

RESIDENCY POLICY

It is the policy of the Milton Public Schools that all children of school age who actually reside in the Town of Milton are entitled to attend the Milton Public Schools. “Residence” is the primary place where a person dwells permanently, and is the place that is the center of his or her domestic, social, and civic life. Temporary residence in the Town of Milton, for the purpose of attending a Milton public school, shall not be considered residency. Persons who are found to temporarily reside in the Town of Milton for the purpose of attending the public schools in the Town of Milton or who do not reside in the town of Milton may be dismissed immediately from the Milton Public Schools and the parent(s), guardian(s) or others may be jointly and severally liable to the Milton Public Schools for the student’s tuition and other costs and fees. The Milton Public Schools may conduct an investigation into the residency of any student at anytime. Milton Public Schools reserves its right to request a variety of documentation to confirm residency.

Before any student is assigned to or attends any Milton public school, the student’s parent or legal guardian must provide documents demonstrating proof of permanent residency in the Town of Milton and the student’s complete school records from previous school districts. The student cannot be enrolled until residency is established and the complete school record is received. Students who are enrolled in the Milton Public Schools shall be required to re-establish residency prior to entering grades six (6) and nine (9), and during other times as determined by the Superintendent or his/her designee. Students who are enrolled in the Milton Public Schools but who attend an educational program outside of the town shall be required to re-establish residency on an annual basis. The Milton Public Schools will implement administrative procedures consistent with this policy.

No person shall be excluded from or discriminated against in admission to a Milton Public School, or in obtaining the advantages, privileges and courses of study of such public school on account of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, homelessness, disability, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, gender conformity, gender transitioning, transgender status, or gender variance. This proof of residency policy does not apply to homeless students and families. If possible, families who are homeless or staying in a shelter should bring a letter from the shelter staff stating that they are living there. All homeless families should contact the Milton Public Schools McKinney-Vento liaison who will assist with enrollment.

LEGAL REFERENCE: M.G.L. 76:5, M.G.L. 76:6, M.G.L. 71:37H

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