

TUITION

A parent or legal guardian who is a resident of the state but is not a resident of the district, and is moving into the district with their child(ren), may seek to have their child(ren) enrolled on a tuition basis. The amount of the tuition charged those who have been accepted shall be in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes and Rules set forth by the Department of Public Instruction.

Non-resident parents or legal guardians planning to move into the district must file a written application seeking enrollment for their child(ren). The application must be accompanied by a written declaration, and supportive documents if requested, that residency in the district will be established by a specific date. The application must also be accompanied by a pre-payment of tuition fee for nine weeks. If residency is established by the end of the nine weeks of enrollment, the tuition check will be returned. If residency is not established before the end of the first nine school weeks, there shall be no refund of the tuition for the first nine school weeks. Prior to attendance, the Superintendent or designee must approve the application.

If residency is not established by the end of nine weeks of school after enrollment, another application seeking continuous enrollment must be filed. The application for a second nine weeks must be accompanied by a prepayment of a tuition fee for the second nine weeks. If residency is established by the end of this second nine weeks of enrollment, the tuition check will be returned. If residency is not established before the end of the second nine school weeks, there shall be no refund of the tuition for the second nine school weeks.

If residency is not established by the end of the second nine weeks, the application and prepayment process must be repeated for a third and any subsequent nine-week period(s). When residency is established after the second nine weeks, the amount of the tuition charged is not refundable but will be charged on a prorated basis by the number of school days the student was enrolled following the end of the second nine weeks and until residency was established. Nine school weeks constitutes 45 days that school is in session.

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An application for enrollment by paying tuition must be accompanied by one or more of the following supportive documents:

New Construction – building permit
Remodeling to an Existing Structure – building permit
Existing House – agreement to purchase
Rental – agreement to rent

For purposes of determining if residency has been achieved, the following two questions must be answered:

1. Does the child physically reside within the Swallow District?
2. Does the child reside in the District with someone other than a parent or guardian for a purpose other than attendance at Swallow?

The date of physical residency has been achieved if these questions have been answered in the affirmative. At the point residency is established, the tuition payment is no longer required. Official residency is confirmed when one or more of the following is provided as documentation, as well as any additional documentation as requested by the district:

New Construction – occupancy permit
Remodeling to an Existing Structure – occupancy permit
Existing Home – closing statement
Rental – rental contract

Tuition students are not eligible for district-funded transportation.

References: Wisconsin Statute 121.81
Wisconsin Supreme Court: state ex rel. school district v. Thayer
(1889) 74 wis.48

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