

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS

Attendance zones will be established by the Board of Education, and all modifications or alterations in school boundaries will be approved by the Board.

The Superintendent of Schools will make recommendations to the Board, as needed, on the maintenance or alteration of established attendance zones.

Actions to establish, modify, or alter attendance zone boundaries will give priority consideration to the operational needs of the school system, demographic data, and the impact upon the educational program of the school system. Any recommendation for establishment or alteration of boundaries will include an analysis and justification based on these factors.

A. Students will be expected to attend the school that lies within the attendance area in which they reside, with the following exceptions:

1. After the commencement of the school year, a student whose place of residency changes from one school attendance area to another may elect, upon written request to the District Office of Attendance & Registration, to continue at the original school according to the following conditions:
 - a. Kindergarten through Grade 3: student may complete current school year only.
 - b. Grades 4-5: student may continue through completion of grade 5.
 - c. Grade 6: student may complete current school year only.
 - d. Grades 7-8: student may continue through completion of grade 8.
 - e. Grades 9-12: student may continue through completion of grade 12.

2. Families currently residing in the school district who have a valid purchase agreement or lease for a residence in the attendance area of a school other than the one of their current residence will be permitted, upon written request to the District Office of Attendance & Registration, to have their children attend the school for which their new residence is zoned. Such attendance will not be permitted beyond 90 calendar days unless a deed or closing statement (for a purchase) and proof of actual occupancy is established by the presentation of three pieces of official mail. Official mail may include bank statements, credit card statements, income tax returns, insurance bills, medical bills, utility bills, etc. Either an electric or gas bill is acceptable, but not both. No personal mail or "junk" mail will be accepted.

3. In cases involving the health or welfare of a student, the Department of Pupil Personnel Services may recommend a change in school assignment as being in the best interests of the child and the school.

B. Students who move out of the school district will be declared nonresidents and will be immediately disenrolled, with the following exceptions:

1. Students who move out of the district after March 31 may be allowed, upon prior written request to the District Office of Attendance & Registration, to complete that school year only, without payment of tuition, and will be disenrolled as of June 30.

2. Students who have completed both tenth and eleventh grade in the district may, upon prior written request to the District Office of Attendance & Registration, attend twelfth grade in the district without payment of tuition provided that they meet acceptable standards of conduct and scholarship. If all graduation requirements are not met within one year, this privilege will not be extended.

C. This policy does not provide school bus transportation for students attending schools outside their attendance area.

Great Neck Public Schools

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