

## ADMISSION OF NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS

The residents of the City of Augusta bear financial responsibility for the public school system which is charged with providing education for school-age children residing within the city. To ensure that school funds are spent for the benefit of residents, the board must limit free admission to children whose parents or legal guardians reside in Augusta, except as:

- 1) Admission of nonresident students as required by law;
- 2) The board has entered into an agreement with an adjoining administrative unit, and tuition fees are paid by the other unit as permitted by law;
- 3) Tuition for students residing on state-owned property within or outside the City of Augusta is paid by the state;
- 4) The student meets one of the conditions in Section 5203 (Title 20-A) or Section 5204 or 5205. All requirements regarding age, health examinations, and immunizations which apply to resident students shall also apply to nonresident students who enroll in the Augusta Public Schools.

### Tuition

Tuition rates shall be set on the basis of state law. The superintendent shall be responsible for devising procedures for collecting and accounting for tuition money, in accordance with the law and with the regulations of the Department of Education. Non-resident students may be admitted on a tuition basis in summer sessions and in adult and continuing education classes. Non-resident students may be enrolled on a private tuition-paying basis to the regular school day program upon application by the parent and approval by the superintendent. Such approval shall be granted only if space is available, and if no harmful effect to other students can be anticipated. This is to be reviewed and approved annually. Tuition rates shall be set by the board in compliance with legal requirements.

Current practice codified: 1975

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LEGAL REFS: Title 20-A, Chapter 213, §5201, §5202, §5203, §5204, §5205

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