

JBC School Admissions

12/5/24

The Cobb County School District (District) shall serve students who are eligible to attend the District's schools to the extent permitted by Georgia law. The District will adhere to all requirements regarding student enrollment, including those in federal law, state law, and State Board of Education Rules.

Resident Students

The District shall serve all eligible K-12 students whose primary place of residence is within the District and whose parent's/legal guardian's home is documented to be within the District.

In determining a student's primary place of residence there shall be a presumption the student resides, and his/her primary place of residence is, with his/her parents, whether natural or adopted. If a student does not maintain a primary residence with the parent or legal guardian, CCSD will not allow the student to enroll without appropriate state-approved documentation that establishes that student's primary residence is with the enrolling adult.

A student may not be enrolled by an adult acting in place of the parent if the purpose of the student's residing with such adult is to avoid a suspension or expulsion imposed by another school district, to avoid attending school in his/her attendance areas, to participate in extracurricular activities, or solely to attend a District school the student would not be otherwise eligible to attend.

Non-Resident Students

"Non-resident student" shall, for purposes of this policy, denote a student who has not established legal residence in the District and is not covered by a special provision made for certain students covered by state or federal law.

Non-resident students, resident home study students, and private school students may be accepted and enrolled as a student in the District' virtual school program upon payment of applicable fees. In order to be accepted, a non-resident student shall meet all academic, disciplinary, attendance and behavioral standards of the District. Course placement of a non-resident student allowed to enroll in the District shall be determined solely by designated District administrative personnel and is subject to space availability, among other factors.

It shall be the responsibility of any non-resident student enrolled in the District to meet and continue to meet all academic and disciplinary standards of the District. A non-resident student accepted as a student shall be wholly subject to the student discipline and conduct codes and may be disciplined pursuant to all discipline codes as if she/he were a resident student and face revocation of eligibility to remain enrolled.

Assignment to Schools

Resident students are required to attend the school within the established attendance zone in which they reside, unless an exception is granted by the District in compliance with federal and state law, State Board of Education rules, or District Rules. Non-resident students will be allowed to attend the school as determined and approved by District administrative personnel.

Revision Timeline:* Adopted: 12/5/24 *Administrative Rules and Board Policies are reviewed on a regular basis. Dates indicate when revisions were made, not the dates of document review.

Division: Chief of Staff

Legal Reference	
O.C.G.A. 20-2-294	Permanent classrooms; student commuting distance; reassignment; cost of transportation
O.C.G.A. 20-2-71	Placement of twins or higher order multiples in the same classroom
O.C.G.A. 20-2-2113	Special Needs Scholarship - Annual notification of options available to parents of special needs
	students
O.C.G.A. 20-2-2130	Public School Choice - Definitions
O.C.G.A. 20-2-2131	Public School Choice
O.C.G.A. 20-2-290	Organization of schools
O.C.G.A. 20-2-293	Student attending school in system other than system of student's residence
O.C.G.A. 20-2-59	LBOE rule-making authority
O.C.G.A. 20-2-60	Consolidation of county schools
Rule 160-4-719	Services for Agency-Placed Students
Rule 160-4-816	Unsafe School Choice Option (USCO)
Rule 160-5-128	Student Enrollment and Withdrawal
Rule 160-5-409	Limited Public School Choice