Admission of Resident Students

Children of school age who are residents of the Watertown School District may attend school without payment of tuition. Children who are citizens of a foreign country will be considered residents if they meet all of the following requirements:

- 1. The child resides with his/her parents or legal guardians within the boundaries of the District.
- 2. The child is in the United States under a visa other than a visitor's visa or a student visa; and
- 3. The child is a participant in a foreign student exchange program approved by the superintendent.

The School Board has the legal authority to determine which school a student will attend. Generally, students will be required to attend the school in the attendance area in which they reside, unless special permission has been granted through the District's intra-district open enrollment process.

The following standards will apply regarding intra-district open enrollment. If the proposed transfer results in a pupil/teacher ratio in excess of 23:1 in a kindergarten through 3rd grade class, the transfer may be deemed to result in an inability to provide a quality education program. The District reserves the right to adjust the pupil/teacher ratio if enrollment increases within a grade level. If the intra-district open enrollment is accepted, transportation is the responsibility of the parents.

The Board will accept intra-district applications any time prior to the beginning of the school year, unless extenuating circumstances occur during the school year. The superintendent will approve or disapprove the intra-district transfer applications. The Board is the appellant board if a transfer application is denied and appealed.