



STUDENTS: Enrollment and Attendance

Resident and Nonresident Student Eligibility

I. Policy Statement

- A. The Board of Education of Baltimore County (Board) is committed to an efficient, effective and consistent enrollment process for all eligible school-aged children.
- B. All qualified school-aged children, who have an established bona fide domicile in Baltimore County, are to be admitted free of charge to Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS).
- C. The Board understands that there are circumstances that exist where students who are not domiciled in Baltimore County need to attend schools in Baltimore County; therefore, issues of residency and the process for assessing and paying tuition must be clearly articulated. A nonresident school-aged child may not be enrolled in any Baltimore County Public School without the authorization from the Superintendent or his/her designee.

II. Implementation

- A. The Superintendent shall establish procedures for verifying bona fide domicile for enrollment purposes and assessing tuition under certain circumstances.
- B. The Board directs the Superintendent to implement this policy.

Legal References: *Annotated Code of Maryland*, Education Article §1-201, *Free Schools*  
*Annotated Code of Maryland*, Education Article §4-108, *Duties in General*  
*Annotated Code of Maryland*, Education Article §4-109, *Establishment of Public Schools*  
*Annotated Code of Maryland*, Education Article §4-121, *Schools near Boundary of Two Counties*

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*Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §4–122, Funding for Education of Children in Out-of-County Living Arrangements*  
*Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §4-122.1, Education of Child in Informal Kinship Care Relationship*  
*Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §4-205, Powers and Duties of County Superintendent*  
*Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article §7-101, Admission of Students; Location; Kindergarten Programs*

Related Policies: Board of Education Policy 5100, *Compulsory Attendance*  
Board of Education Policy 5110, *Admission*  
Board of Education Policy 5140, *Assignment and/or Special Permission Transfer*  
Board of Education Policy 6400, *Magnet Programs*

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