

Somerset Berkley Regional School District

Student Residency Requirements

6131.1 Students who attend the Somerset Berkley Regional High School must be residents of Somerset or Berkley, unless enrolled under school committee policies for Special Education Programs with Low Enrollment, School Choice or Foreign Exchange Program. Three (3) documents to prove residency are required.

6131.2 In order to register a child for school, all applicants must submit at least one document from each of the columns below (document must be current within 60 days.) The documents must be pre-printed with the name and address of the student's parent or guardian. **These documents also are required for any change of address.** These documents also may be required by the Superintendent or principal when the residence of an individual student is in question.

| Column A | Column B | Column C |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Deed & record of most recent mortgage payment | A utility bill or work order dated within 30 days from one of the following: | <input type="checkbox"/> Valid MA driver's license |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of lease agreement & most recent rent payment | | <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Company |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Notarized affidavit from landlord affirming tenancy & record of most recent rent payment | <input type="checkbox"/> Oil Company <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Company <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone Company <input type="checkbox"/> Cable Company <input type="checkbox"/> Water Company | <input type="checkbox"/> Current vehicle registration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Section 8 Agreement | | <input type="checkbox"/> Valid MA photo ID |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> W-2 form |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Excise tax bill |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Property bill |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll stub |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Bank/credit card |

6131.3 Students coming into the Somerset Berkley Regional High School (SBRHS) and requesting to begin in the school system before they actually reside in Somerset or Berkley should be allowed to attend tuition free until the last day of the first quarter, providing the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) have a signed purchase/sales agreement. Follow up with the required documentation listed above within 60 days of the start of school is required to ensure the closing on the home took place.

A determination that a student is ineligible to attend SBRHS due to a failure to reside in the Towns of Somerset or Berkley, or who is not enrolled as a school choice student, or who is not attending SBRHS in a Special Education with Low Enrollment will result in dismissal from SBRHS.

Students wishing to stay in SBRHS through the end of the school year after moving out of Somerset or Berkley after the first day of the fourth quarter will be allowed to attend through the last day of that school year. Students who begin the school year attending SBRHS as residents of either Somerset or Berkley and who move out of Somerset or Berkley after October 1st but before the start of the fourth quarter may be allowed to apply through school choice subject to availability and school choice regulations compliance. No non-resident student will be allowed to remain at the high school after the end of the school year during which the student becomes a non-resident unless they attend SBRHS as a school choice student; if a school choice slot is available.

6131.4 Requests for the above exceptions should be submitted in writing to the Superintendent, and additional documentation of residency may be required.

6131.5 The Superintendent or designee may require completion of a Certificate of Residency (attached.)

6131.6 NOTE: Requests from parents or guardians of twelfth-grade students for situations other than listed above will be decided individually by the School Committee with a recommendation by the Superintendent.

Approved by the Somerset Berkley Regional School Committee November 19, 2015