

RESIDENCY

The ensuing criteria will be utilized to determine resident status of students enrolling in the Wakefield School District.

1. A minor (under the age of 18) cannot obtain or establish legal residency on his/her own.
2. Students will be considered to be resident students if they maintain residency with both parents who reside in Wakefield.
3. Students living with either parent by court order (i.e. divorce) or by some temporary agreement would maintain residency of the parent they are living with.
4. If not living with a natural parent a court order is required to transfer legal residency to a third party, i.e. guardianship through probate court or a placement through a district or superior court order.
5. A minor cannot obtain a legal residency with a party other than a natural parent by any informal agreement either written or oral.
6. A minor in the custody of a legal guardian must reside where the guardian resides. If the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services is the legal guardian, the residence of the minor is where the child is placed by the Department or Court.
7. The residence of children of homeless parents is where the child eats and sleeps unless the parents and another school district agree that the child's continued attendance in the district is in the best interest of the child and that transportation will not be unduly burdensome to the school district.

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