

TOWN OF LOWELL STUDENT REGISTRATION/RESIDENCY CARD

STUDENT NAME: _____

PARENT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

SCHOOL TO ATTEND: _____ MSAD 67 – LINCOLN _____ MSAD 31 – HOWLAND

GRADE: _____

IN ORDER TO PROPERLY VERIFY RESIDENCY, PLEASE PROVIDE COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS WHICH WILL BE ATTACHED TO THIS FORM.

OPTION A:

1. Tax Bill for the Town of Lowell
2. Driver License with Lowell address

OR

OPTION B:

1. Current lease for place of residency in Town of Lowell
2. Two utility bills for place of residency in Town of Lowell
3. Driver License with Lowell address

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE, THAT I AM THE LEGAL PARENT/GUARDIAN OF THE ABOVE NAMED STUDENT WHO IS PERMANENTLY DOMICILED IN THE TOWN OF LOWELL, AND ACKNOWLEDGE MY RESPONSIBILITY TO NOTIFY THE TOWN OF LOWELL OF ANY CHANGES IN THE ABOVE INFORMATION.

Signature of Parent

Date

LOWELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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STUDENT RESIDENCY POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Lowell School Committee that the expenditure of public funds to provide elementary and secondary education, including special education and vocational education shall be limited to those students who meet the following criteria with respect to residence:

A student is considered a resident of the Town of Lowell if:

- (1) The student's parents with legal custody are a resident of Lowell; or
- (2) The student is 18 years of age or over and otherwise emancipated and resides in Lowell; or
- (3) The student is an emancipated minor and resides in Lowell; or
- (4) The student's court appointed legal guardian with legal custody is a resident of Lowell and the legal guardian can demonstrate that the guardianship was obtained for reasons necessary to the welfare of the student, and not solely for the purpose of taking advantage of Lowell's education policies; or
- (5) The student resides in Lowell with someone other than his parent or guardian with legal custody and the Lowell Superintendent and/or Maine Commissioner of Education has made the determination in accordance with Maine State Law; or
- (6) The student is a homeless student, eligible to attend elementary or secondary school as provided by Maine State Law.

Residence means bona fide residence. A bona fide residence is one's actual residence maintained in good faith and does not include a temporary or superficial residence established for the purpose of free school attendance provided by the Town of Lowell. Factors to be considered in determining residency include where one regularly sleeps, eats, votes, pays taxes, owns property, registers vehicles, keeps furniture and belongings, etc. A ward of the state is not considered a resident for purposes of this policy. The Town of Lowell will provide financial support, i.e., tuition, transportation, etc., for students in grades K-12 only.

It is the responsibility of the student and/or legal guardian to prove their legal residency under the provisions of this policy. The Lowell School Committee reserves the right to require the submission of any and all documents to support one's residency. The Town of Lowell reserves the right to require repayment of all school expenses should residency be determined to be fraudulent.

Legal Reference: 18-A MRSA § 5201, et seq.
20-A MRSA §§ 5202 et seq., 6002
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