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## STUDENT ATTENDANCE ZONES AND ASSIGNMENT

- 1. Each student residing in St. Johns County and enrolled in the public school system shall be assigned to a school based upon the student's residence.
- 2. A student's residence is defined as the home of the student's parents or such other person with whom the student resides pursuant to court order or the residence where the student is placed by a state or federal agency which has jurisdiction over the student.
- 3. Attendance zones shall be adopted from time to time by the School Board pursuant to the rule making process of state law. In developing attendance zones, the School Board shall consider the following criteria:
  - A. The requirements of the current desegregation order.
  - B. The anticipated future growth and demographic changes in the attendance zone.
  - C. That school facilities shall be fully utilized.
  - D. Reducing transportation distances.
  - E. Protecting the school feeder pattern structure.
  - F. Minimizing the disruption to students and their families caused by rezoning.
  - G. Demographic balance.
- 4. Each student shall attend his/her assigned school unless voluntarily or involuntarily transferred to another school (including public schools in surrounding counties), pursuant to state law, School Board Rule or procedure.
- 5. No student shall be permitted to transfer or enroll in a school when the student has been expelled from another school district. As such, the St. Johns County School District shall enforce the terms of the original expulsion order.

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- 6. Students shall be permitted to transfer to a school other than their assigned school pursuant to School Board procedures, for any of the following reasons:
  - A. Based upon the residence of a parent who has shared parental responsibility, provided both parents are residents of St. Johns County.
  - B. To attend a Program of Emphasis.
  - C. Pursuant to a school choice plan
  - D. "Hardship" as determined by the Superintendent.
  - E. Pursuant to state law and inter-local agreements entered into between surrounding school districts, which allow students for specific reasons to attend a school in this district or surrounding districts, regardless of the county in which they reside. Any such inter-local agreements shall be approved by the School Board and shall not materially impact the racial composition of either the receiving or sending district.
  - F. To leave a Performance Category "F" school, which has failed to make adequate progress for two school years in a four year period.
  - G. When a student attends a Title 1 school which has not made adequate yearly progress for two consecutive school years.
- 7. Students shall be involuntarily transferred for disciplinary reasons pursuant to School Board Rule and procedure or to enforce the terms of a court order.
- 8. The Superintendent shall develop procedures to implement this rule.

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