENTATION TO SHOW DEPENDENCY OR GUARDIANSHIP

This form must be renewed on an annual basis. Renewal of this form is required no later than July 1 of the current year.

Student Name _____ Date of Birth _____

PARENT Address _____
Street City State Zip Code

Guardian Name _____ Phone _____

GUARDIAN Address _____
Street City State Zip Code

Every school-age child is entitled to attend the public schools of the child’s district of residence, which is the school district where the child’s parent(s) reside. **Under the PA Department of Education 24 P.S. §1302(a)(1), the Allegheny Valley School District exercises the right to require appropriate and legal documentation to show dependency or guardianship.**

I/We grant permission for the Allegheny Valley School District permission to access the following records in order to further verify the residency of our child.

- Internal Revenue Service (IRS) tax records
- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania tax records
- Local municipality tax records

If any of this information is false or if circumstances change after the execution of this document so that any or all of this document ceases to be true, I/we will be personally liable to the Allegheny Valley School District for tuition for the child for any period of noncompliance.

PA Crimes Code 18 PA 4903 & 4904. A person who makes a false statement under oath or equivalent affirmation, or swears or affirms the truth of such a statement previously made, when he/she does not believe the statement to be true, is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree, if the statement is one which is required by law to be sworn or affirmed before a notary or other person authorized to administer oaths. Section 4902(c) through (f) of this title (relating to perjury) applies to this section. In addition to any other penalty that may be imposed, a person convicted under this section shall be sentenced to pay a fine of at least \$1,000. (18 PA §4904 (d))

I, _____, do hereby verify that the above statement is accurate and correct.
(Mother’s Name – PRINTED)

(Mother’s Signature) (Date)

I, _____, do hereby verify that the above statement is accurate and correct.
(Father’s Name – PRINTED)

(Father’s Signature) (Date)

Sworn and subscribed to before me by the above named this _____ day of the month of _____ in the year _____.

Notary Public _____ Commission Expiration _____