

ASSIGNMENT OF STUDENTS TO SCHOOL OF ATTENDANCE

PURPOSE:

This policy is set forth for the purpose of establishing the designated school of attendance for all resident students enrolled in school within the North Kingstown School District.

PHILOSOPHY:

The School Committee is committed to creating a rational and appropriate geographic boundary line organizational structure for determining the assignment of students to the school buildings of the district for daily school attendance. In fulfilling this task, it seeks to do so in a manner which assures availability of program, staff and facilities to meet student educational needs in an existing school facility within reasonable location and orientation to the student's place of residence in the community.

POLICY STATEMENT:

1. It is the determination of the North Kingstown School Committee that, except as otherwise provided by School Committee policy, all students will be enrolled and required to attend class on a daily basis at their designated school of attendance as determined by the Superintendent and approved by the School Committee in keeping with the administrative directive accompanying this policy.
2. Each student will attend the elementary or middle school located in the attendance area within the stipulated boundaries as established by the accompanying administrative directive to this policy, while the entire boundaries of the district shall serve as the designated attendance boundary lines for high school students.
3. Students will be assigned to a school of attendance based on the location of their place of official residence and its relationship to the nearest school building where the appropriate grade level of instruction is in place. Exceptions to this policy would be in cases where in the interest in maintaining efficiencies, the school district has the right to move a student to another school if the closest school is at the maximum classroom capacity.
4. The assignment of students to a school of attendance shall also take into consideration the overall needs of the district as it relates to an appropriate and reasonable distribution of the total student population and the Committee's desire to provide for equal educational opportunity to all students.

POLICY DIRECTIVE:

The administration shall assign all students to their designated school of attendance based on the stipulations as set forth in the administrative directive JCA-R.

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