

# **Policy and Procedures**

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## Admission and Denial of Admission

### Admission

All persons age 6 and under 21 who have not graduated from high school or received any document evidencing completion of the equivalent of a secondary curriculum (e.g., G.E.D.), and reside within the boundaries of this school district may be permitted to attend public schools without payment of tuition. In addition, persons who do not reside in the district may be admitted under Board policies relating to nonresident students or by specific action of the Board.

A birth certificate or other proof of legal age, as well as proof of residence, shall be required by the school administration.

Students new to the district shall be enrolled conditionally until records, including discipline records, from the schools previously attended by the student are received by the district. Notice of the conditional enrollment status of new students shall be clearly indicated on all new student enrollment forms. In the event the student's records indicate a reason to deny admission, the student's conditional enrollment status shall be revoked. The student's parent/guardian shall be provided with written notice of the denial of enrollment. The notice shall inform the parent/guardian of the right to request a hearing.

Students shall be urged to have a physical examination and to submit a report from the examining physician on a form provided by the district prior to enrollment.

#### **Denial of admission**

The Board of Education or the superintendent may deny admission to the schools of the district in accordance with applicable law. (See Regulation JF-R and Exhibit JF-E.)

The Board shall provide due process of law to students and parents/guardians through written procedures consistent with law for denial of admission to a student.

The policy and procedures for denial of admission shall be the same as those for student suspension and expulsion inasmuch as the same section of the law governs these areas. (See Regulation JKD/JKE- R.)

#### **Nondiscrimination**

Pueblo School District No. 60 does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, <u>family composition</u>, marital status, national origin, religion, ancestry, age, disability, need for special education services, genetic information, pregnancy or childbirth status, or other status protected by law in admission, access to, treatment or employment in its educational programs or activities. Additionally, a lack of English language skills is not a barrier to admission or participation in activities.

The following individual has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Executive Director of Student Support Services, Andrew Burns, andrew.burns@pueblod60.org, Title IX Coordinator/Compliance Officer for complaints. This individual can be located at 315 West 11th Street, Pueblo, Colorado 81003, (719) 549-7100. Inquiries about Title IX can be directed to Pueblo School District No. 60's Title IX Coordinator/Compliance Officer named herein; the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights of the Department of Education at {800} 421-3481, OCR@ed.gov; or both. Complaint procedures

have been established for students, parents, employees, and members of the public. (Policy AC, AC-R-1, AC-R-2, AC-E-1, AC-E-2, AC-E-3). Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre esta informacion, por favor llame a la escuela de su nino

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-1-102 (defines "resident")

C.R.S. 22-1-102.5 (defines "homeless child")

C.R.S. 22-1-115 (school age is any age overfive and under twenty-one years)

C.R.S. 22-2-409 (notification of risk)

C.R.S. 22-32-109 (1)(11) (Board duty to adopt policies requiring enrollment decisions to be made in a nondiscriminatory manner)

C.R.S. 22-32-110 (I)(k) (definition of racial or ethnic background includes hair texture, definition of protective hairstyle)

C.R.S. 22-32-115 (tuition to another school district)

C.R.S. 22-32-116 (non-resident students)

C.R.S. 22-32-138 (enrollment of students in out-of-home placements) C.R.S. 22-33-103 through 22-33-110 (school attendance Jaw)

C.R.S. 22-33-105 (2)(c) (requiring hearing to be convened if requested within 10 days after denial

of admission or expulsion)

CROSS REFS.: JEB, Entrance Age Requirements

JKD/JKE, Student Suspension/Expulsion JLCB, Immunization of Students

NOTE: For purposes of this policy, these terms have the following meanings:

"Race" includes hair texture, hair type, <u>hair length</u>, or a protective hairstyle that is commonly or historically associated with race. C.R.S. 22-32-110 (I)(I)(I).

"Protective Hairstyle" includes such hairstyles as braids, foes, twists, tight coils or curls, cornrows, bantu knots, afros, and head wraps. Id.

"Sexual Orientation" means an individual's identity, or another individual's perception thereof, in relation to the gender or genders to which the individual is sexually or emotionally attracted and the behavior or social affiliation that may result from that attraction. C.R.5. 2-4-401 (13.5) and C.R.S. 24-34-301(24).

"Gender Expression" means an individual's way of reflecting and expressing the individual's gender to the outside world, typically demonstrated through appearance, dress, and behavior. C.R.S. 2-4-401 (3.4) and C.R.S. 24-34-301(9).

"Gender Identity" means an individual's innate sense of the individual's own gender, which may or may not correspond with the individual's sex assigned at birth. C.R.S. 2-4-401 (3.5) and C.R.S. 24-34-301(10).

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