ADMISSION OF HOMELESS OR EMANCIPATED STUDENTS

As outlined in Policy 5130, all persons residing within the Wayne Central School District who are between the ages of five (5) and twenty-one (21) years and who have not received a high school diploma shall be entitled to enroll in the schools of the district.

Determination of student residency shall be made in a manner consistent with State Education Law, the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education and appropriate school district policy.

Homeless Children

A homeless child is one who lacks a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence or a child who has a primary nighttime location that is:

- (1) a supervised, publicly or privately operated shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations, including, but not limited to, shelters operated or approved by the state or local department of social services, and residential programs for runaway and homeless youth established pursuant to Article 19-H of the NYS Executive Law, or
- (2) a public or private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings

The parent or legal guardian of a homeless child, or a homeless child if no parent or legal guardian is available, or the director of a residential program for runaway and homeless youth established pursuant to Article 19-H of the NYS Executive Law, in consultation with the homeless child, where such homeless child is living in such program, may designate one of the following as the district the homeless child shall attend

- (1) the school district of current location, or
- (2) the school district of last attendance, or
- (3) a school district participating in a regional plan

Emancipated Minors

A determination of whether a student is designated as an emancipated minor in the Wayne Central School District will be based on evidence that the student is no longer under custody, control and support of his or her parents. To establish emancipation, a minor may submit documentation of his or her means of support, proof of residence and an explanation of the circumstances surrounding his or her emancipation, including a description of his or her relationship with their parents. (See Exhibits 5151-E-1, E-2, E-3)

These statements are valid for a single school year, or portion of a school year, and must be renewed each school year. If at any time the above information changes without prompt notification or is proven as false, the parent or legal guardian and/or student may be subject to legal action.

References: Education Law § 2045, 3202 3205, 3212 (4) 8 NYCRR, §100.2 (x) and (y)

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LABELS FOR EXHIBITS

Exhibit 5151-E-1

Exhibit 5151 E-2

Exhibit 5151 E-3