

NO. 202 AR

**AVON GROVE
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

202-AR. ELIGIBILITY OF NONRESIDENT STUDENTS

Proof of Support Gratis

If a resident of the Avon Grove School District maintains in his/her home a child of school age and supports the child gratis, as if the child were his/her own, the child shall be entitled to all school privileges accorded to a resident student of the Avon Grove School District.

Criteria for Support Gratis:

1. The child is supported by the resident and receives no funds from his/her parents or any other adult.
2. The resident assumes all personal obligations for the child relative to school requirements.
3. The resident intends to keep and support the child continuously and not merely through the school year.
4. The resident does not receive any remuneration or reimbursement for the support of the child, other than that permitted by law.

The resident must provide the following completed forms and information, to the Superintendent:

- Guardianship Affidavit
- Acceptable proof of residency; and
- Affidavit of Support or appropriate legal documentation of dependency or guardianship.

Support gratis status must be renewed each year by the resident by resubmission of all forms. These forms should be submitted to the Superintendent.

Children of military personnel who are residing with relatives or family friends while their parent/guardian is deployed shall be presumed to be supported gratis and shall not be required to demonstrate the criteria.

The resident must promptly notify the school district in writing if any of the conditions of residency for the child change.

Occupancy Documents – Emancipated Youth

An individual who is less than eighteen (18) years of age residing independently in the Avon Grove School District may register as an adult in his/her right. The individual must present proof of

residency and emancipation to enroll in the school district. To ascertain that the student is emancipated and has the right to attend school in the Avon Grove School District, the student or advocate must present a written statement that the individual:

- Has severed final ties and is substantially free from parental supervision and control.
- Lives apart from his/her parent(s) or other responsible adult;
- Is financially independent of the parent;
- Is responsible for his/her own welfare and behavior; and/or
- Is married and living with a spouse.

The student or advocate must provide:

- Proof of residency;
- Written statement of emancipation; and
- Notarized affidavit from the natural parents or legal guardian, a court order or a letter from a welfare/social service agency verifying emancipation.

If the District is unable to verify emancipation, the student living independently without parental or adult supervision will be referred to an appropriate child welfare agency.

For additional information pertaining to documents necessary for enrollment, refer to 200-AR.

For additional information pertaining to Theft of Services and Residency Investigation, refer to 200-AR.

TUITION RATES AND PAYMENTS FOR THEFT OF SERVICES

Tuition rates will be calculated as follows:

1. Costs of elementary and secondary on a per student basis will be determined using expenditure accounts approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education on Form PDE-2061, as may be amended from time to time.
2. Regardless of the number of days on the school calendar, monthly tuition rates will be calculated by dividing annual elementary and secondary costs per student by ten (10); and daily tuition rates will be calculated by dividing annual elementary and secondary costs per student based on the number of days in the school year.
3. Tuition rates will be uniform for all elementary students and for all secondary students, regardless of the source of payment.

Tuition rates will be collected as follows (refer to Policy No. 202):

1. A monthly tuition payment must be made to the School District prior to the initial attendance of the child as a non-resident and every thirty (30) calendar days thereafter, until such time as the parents or guardians of the child become residents of the School District or have paid tuition for a full year.
2. Each payment to the School District must be in the amount of the full monthly tuition.
3. Tuition charges will apply if the child is absent from school when school is in session.

4. The tuition payment for a specific year shall be the actual number of days the student is enrolled in the school year.
5. In the event of overpayment of tuition, refunds shall be made at the conclusion of each school year or within 30 days of the students' withdrawal from Avon Grove schools.