Descriptor Code: ABCA

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AREAS

In order to facilitate the most efficient administration, organization and operation of the various schools of the district, it is necessary to establish boundaries for attendance areas.

The administrative staff under the direction of the Superintendent shall establish, and the Board shall approve, the attendance areas for the various schools of the district.

Students shall be expected to attend the school to which they are assigned. Under the general authority granted to assign children to schools as deemed in the best educational interests of all, the Board authorizes the Superintendent to grant or deny requests for individuals to attend schools outside of their designated attendance areas after consideration of the following criteria:

- 1. The change appears to be in the best interests of the individual.
- 2. No bus route will be extended <u>reasonable</u> beyond its normal run.
- 3. Principals of both schools involved approve of the change.
- 4. The Superintendent finds the change to be in the best interests of the district.

Parents of students who wish to have such exceptions made may complete forms available in the Superintendent's office and submit them to the Superintendent. Students who wish to transfer from schools that have been deemed in need of improvement under federal and/or state law shall be allowed to transfer to a school that is not so designated. The Superintendent shall determine which school(s) in the district will receive such students.

The North Dakota High School Activities Association regulations shall prevail concerning eligibility to participate in high school activities when a student transfers from one high school to another.

The School Board reserves the authority to transfer students from specified areas to different schools when enrollment must be balanced because of classroom space requirements or class size.

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