



INDEPENDENT LIVING DECLARATION

(Reference Administrative Procedure 302)

CRITERIA:

In order for a student aged 16 or 17 years to be considered Independent of their Parents for residency purposes, one of the following criteria must be met:

- 1. I am supported by Family Enhancement Agreement Social Services under the Supported Independent Living Program. (A statement from Social Services is required.)
- 2. I am living independently and supporting myself. (I am responsible only to myself, not to any family member, relative, friend, or agency.) A married student is considered to be independent.

NAME: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

I hereby declare that I am living independently according to one of the above criteria (please check one).

Signature

Date

In order to determine independent student status the principal must consider the following criteria.

1.
 - (a) Have the student's parents or the student provided a statement in writing or a statutory declaration that the student is independent?
 - (b) Does the student demonstrate to the satisfaction of the principal that they make decisions with respect to day-to-day living?
 - (c) Does the student earn their own living or substantially contribute to their own maintenance or receive government financial support?
 - (d) Does the student handle major decisions such as health care?
 - (e) Does the student make and maintain arrangements for living accommodation?
 - (f) Is the student married or co-habiting?
 - (g) Are any other factors that the principal considers relevant?
2. None of these criteria alone is a sole indicator of independence, but the response to all of them will assist the principal in determining whether or not a student is appropriately considered an independent student.
3. If the principal determines that the criteria are not met, the principal must advise the parents and student in writing of the principal's decision.

4. If the principal determines that the criteria are met, then the student is recognized as an independent student and the principal must ensure that this information is entered into the Student Information System (SIS). At any time that the student no longer meets the criteria for independent status, the student and the parent must inform the school principal in writing of the change at which time the principal is responsible to ensure that the information is updated in the SIS.

PARENTAL CONFIRMATION (IF POSSIBLE)

I hereby declare that the above named individual lives independent of myself and is not responsible to me.

Parent(s) Signature

Date

This form and supporting documents (if required) is to be attached to the LRSD Student Registration Form if student (under 18) is determining their own residency.

References

Section 3,4,6,7,8,9,11,16,31,32,33,36,37,52,53,197,222 Education Act
Child, Youth and Family Enhancement Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. C-12, Section 57.2
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