

Unless provided otherwise in this policy, tuition will be charged to students admitted under policy 4130, Discretionary Admission, if the students are domiciled in the State and residing outside of Buncombe County. Tuition will equal the local per pupil allocation for current expense as provided by the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners from the preceding year.

Tuition may be waived or reduced if a student meets one of the following criteria:

1. The student is admitted to the school system pursuant to an agreement between this board and another board of education, in which the agreement specifies that the payment of tuition by the student's parent/guardian will not be required.
2. The student resides on a military base within North Carolina, where federal funds designed to compensate for the impact on public schools of military dependent students are provided to the school system in an amount not less than 50 percent of the total per capita cost for education, exclusive of capital outlay and debt service.
3. The student demonstrates extraordinary financial hardship. These cases must be evaluated and approved by the Superintendent or designee.
4. The student is residing outside of Buncombe County and was assigned to a school served by the student's future residence but whose parents are moving into Buncombe County before the 40<sup>th</sup> day of the school year.
  - If proof of residency within Buncombe County is not presented by that time, full tuition will be owed.
5. The student's parent/guardian is employed by Buncombe County Schools in a permanent full-time or permanent part-time position. Discretionary admission will only be considered for the district in which the parent is employed.

Tuition will be owed if a student meets one of the following criteria:

1. The student's residency is located outside of Buncombe County but seeks permission to attend a Buncombe County School and the student's parent/guardian is not employed by Buncombe County Schools in a permanent full-time or permanent part-time position.
2. The student's residency was located inside Buncombe County before the 40<sup>th</sup> day of the school year, but during the first semester the student moves to another county.
  - If the student moves out of Buncombe County before the 40<sup>th</sup> day of the school year, full tuition for the year will be owed.
  - If the student moves out of Buncombe County after the 40<sup>th</sup> day of the school year, tuition will be owed for second semester (half of the annual tuition rate).
3. The student's parent/guardian is employed by Buncombe County Schools in a permanent full-time or permanent part-time position and they leave employment.
  - If the employment ends before the 40<sup>th</sup> day of the school year, full tuition for the year will be owed.
  - If employment ends after the 40<sup>th</sup> day of the school year, tuition will be owed for second semester (half of the annual tuition rate).

Tuition will not be charged to students who are domiciliaries of the State and who reside in the school system. However, the board may enter an agreement with the board of education of the student's domicile for payment of tuition by that board.

Legal References: G.S. 115C-366, -366.1

Cross References: Discretionary Admission (policy 4130)

Takes the place of Policy 410 and Administrative Regulation 410R

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