

STUDENTS

SCHOOL ADMISSION / RESIDENCY

The North Reading School Committee adopts the following policy and guidelines (“Requirements for Admission to the North Reading Public Schools”) regarding the residency and admissions of students to the North Reading Public Schools. The staff is directed to ensure that all forms and regulations are fully executed and conform to this policy.

Only students who actually reside in the Town of North Reading may attend the North Reading Public Schools. “Residence” is a place where a person actually lives. Unless expressly permitted under the approved guidelines, temporary residence in the Town of North Reading solely for the purpose of attending the North Reading Public Schools is not considered “residence” for admissions to the North Reading Public Schools.

In determining residency, the North Reading School Committee retains the right to require the production of a variety of records and documentation and to investigate where a student actually resides. Students found to be in violation of the residency policy may be dismissed immediately from the North Reading Public Schools and the parent(s), guardian(s) or responsible adult may be jointly and severally liable to the North Reading Public Schools for the student’s tuition for the full academic year(s). The North Reading Public School District may also impose other penalties on the family such as legal fees incurred by legal action and the withholding of certain scholarships and prizes. A parent, legal guardian, or student who has reached the age of majority (18), who is aggrieved by a determination of residency, may appeal the determination to the Superintendent of Schools, whose decision shall be final.

Legal References:

MGL c. 76, sec. 5

McKinney – Vento Homeless Assistance Act

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