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ADMISSION OF RESIDENT STUDENTS

School Administrative District No. 54 shall admit as students those children of legal school age who live with parents or legal guardians residing within the municipalities of Canaan, Cornville, Mercer, Norridgewock, Skowhegan and Smithfield. Adequate proof of residency may be required.

Guardianship shall be substantiated by a copy of a court order appointing the resident as guardian of the student. If the appointment of guardianship has not been made when the student enters school, the appointment must be completed within 45 days. Effective with the beginning of the 1994-95 school year, no student shall be accepted for enrollment on the basis of guardianship established by a power of attorney.

State wards shall be considered residents of the district for purposes of school enrollment. Students who have attained the age of 18 or who are emancipated under Maine Statutes shall be considered residents of the district for school purposes.

Students whose parents have purchased housing within the district may begin the semester with permission of the Superintendent. Students whose parents are moving from the district may complete a semester with the permission of the Superintendent.

In the case where this policy presents an extreme hardship, the affected individuals may appeal to the Board of Directors for a waiver on a case-by-case basis by submitting a written request for waiver to the Chair.