

EAST PENN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Education of Children Residing with an Adult other than Natural Parent

Section 13-1302 -- Pennsylvania School Code of 1949

The School Code specifically states that:

"When a resident of any school district keeps in his/her home a child of school age, not his/her own, supporting the child gratis as if the child were his/her own, such child shall be entitled to all free school privileges accorded to resident school children of the district.

Before accepting such child as a pupil, the Board of School Directors of the district may require such resident to file with the Secretary of the Board a sworn statement that he/she is a resident of the district, that he/she is supporting the child gratis, that he/she will assume all personal obligations for the child relative to school requirements, and that he/she intends to so keep and support the child continuously and not merely through the school term."

To qualify for free tuition, the following conditions must be met:

- .. the student must reside with the residents continuously and not merely through the school term.
- .. residents must support the child gratis.*
- .. residents must assume all personal obligations for the child relative to school requirements.

PROCEDURE:

1. Residents must file a sworn statement affirming their continuous support and assumption of personal obligations for the child in question before any school privileges can be extended.
2. Residents must file a sworn statement attesting their residency within the East Penn School District before any school privileges can be extended.
3. This application is subject to verification.
4. Privileges of attendance will be revoked if the terms of the agreement are not fully complied with.
5. Pupils enrolled in our schools under Section 1302 must REENROLL with new forms prior to the opening of school.
6. Building forwards forms to the Student Services Office for verification prior to submission to Board Secretary.

*A resident's receipt of public payments, such as Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Transitional Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), pre-adoptive support or other payments for or on account of the child, shall not be deemed to be personal compensation or gain.

**SWORN STATEMENT BY RESIDENT UNDER 13-1302
(To Be Completed by Resident Only)**

Instructions: Please complete the following statement. If the potential student is living, or will be living, in a household with two resident adults who will assume responsibility for the student, both residents must complete and sign this statement.

1. Child's Full Name: _____
Birthdate: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

Name & Address of Last School Attended: _____

Date Child Began / Will Begin to Reside in Your Home: _____

2. Your Name: _____ Name of Spouse: _____
Home Address: _____
Home Telephone Number: _____ Work Number: _____
Is Residency Affidavit Attached? Yes _____ No _____

3. Child's Parent Name & Address:

4. Do you intend to keep and support the child continuously and not merely through the school term?
Yes _____ No _____

5. Will anyone contribute to the child's support? Yes _____ No _____

6. Is there currently a support order for the child that has been entered by a court or other party?
Yes _____ No _____
If yes, to whom are the payments made?

7. Who will claim this child as a dependent for State/Federal Income Tax purposes?

8. Will you assume all personal obligations related to school requirements for this child that may include providing for required immunizations, uniforms, fees/fines, citations/fines for truancy, attending parent-teacher conferences, attending meetings/hearings concerning discipline, and fulfill any special education requirements?
Yes _____ No _____

9. Will you assume the responsibility and obligation for making all education decisions?
Yes _____ No _____

I/We grant the East Penn School District permission to investigate the information I have presented in this statement by discussing the presented information with all appropriate parties, as necessary to confirm the factual accuracy. I/We further understand that a change in status or non-compliance with any of the above information/statements may give the East Penn School District reason to remove the student from the right to participate in the educational program.

Signed by resident(s) and notarized: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Director of Student Services _____ Date: _____

Signature of School Board Secretary: _____ Date: _____

RESIDENCY AFFIDAVIT

I/We attest that all information provided here is correct and current. I/We understand that if residency should change, for any reason, it is the responsibility of the resident to notify the East Penn School District and amend the Residency Affidavit. Any false statements can and will be punishable by law.

I/We, _____, currently reside at
(Resident's Name[s])

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Homeowner's Verification

Homeowner's Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Approval has been granted for _____ to reside with
Child's Name

_____, at the address identified above.
Resident's Name[s])

Landlord Verification

Landlord's Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Approval has been granted for _____ to reside with
Child's Name

_____, at the address identified above.
Resident's Name(s)

Landlord's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Through my/our notarized signature(s), I/we grant the East Penn School District permission to investigate the above information that I/we have presented in this affidavit for confirmation and factual accuracy. I/We further understand that a change in status or non-compliance with any of the above information/statements may give the East Penn School District reason to remove the student from the right to participate in the educational program.

Signed by resident(s) and notarized: _____ Date: _____