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Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board to provide educational services to non-resident pupils provided sufficient space is available in schools and provided the operating and capital costs associated with providing such services are expected to be recovered in full.

Definition of Non-Resident Pupil

For the purposes of this policy a non-resident pupil is defined as a person who attends a school operated by the Board but who is not qualified to be a resident pupil as defined in the Ontario Education Act. Non-resident pupils generally fall into one of the following three groups.

1. First Nation Pupils residing on reserve whose attendance is provided for in an education services (tuition) agreement between the Board and a First Nation.
2. Canadians whose permanent residence is in a province other than Ontario.
3. International students whose permanent residence is outside Canada.

Rationale

The Education Act and Regulations grant school boards a level of authority and flexibility in establishing policy with respect to the admission of, and fees chargeable to, non-resident pupils.

The Keewatin-Patricia District School Board welcomes the opportunity to provide educational services to non-resident pupils in order to:

- a) help students complete their graduation requirements K – 12 by connecting and bridging the services provided by both Federal and Provincial jurisdictions, such as for Federally supported schools which may not offer programming up to grade 12.
- b) an increased diversity in the student body which can lead to increased tolerance understanding and appreciation of different cultures, religions and races
- c) enlarge the student body enabling an increase in the range of programs that can be offered for all students
- d) Increase quality of educational programs for all students.
- e) Increase the viability of smaller schools as a result of additional enrollments of non-resident pupils.

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The Board also recognizes that agreements between its predecessor boards and the federal government may contain certain obligations to provide educational services to non-resident pupils who are now the responsibility of First Nations and/or their Education Authorities.

Guidelines

Rarely, in exceptional circumstances, services for non-resident pupils may not be provided should the Board be unable to provide the resources necessary or should the cost to a sponsoring organization be prohibitive. It remains the intent of the Keewatin-Patricia District School Board to make partnerships work in order to provide services to requesting non-resident pupils.

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