



Lone Jack C6 School District

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Proof of Residency Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

Q. How is Lone Jack C6 School District residency defined?

A. Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) must actually reside with the student within the Lone Jack C6 School District boundaries. "Residence" is the permanent primary physical location where a person lives and sleeps. The residence of a minor child is presumed to be the residence of the parent(s) or guardian(s) who have legal physical custody of the child.

- i. If the student's parents are divorced and share physical custody, the student's residence is the location where the student lives the majority of the time – with the primary or majority custodial parent (court documents will be required).
- ii. If the student is not living with a parent, the Lone Jack C6 School District requires that a responsible adult obtain legal guardianship through the court system (notarized letters from parents giving "guardianship" to others are acceptable).
- iii. A temporary resident within the Lone Jack C6 School District boundaries solely for the purpose of attending a Lone Jack C6 District school shall not be considered residency.

Q. How does the Lone Jack C6 School District verify residency?

A. Proof of residency is required annually for all students in all district schools at the time of their enrollment. Documents that satisfy proof of residency are listed on the Proof of Residency Requirement Form. The district reserves the right to request additional proof documents or to perform unscheduled home visits at any time to verify a family's residency. Families who move during the school year must re-submit proof of residency for the new address.

Q. What if I don't have the required proof of residency with me when I register?

A. All families must have the required documents at the time of enrollment or back-to-school registration. The student's enrollment or registration will be put on hold until the family can return with the required proof of residency documents.

Q. What if none of the utility bills are in my name?

A. You can call the utility company and have your name added to the bill, then ask the utility company to fax a confirmation letter to the school for proof of residency. If you are sharing a residency, a separate form, which must be notarized is required, prior to registration.

Q. What if all my statements and bills are online?

A. You should be able to log into your online accounts and print copies of your statements and bills. Printouts are acceptable if they include the home/property address (not a PO box), the account holder's name, and the billing date.

Q. What if I'm worried about my privacy? Will documents that I submit remain confidential?

A. Yes, all submitted documents will remain confidential. You may black out your financial information and/or account numbers to protect your privacy. We are only interested in names, addresses, and dates.



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Q. What if I just moved or purchased a new home and I don't have any proof documents yet?

A. We have listed a number of documents that should be able to provide even shortly after moving. For example, a change of address confirmation letter from the U.S. Postal Service, or you can submit a work order from any utility stating that your service has been ordered or installed. If you provide the school with a new home purchase contract or closing escrow papers, you will have no more than 30 days to provide a second document.

Q. Does owning land or a business in the district meet the residency requirements?

A. While the district will discount tuition, based on the taxes an individual pays within district boundaries, owning land or a business in the district does not constitute residency. An individual must be domiciled in a permanent structure to claim residency.

Q. What if I cannot produce all required documents?

A. If your personal circumstances make it impossible to provide the appropriate items, you may schedule a meeting at central office, with available documents, to explain why your circumstances prevent you from having the required documents.

Q. What if my family does not have a permanent residence?

A. Proof of residency requirements do not apply to students and families in a homeless situation as defined by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act. If you feel you qualify as being homeless under this Act, please request an appointment with the counseling department of the appropriate school. The counselor will be able to discuss your residency status.

Q. What are the consequences of residency fraud?

A. Evidence that false information was provided will result in the immediate withdrawal of the child/children from the Lone Jack C6 School District. Any persons making false statements with the intent to deceive a public servant in the performance of their official function could be found guilty of a misdemeanor, and forced to pay tuition at the current district rate.

Q. What are my options if I am not a resident, but wish to send my student to the Lone Jack C6 School District anyway?

A. The Lone Jack C6 School District, Board of Education sets a tuition rate every year, based on the per-pupil expenditure. The current rate can be obtained by contacting the Board of Education Secretary at 816-697-3539.

Q. Do options other than tuition exist?

A. Anyone can submit a waiver request to the Lone Jack C6 School District, Board of Education if they believe there is a hardship that exists.