



# **SCHOOL BOARD ACTION REPORT**

**DATE:** April 11, 2017  
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**For Introduction:** May 3, 2017  
**For Action:** May 17, 2017

## **1. TITLE**

Motion to amend Board Policy No. 3141, Nonresident Students

## **2. PURPOSE**

This Board Action Report makes edits to Board Policy No. 3141, Nonresident Students, to reflect changes in the law, ensure legal compliance, and provide additional clarity to those applying for admission into the District.

## **3. RECOMMENDED MOTION**

I move that the School Board amend Board Policy No. 3141, Nonresident Students, as attached to the Board Action Report.

## **4. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

### **a. Background**

Current Board Policy No. 3141, Nonresident Students, has a number of areas that need to be changed in order to be consistent with state law and provide additional ability for the District to manage capacity in District buildings. The current wording of the Policy is unclear whether admission is granted to the District or a building. However, RCW 28A.225.225 is clear that admission shall be granted at the District level. Making this distinction clear in our policy and nonresident application will allow greater ability to manage building capacity and is predicted to reduce the number of nonresident appeals. Further, in 2013, an additional criteria to reject admission to a nonresident student was added to RCW 28A.225.225 that is not reflected in our current Board Policy, but is included as part of this amendment. The edits to the policy also bring the language into alignment with the District's Transportation Service Standards.

### **b. Alternatives**

Do not amend the policy. This is not recommended because the changes help to eliminate the risk of confusion surrounding the provision of transportation for students and should also help to manage building capacity issues.

### **c. Research**

State law, including RCW 28A.225.225 and 28A.225.240 were used to amend this policy. In addition, Tacoma Public Schools' Policy 3141 was reviewed for benchmarking purposes.

**5. FISCAL IMPACT/REVENUE SOURCE**

There is no fiscal impact related to amending Policy No. 4237.

The revenue source for this motion is N/A.

Expenditure:  One-time  Annual  Multi-Year  N/A

Revenue:  One-time  Annual  Multi-Year  N/A

**6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

With guidance from the District's Community Engagement tool, this action was determined to merit the following tier of community engagement:

Not applicable

Tier 1: Inform

Tier 2: Consult/Involve

Tier 3: Collaborate

If the policy is approved, the community will be informed through the nonresident application information that will be posted on the District website and at the JSCEE enrollment services desk.

**7. EQUITY ANALYSIS**

The tool wasn't applied because the changes are focused on legal compliance.

**8. STUDENT BENEFIT**

Changes to this Policy should help to make the enrollment process for nonresident students easier to understand and may provide a smoother process for some.

**9. WHY BOARD ACTION IS NECESSARY**

Amount of contract initial value or contract amendment exceeds \$250,000 (Policy No. 6220)

Amount of grant exceeds \$250,000 in a single fiscal year (Policy No. 6114)

Adopting, amending, or repealing a Board policy

Formally accepting the completion of a public works project and closing out the contract

Legal requirement for the School Board to take action on this matter

Board Policy No. \_\_\_\_\_, [TITLE], provides the Board shall approve this item

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**10. POLICY IMPLICATION**

If approved, this motion would amend Policy No. 3141, Nonresident Students.

**11. BOARD COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

This motion was discussed at the Operations Committee meeting on April 20, 2017. The Committee reviewed the motion and moved the item forward for consideration by the full Board.

**12. TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION**

Upon approval of this motion, Policy No. 3141, Nonresident Students, will be amended and new versions of the policy will be posted online. Enrollment Services will edit the nonresident application materials to reflect the changes in the policy.

**13. ATTACHMENTS**

- Board Policy No. 3141, Nonresident Students – Clean (for approval)
- Board Policy No. 3141, Nonresident Students – Redline (for reference)