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**ASSIGNMENT OF STUDENTS TO SCHOOLS**

Generally, students will be required to attend school in the atten­dance area in which they reside, unless the Superintendent has granted special permission.

Special permission may be granted for the following reasons:

1. If the change involves a hardship case or if there are medical considerations.

2. If the change appears to be in the interests of the child, of the schools, or for disciplinary and administrative reasons.

3. If the legal residence of a child changes from one attendance area to another during the school year and the parents/guardians wish the child to remain in his former school; permission will not extend beyond the current school year.

4. To permit school students to take courses not offered in their assigned schools.

School bus transportation will not be provided for students attend­ing schools outside their attendance area unless they can be accom­modated on existing bus routes and schedules or a hardship is involved; or unless specific permission is granted by the Superintendent.

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