Raymond School District Policy - JF

ENROLLMENT POLICY

Just as it is the District's responsibility to provide an education to all resident pupils between the ages of six years and eighteen years, it is the responsibility of resident parents to enroll their children in school, consistent with this policy and with all applicable state laws.

Consistent with the provisions of Policy JEB Age of Entrance, a student may enter kindergarten if his/her chronological age will be five before September 30 of the year of entering school. A student may enter grade one if his/her chronological age will be six before September 30 of the year of entering school.

Students may attend school part-time, consistent with the provisions of RSA 193:1-a, Dual Enrollment. If a student is a resident of the District and is attending a school within the District on a part-time basis, the District will ensure that the student is satisfying compulsory attendance requirements. If a student is not a resident of the District, but is attending a school within the District on a part-time basis, it shall not be the District's responsibility to ensure that the student is satisfying compulsory attendance requirements.

Students participating in alternative learning programs established, offered and approved by the District shall be considered enrolled in the District. Alternative learning programs may include but are not limited to extended learning opportunities, alternative learning programs, independent studies, private instruction, or others.

Resident students who participate in a home education program pursuant to RSA 193-A will not be considered to be enrolled in the District, even if such students access educational programs through the District.

It is the policy of the School Board that all students enrolling in school must do so on a full-time basis. "Full-time basis" shall be defined as attending classes for the full instructional day within the public school system or in conjunction with another state-accredited institution such as a vocational-technical school or a college or university for concurrent enrollment. The only exception to this policy shall be for fifth year seniors and special education students whose IEPs require variations of student schedules. In the event the State Department of Education advises that part-time students can be counted for state aid purposes, the School Board will reconsider this policy.

Legal References:

RSA 189:1-a, Duty to Provide Education RSA 193:1, Duty of Parent; Compulsory Attendance of Pupil

RSA 193:1-a, Dual Enrollment

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